

S2 SPORTING FIELDS

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	Clause 16 – changed title of responsible officer

OBJECTIVES

- 1 To promote greater access and efficiency for use of Council sportsgrounds.
- 2 To implement a “user pay” fee and charges structure for Council sportsgrounds. The charges are aimed at recovering a percentage of the total sportsgrounds maintenance costs as fixed by Council.

REQUIREMENTS

Seasons

Council operates a six month season for summer and winter sports with summer being from the first full weekend in October to the last full weekend in March and winter being from the first full weekend in April to the last full weekend in September.

Priority of Use

Organisations that have approved bookings under the seasonal system have priority over casual bookings at all times.

Conditions of Use

- 1 The hirer must leave sportsgrounds including amenities in a clean and tidy condition upon completion of activities immediately after each usage. The cost to restore any damage to a sportsground or any facilities as a result of activities is to be borne by the hirer.
- 2 Council requires a copy of the hirer's public liability insurance policy and certificate of currency (minimum \$10,000,000 cover or as set from time to time by Council) one (1) week prior to the commencement of the season.
- 3 Activities are to cease at 9.30 pm unless other time is approved.
- 4 Noise levels are to meet Environmental Protection Authority requirements.

- 5 Provision, emptying and removal of extra litter bins is the responsibility of the hirer. Council will supply a minimum number of litter bins only.
- 6 No mechanical amusements are to be erected on the sportsground without Council approval.
- 7 Schools, colleges or groups of children using the reserve must be under the direct supervision of a responsible person whilst utilising the reserve.
- 8 No glass bottles are permitted onto Council sportsgrounds at any time.
- 9 Authorised employees of Council shall have the right to direct the attention of the hirer to any breach of any of these conditions and require compliance therewith.
- 10 Sale of food and drinks must comply with the requirements of Council. A separate application is required to be submitted and approved for this activity other than in a canteen provided by Council at the sportsgrounds.
- 11 The hirer must obtain approval from Council and the Licensing Authority for the sale of liquor on Council sportsgrounds.
- 12 Equipment brought onto the sportsground must be removed from the ground on the same day or the next normal working day.
- 13 Fires may not be lit on sportsgrounds.
- 14 The hirer has no authority to sub-let any part of the sportsground.
- 15 Advertising signs require the approval of Council and will be in accordance with the relevant Code.
- 16 Motor vehicles are not permitted on sports grounds unless specifically authorised by Council's Manager, Open Space and Recreation.
- 17 Modifications or alterations to any facility on the sportsground will not be permitted without approval of the Manager, Open Space and Recreation.
- 18 Keys are provided to the hirer of a sportsground on payment of a deposit which may be forfeited if the keys are lost or damaged.

Wet Weather Closures

During periods of wet weather, the relevant sporting association shall be given the responsibility to close the sportsground for weekend competition where the grounds are likely to be damaged if played upon. For training and competition purposes from Monday to Friday, and pre-season trial games, Council will determine wet weather closures.

For wet weather on weekend or public holiday competition days, it is expected that the Association/Club will accept responsibility for any damage caused to the sportsground.

GOODS AND SERVICES TAX

Where any charge, fee, supply of products or services under this policy is subject to a goods and services tax (GST), an amount equal to the GST paid or payable in respect of the charge, fee, supply of products or services, shall be included in the amount of consideration paid or payable under this policy.

LEGISLATION: LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1993 - SECTION 36F
DEPARTMENT: SHIRE SERVICES