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# Health and Safety Policy



## Commitment to Te Tiriti o Waitangi

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recognises Te Tiriti o Waitangi as Aotearoa New Zealand's founding document.

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is committed to upholding the mana of Te Tiriti o Waitangi and the principles of Partnership, Protection and Participation.

## Values

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is committed to providing a safe and healthy environment for everyone on its premises. People should be protected against harm as far as possible, and health and safety hazards should be identified and addressed quickly and thoroughly.

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believes maintaining a safe and healthy environment is everyone's responsibility, though it acknowledges everyone will have different roles and responsibilities.

## Purpose

This policy aims to:

- support an environment at

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that is safe and healthy

- provide a process for proactively identifying, reducing and eliminating hazards and risks to health and safety at

## Application

This policy applies to anyone involved in

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This includes: volunteers, participants, supporters, club members, employees, service providers, and families/whānau of participants.

## Appointment of Health and Safety Officer

At least one member of

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is to be appointed as a Health and Safety Officer. The Health and Safety Officer is responsible for:

- updating and maintaining the Hazard Identification Register
- maintaining the Visitor Register
- completing Incident Reporting Form
- undertaking a dedicated three-monthly hazard identification process, including:
  - physical inspections of the premises, equipment, and practices
  - analysis of tasks and how they are carried out by employees/volunteers
  - analysis of processes carried out on the premises
  - analysis of previous 'near miss' incidents.
- reporting to the Committee/Board on identified hazards, incidents and near misses
- overseeing the implementation and management of this Health and Safety Policy.

## Health and safety responsibilities

### Everyone

Everyone will:

- take reasonable care of their own health and safety
- take reasonable care to ensure their actions or inactions do not affect the health and safety of others
- share the responsibility equally, by identifying and reporting hazards, near misses and incidents using the Hazard Identification Register and Incident Reporting Form to the Health and Safety Officer
- join in relevant health and safety training as required
- follow this Health and Safety Policy.
- Follow any Pandemic regulations such as COVID-19 as and where applicable.

## Committee/Board

The Committee/Board will:

- provide and maintain a safe and healthy environment at
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- including making sure

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Rodney District Sports & Community Association premises, equipment and activities meet appropriate health and safety standards

- appoint at least one Health and Safety Officer
- make health and safety a permanent agenda item at all meetings
- ensure employees, volunteers and contractors use safe ways of working
- provide all information, training and supervision required to minimise health and safety risks
- address identified hazards and actions required from reported incidents/near misses
- provide specific opportunities for employees/volunteers to raise health and safety issues and suggest areas for improving

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health and safety processes.

## Employees/volunteers

Employees/volunteers will:

- prioritise health and safety in everything they do
- supervise the children/young people in their care
- make sure they understand what good health and safety practices look like in the context of the activity/sport.

## Contractors

Contractors will:

- comply with all regulations, and codes of practice applying to their trade or profession
- advise the Health and Safety Officer of all hazardous equipment, machinery or substances that are brought onto

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premises

- record any incident or near miss on the Incident Reporting Form and provide it to the Health and Safety Officer
- use all safety clothing/equipment required to minimise the risk of injury to themselves and others.

## Visitors

Visitors will:

- fill in the Visitor Register when entering

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premises

- supervise their children, as and when required.

## Emergency procedures

Given the location of Rodney District Sports & Community Association home is at Metro Park, Silverdale, tsunamis are a potential risk. In the event of a Tsunami alert, proceed immediately to higher ground.

In the event of any other emergency, where necessary, contact 111, and request Police, Ambulance or Fire Brigade depending on the nature of the emergency.

All other emergencies should follow Civil Emergency instructions and procedures.

## Reporting a breach

Individuals who wish to report an alleged breach of this policy should follow the complaints procedure outlined in the Complaints Policy and Procedure.



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