

Marlborough Stadium Trust : Supervision Policy

This Policy works in conjunction with existing Health and Safety Policy which outlines:

Marlborough Lines Stadium 2000 is committed to providing a safe, healthy and secure working environment for our workers, tenants, contractors, users and visitors, to ensure that everyone goes home safe and well every day.

To achieve this, we will:

Ensure our activities comply with all relevant legislation, regulations, codes of practice, and Industry standards to mitigate where possible and proactively prevent injury or accidents occurring within our facility and/or grounds.

RATIONALE

Parents and caregivers need to assess the risks associated with their child being at the Stadium 2000 facility and its grounds unsupervised and make sure that their child is safe and not in danger. New Zealand Law states that you cannot leave children under 14 without making reasonable provisions for their care and supervision. What is considered reasonable takes into account the circumstances in which children are left alone and the length of time they are alone.

POLICY

Aquatics

Children 9 years and under must be accompanied by a responsible supervisor over the age of 16 years. If in any doubt, customer service staff should check on arrival and decline entry if unsure. Regular poolside checks should also occur.

Stadium 2000 promotes a common-sense interpretation to caregivers of children under 5 years, this includes being in the pool with the child "within sight: within reach". This approach is reinforced by giving free entry to the caregiver. This should be reinforced poolside by regularly asking children where their caregiver is.

A ratio of five children with one caregiver is to be monitored with discretion. An adult can have up to five children 9 years and under in their care, including no more than two pre-schoolers (under 5).

All children 9 years and under in a swim school lesson must have a parent/caregiver present for the duration of the lesson.

Arena and Events

It is the responsibility of the hirer to ensure participants and spectators are adhering to Stadium 2000 health and safety protocols. This includes ensuring correct supervision of children 9 years and under by an adult 16 years and older. Behaviour of spectators and participants must be monitored to ensure they are acting in a way that will not cause harm to themselves or others nor damage Stadium 2000 property or equipment.

Unaccompanied Children 9 years and under

Unaccompanied children 9 years and under found in the facility or its grounds shall be taken to reception where every effort is made to locate or contact the child's caregiver before referring the incident to Police.

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