



Macquarie United Football Club Inc

RISK MANAGEMENT POLICY

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PREFACE

Risk management is the course of action we take to reduce potential legal liability. It seeks to address potential problems before they occur.

Risk management aims to be pro-active rather than reactive - creating a safer environment and legally safer operational procedures.

Through this policy MUFC aim to address the key issues facing all organizations who provide goods and services to the general public. A major factor contributing to most incidents and accidents is the fact that people are generally unaware of what potential risks are, how to identify them, how to manage and control them and the consequences if something were to go wrong

By increasing awareness of how risk management can benefit all our club members and their families MUFC will continue to be a safe and successful sporting club.

Andrew Speed
President
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Risk Management

Risk management is not a program in isolation. It is an ongoing process that is applied to all MUFC's policies and procedures. It is a principle that is applied to all our activities to ensure the safety and welfare of all our players, coaches and managers, club officials, spectators and others.

To assist our club members understanding of risk management a list of the benefits and potential risks associated with our sport are listed below.

Benefits of Risk Management

Improved safety for participants, officials, spectators and volunteers

Lower costs and increased budget certainty

More effective management of assets, events, programs and activities

Improved compliance with the law, regulations and other formal requirements

Enhanced image and reputation.

Better sporting or recreational outcomes

Risks facing sport and recreation organizations

The inherent nature of sport and recreation means that risk areas are broad. Some general risks that MUFC identify and manage include:

Unsafe equipment and facilities

Inadequate or inappropriate insurance

The club is not incorporated

The club does not require participants to provide medical certificates for health conditions

Children are not adequately supervised by a qualified person

Coaches and are not suitably trained or qualified for their role

Policies and procedures are not easily accessed by all club members

To address these issues MUFC provide resources and support to all our club members to assist them in their education regarding Risk Management.

Some of these resources are club property such as DVDs and can be acquired through the property officer. Others may be websites, club policies or external independent documents.

MUFC web site can be found at www.macquarieunited.com.au

MUFC strongly urge you to review these resources and use them as necessary to ensure you and those around you are free from the risks associated with our sport.