

# SWERVE SOCCER HEALTH & SAFETY POLICY

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Swerve Soccer is committed to a safe environment for all players, coaches and volunteers.

It will promote standards of health, safety and welfare within football and will ensure compliance with all relevant statutory provisions. Swerve Soccer will ensure that suitable and sufficient risk assessments are carried out, that procedures and safe systems are implemented in accordance with all current statutory provisions and that all reasonable and practical measures are taken to avoid risk. Safe practices will be adopted and continuous improvement will be sought through regular audits and reviews. Appropriate instruction and training will be provided together with adequate resources to ensure that the successful management of health and safety is carried out within services and that this policy is collectively implemented.

This policy together with arrangements and procedures will be reviewed regularly and revised and updated as necessary. To support our Health & Safety policy statement we are committed to the following duties:

- Undertake regular, recorded risk assessment of the premises and all activities undertaken by Swerve Soccer.
- Create a safe environment by putting health & safety measures in place as identified by the assessment
- Ensure that all members are given the appropriate level of training and competition by regularly assessing individual ability dependent on age, maturity and development
- Ensure that all members are aware of, understand and follow the club's health & safety policy
- Ensure that normal operating procedures and emergency operating procedures are in place and known by all members
- Provide access to adequate first aid facilities, telephone and qualified first-aider at all times
- Report any injuries or accidents sustained during any club activity or whilst on the club premises
- Ensure that the implementation of the policy is reviewed regularly and monitored for effectiveness.
- Developing and implementing policies and procedures for managing injuries, including the appropriate use of first aid kits and the reporting of injuries to appropriate authorities.

## **Every staff member must:**

- Take reasonable care for your own health & safety and that of others who may be affected by what you do or do not do
- Cooperate with the club on health & safety issues
- Correctly use all equipment provided by the club
- Not interfere with or misuse anything provided for your health, safety or welfare.
- Encouraging participants to report any concerns or issues related to health and safety.



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- Provide a safe and healthy environment for participants, including maintaining safe and well-maintained facilities and equipment.
- Report incidents or accidents that occur at Swerve Soccer

## **Facilities and Equipment:**

- Our facilities and equipment are inspected and maintained to ensure that they are in good condition and safe to use.
- Any defects or problems with facilities or equipment will be promptly addressed and repaired.
- We have sufficient and appropriate first aid kits on site, and all staff and volunteers are trained in their use.

## **Activities:**

- All activities at Swerve Soccer are planned and supervised by trained and qualified staff.
- We have established rules for safe play and the appropriate use of equipment to minimise the risk of injury.
- In the event of an injury, our staff are trained in first aid and will provide appropriate care. Any serious injuries will be immediately reported to the appropriate authorities and the participant's parent or guardian will be notified.

## **Incident and Accident Reporting:**

- It is important that all incidents and accidents are promptly reported and recorded to allow us to identify any potential issues and take appropriate action.
- Staff and volunteers are required to report any incidents or accidents to their supervisor as soon as possible.
- Parents and guardians should also report any incidents or accidents involving their child to Swerve Soccer staff.
- Any injuries sustained at Swerve Soccer's programme will be recorded in the online accident report form. Swerve Director(s) and the players parent/guardian will also be informed as soon as possible.

## **Emergency Procedures**

- All staff and volunteers are trained in emergency procedures, including how to use first aid kits and how to evacuate the facility in the event of a fire or other emergency.

## **Health and Safety Training:**

- This training includes instruction on emergency procedures, first aid, and the appropriate use of facilities and equipment.

## **Participant Responsibility:**

- We expect all participants at Swerve Soccer to follow the rules and guidelines established to ensure the safety and well-being of everyone involved.
- Participants should report any concerns or issues related to health and safety to a staff member as soon as possible.

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## **Conclusion:**

Swerve Soccer committed to providing a safe and healthy environment for all participants. By following the policies and procedures outlined in this document, we can work together to ensure that everyone has a positive and enjoyable experience. We encourage all staff, volunteers, and participants to play an active role in promoting health and safety at Swerve Soccer.

**First aid Location of first aid facilities:** First aid bag should be carried by coaches to all programmes.

**Location of telephones:** Mobile telephones should be carried by all staff members.