



POLICY

NSW BOCCIA

HEALTH & SAFETY POLICY FRAMEWORK

1. Framework Statement

Boccia NSW (BNSW) is committed to the development, implementation and enforcement of appropriate standards of Health & Safety for all those who actively participate in Social, Club and State Title Competition in New South Wales.

We commit ourselves to protect the health & safety wherever feasibly possible of all those who participate either as a player or in any other capacity.

We will take necessary measures to protect the health & safety of those participating in the above mentioned forms of activity.

BNSW recognises that this cannot be achieved in isolation as health & safety is a collaborative effort between BNSW, Contracted Organisers and Participants who each have very specific responsibilities to be adhered to and actively executed.

We acknowledge that some of the responsibilities may be detailed in other policy documents and are subject to regular review by the BNSW Health & Safety Subcommittee and ultimately by the Management Committee.

Specific policies will be developed for each of the above mentioned forms of activity (activities) but in the meantime the summary policies are shown below.

2. Specific Responsibilities

2.1 Boccia NSW

- To ensure the appropriate policy and procedure documents are in place, are regularly reviewed and updated to administer reasonable health & safety direction and oversight,
- To ensure appropriate guidance is provided in relation to health & safety standards to all participants involved in the activities,
- To ensure possible breaches of health & safety standards are responded to promptly and addressed without delay,

- To ensure the collation, retention and provision of appropriate health & safety resources and materials to all participants involved in the activities,
- To ensure an organisational culture of active awareness and continuous improvement in relation to health & safety standards and appropriate practice for all participants involved in the activities.
- To ensure an awareness by all concerned of any relevant Public Health Orders that may be in place, particularly those pertaining to infectious diseases.
- To ensure compliance with any guidelines set by Boccia Australia and BNSW in regard to extremes of temperature.

2.2 Contracted Organisers

- To assume liability for Health and Safety, and compliance by their staff with all relevant Public Health Orders that may be in place.
- To ensure the adherence to the terms and conditions specified in the written agreement between themselves and Boccia NSW,
- To ensure the compliance with the proscribed health & safety policy operating framework agreed to between themselves and Boccia NSW,
- To ensure a willingness exists to be able to both provide and receive constructive feedback between themselves and Boccia NSW,
- To ensure there exists a designated official organiser directly responsible for the provision of health & safety services at the competition itself.
- To ensure compliance with any guidelines set by Boccia Australia and BNSW in regard to extremes of temperature.

2.3 Participants

- To ensure adherence to all Boccia NSW health & safety policy and procedure documents for the activities,
- To ensure their compliance with the proscribed health & safety policy operating framework in all activities,
- To ensure their involvement in an organisational culture of active awareness and continuous improvement in relation to health & safety standards and best practice for all activities,

- To ensure a willingness to take charge of their own personal health & safety needs wherever feasibly possible and appropriate for activities,
- To ensure their willingness to actively report any possible breaches of health & safety standards promptly and without delay to Boccia NSW.
- To exclude themselves from boccia activities if a Health & Safety representative of Boccia NSW believes in their absolute discretion, that if the participant decides not to exclude themselves could endanger the health and safety of others.
- To be aware of, and comply with, all relevant Public Health Orders that may be in force at the time.

2.4 Club Managers

- Club managers to implement, monitor and enforce Boccia NSW Health and Safety Policies.

DISCLAIMER: This policy will be reviewed by the Committee on an annual basis. A copy will be posted on the Boccia NSW website. Any complaints about this policy should be made in writing to the Committee, and will be considered at the next Committee meeting.

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