



CANTERBURY RUGBY LEAGUE CLUB SAFETY PLAN 2024

One of the objectives for CRL in conjunction with the clubs, is to provide a safe, healthy, and enjoyable experience for our community at all levels of the game. Safety is the first step towards what we believe is a brighter future for rugby league in Canterbury.

ALL GAMES IN WOMEN'S & MEN'S GRADES (INCLUDING PRESIDENTS)

Field Expectations -

1. The field is to be roped fully to a minimum of 2m from the dead ball line, 3m where possible and a minimum of 5m from the side-line. It is understood by CRL that at some grounds the minimums will be difficult to achieve however the expectation is that those clubs will do their utmost to ensure that ropes are placed back as far as practically possible.
2. Both teams substitute boxes are to be on the same side of the field either side of the halfway line.
3. Both teams benches should be as far back to the ropes as possible.
4. Goal post pads, flags, and field markings are in place.

Team Officials -

1. **All** team officials and substitutes are to wear a vest identifying them as eligible to be within the team designated area. Failure to wear the vest will result in that person being removed from the area.
2. Team officials i.e., coaches, managers, trainers, subs to remain within the designated team area and not wander the side-line. Trainers to enter the field from and return directly to the designated area. **There is to be a maximum of 10 in the designated area i.e., 4 players, Coach, Team Manager, Assistant Coach, Trainers x3**. If your team is not following this rule, the first person being asked to leave the roped area will be the Head Coach.

Be A Sport -

1. All clubs are to adhere to the NZRL Be a Sport programme. They must be placed on opposite sides of the field to wander among the spectators to ensure no alcohol, drugs or offensive behaviour is being used.

Alcohol Restrictions -

1. All Coaches, Managers, Trainers, Players, Team Officials, Club Executives, Club Volunteers, and Club Members must comply with the Alcohol Liquor Bylaws as directed by local council. Any person(s) breaching these Bylaws may be referred to the Disciplinary and Judicial process and/or incur a fine as set by CRL or the Disciplinary / Judicial Committee.
2. This policy applies to all Canterbury Rugby League Clubs utilising Christchurch City Council parks and grounds, their players, members, and spectators.
3. Alcohol Ban Bylaw Christchurch City Council (CCC) grounds. Reference CNCL/2020/00029 – 12 March 2020.

ALL GAMES (WHERE PROVIDED) IN WOMEN'S AND PREMIER MEN'S & PREMIER RESERVES MEN'S GRADES (INCLUDING PRESIDENTS)

Match Manager -

1. The match manager and the match officials are to meet prior to kick off to ensure that all the above criteria have been met and sign off on it.
2. Match manager and match officials to meet at the end of the match to discuss any issues. Any issues are to be reported in writing via email to CRL.
3. Should games be played at a neutral grounds CRL will advise as to who is responsible to ensuring criteria is met.