

SAFETY STATEMENT - TEMPLATE

SECTION 20

SAFETY, HEALTH AND WELFARE AT WORK ACT 2005

CLUB NAME: _____ ADDRESS: _____

This Safety Statement is our programme in writing to manage health and safety. It is aimed at protecting our employees from accidents and ill-health while at work. We will provide a safe place of work for our employees and those affected by our work and will provide any guards, protective equipment, information, training and supervision necessary to protect our employees. This Safety Statement is available to employees. We will update it as necessary and review it at least once a year.

EMERGENCY CONTACTS

Chairman: _____ Doctor: _____ Ambulance: _____

Secretary: _____ Gardai: _____ Other: _____

GENERAL PRINCIPLES OF PREVENTION – THIRD SCHEDULE

The _____ Club will comply with Schedule 3 of the Safety, Health and Welfare at Work Act 2005 by:

- (1) The avoidance of risks.
- (2) The evaluation of unavoidable risks.
- (3) The combating of risks at source.
- (4) The adaptation of work to the individual, especially as regards the design of the _____ (Club) place of work, the choice of work equipment and the choice of systems of work, with a view, in particular, to alleviating monotonous work and work at a predetermined work rate and to reducing the effect of this work on health.
- (5) The adaptation of the place of work to technical progress.
- (6) The replacement of dangerous articles, substances or systems of work by safe or less dangerous articles, substances or systems of work.
- (7) The giving of priority to collective protective measures over individual protective measures.
- (8) The development of an adequate prevention policy in relation to safety, health and welfare at work, which takes account of technology, organisation of work, working conditions, social factors and the influence of factors related to the working environment.
- (9) The giving of appropriate training and instructions to employees.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

The Club shall identify the hazards in the place of work under its control. Each identified hazard shall then be assessed in terms of the risk of injury occurring. Following the identification of the hazards and assessment of the risks associated with the hazards adequate control measures must be identified.

The following is an accepted method of classifying the risk which the identified hazard may present.

HIGH = e.g. Risk of Death, Amputation, Fall from Heights

MEDIUM = e.g. Back Injury, Temporary Incapacitation

LOW = e.g. Slips, Trips and Falls

The following proforma is deemed a suitable method for developing the hazard identification and risk assessment section.

IDENTIFIED HAZARD	RISK ASSESSED	CONTROL MEASURES
Grass Cutting Machinery	High	Competent person to operate machinery at all times. All moving parts including P.T.O. and blades to be fully guarded at all times.
Electricity	Medium	RECI qualified electricians to routinely check the integrity of the electrical installation including sockets, light fittings and cabling.
Permanent Goal Posts	Low	Routinely inspect for damage and repair as necessary.

IDENTIFIED HAZARD	RISK ASSESSED	CONTROL MEASURES
Ride On Mower	High	All moving parts to be fully guarded Including cutters
Floodlights	Low	Safe means of access such as M.E.W.P. to be used to work on lights to top of light standards – M.E.W.P. to be used only if tested & examined and operated by a trained person with a FAS Safe Pass.
Teleporters	Medium	To be operated only by a FAS approved operator.
Scoreboard	Low	Keep existing platform clean and tidy
Spoilheap	Low	Provide temporary fence around Spoilheap.
Parking Area	Low	Maintain in clean and tidy condition
Goalposts	Low	Routinely inspect for damage & repair as necessary
Fencing to Pitch	Low	Routinely inspect & maintain as is
Gates	Low	Routinely check hinges & mountings for damage.
Ladders	Medium	Use only aluminium ladders in good condition – hold ladder at bottom - never use a ladder alone.
Strimmer	Medium	P.P.E. incl. eye protection, ear Protection to be worn by operative
Electricity	Medium	R.E.C.I. qualified electricians to routinely check the integrity of electrical installation incl. sockets light fittings & cabling both in Clubhouse and externally in grounds. ELCB's fitted to all socket outlets to be regularly tested.
Overhead ESB Lines	No risk here	
Head Protection	Low	Safety helmets to be provided & worn for any construction activity – none at present.
Eye Protection	Low	Safety glasses to be worn provided & worn for chipping, cutting of hedges or driving nails or strimming.
Hearing Protection	Low	Ear defenders to be provided for operating mower if R/A determines 85 DBA noise level.
Scaffolding	Low-Not Applicable	To be erected only by a FAS certified scaffolder.
200 Zoonotic Disease/ Infection Control	Low	Suitable protective gloves to be provided for refuse disposal & manual work around hedgerows.

