

Conditions of Hire

Northern Suburbs District Cricket Club

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APPLIES TO

Grounds · nets · pavilion

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PLEASE READ FIRST

This is a sample document prepared for review, not the club's adopted Conditions of Hire. It describes how ground hire actually works in the booking system today, and is intended as a working draft for NSDCC to amend and adopt. Until it is adopted, the terms that apply to your booking are the ones the club confirms with you in writing.

1 Parties and definitions

These Conditions of Hire apply to every booking of the Club's grounds, nets and pavilion. In them:

the Club	Northern Suburbs District Cricket Club (NSDCC), of Shaw Park, 128 Shaw Road, Kedron QLD 4031.
the Hirer	the person or organisation named on the booking request, together with anyone the Hirer brings onto the grounds — players, officials, contractors, spectators and guests.
the Facilities	the three turf ovals (Allan Pettigrew, Geoff Dymock and Ian Healy), the turf practice nets, and the pavilion and its change rooms. Each oval is hired either as Centre Wicket + Outfield or as Outfield only; the nets are hired by the lane; the pavilion is hired whole or by change room.
a Booking	a single facility, in a single mode, on a single date, for a stated start and finish time. A season of Thursdays is a set of bookings, and the Club approves or declines each one on its own.
a Hold	the period during which requested dates are reserved for the Hirer while the Club considers them. A hold is not an approval.
the Curator	the Club's grounds staff, and anyone acting on their behalf, in matters concerning the playing surface.

2 Booking, invoicing and payment

- 2.1 Requests are made online.** The Club's availability calendar shows what is free. A request may cover one date or a whole season, and the Hirer is asked for a contact, an organisation, a hirer type and the purpose of the hire.
- 2.2 Your dates are held immediately.** On submission, every requested date that does not clash with an existing booking is held for the Hirer for five business days. If a date is already taken the Club says so at the time and holds the rest. A hold reserves a date; it does not approve it, and no charge arises from it.
- 2.3 If a hold lapses, the dates are released.** The Club emails a reminder before a hold expires. Once it lapses the dates return to the calendar and may be requested again by anyone, including the Hirer.
- 2.4 Approval is date by date.** The Club approves or declines each date separately, so one clash never costs a whole season. Declined dates carry the Club's reason. A booking exists only once the Club has approved that date in writing.
- 2.5 Rates are ex GST.** Rates depend on the hirer type and are published on the Club's How hiring works page. Rates shown as indicative are confirmed when the Club approves the booking. Where a combination is not on the rate card, pricing is confirmed on approval.

- 2.6 Lights are charged separately.** Where a booking uses the ovals' or nets' lighting, the lighting charge is added to the hire charge for that date and shown as its own line.
- 2.7 Invoices follow approval.** The Club issues one tax invoice covering the dates approved in a decision. Payment is due 30 days from the invoice date. The club's ABN and bank details are printed on your invoice. Please quote the invoice number as the payment reference.
- 2.8 Changes are re-quoted.** A change to a facility, mode, date or time is a change to the booking, and is re-priced on the same rate basis. The Club may agree a rate other than the published one; where it does, the agreed rate is recorded against the booking and printed on the invoice.

Every rate the Club quotes is exclusive of GST. Your invoice shows the amount ex GST, then GST at 10% as its own line, and then the total including GST.

Subtotal ex GST + GST 10% = Total inc GST — the amount payable.

3 Cancellation, wet weather and ground closures

- 3.1 Cancellation by the Hirer.** Please tell the Club as early as you can. Dates cancelled more than 14 days before the booking are not charged. Inside 14 days the Club may charge the hire fee for the date, and will discuss it with the Hirer before doing so.
- 3.2 Closure by the Club.** The Club may close a ground when the surface is unfit or unsafe to play on, or when weather, works or a safety risk requires it. Closing a ground cancels the bookings for that ground only — bookings for the other ovals, the nets and the pavilion are unaffected.
- 3.3 Nothing is owed on a date the Club closes.** If the date had not been invoiced, there is nothing to pay and nothing to refund. If it had been invoiced, the Club issues a credit note for the cancelled date; nothing is owed on it, and the Club will apply the credit to the Hirer's account or refund it, whichever the Hirer prefers.
- 3.4 The Club tells you what happened, and why.** A closure email names the dates affected and gives the Curator's reason in the Curator's own words. The Club will offer an alternative date where one exists, but is not obliged to find a replacement.
- 3.5 The decision is the Curator's.** Whether a surface is fit to play on is a judgement about the Club's turf, and it rests with the Curator. It may be made at short notice, including on the morning of a booking.

4 Certificate of currency (public liability)

The Club asks every hirer other than a school for evidence of public liability insurance, and keeps it on file.

- 4.1 What we need.** A current certificate of currency showing \$20 million public liability cover, with NSDCC listed as an interested party.
- 4.2 When to send it.** With the request, or after it — whichever suits. The certificate can be attached to the booking request, uploaded from the link in the Club's email, or simply replied back to the Club as an attachment.
- 4.3 It does not hold up your booking.** The Club will remind the Hirer if nothing is on file, or if a certificate is due to expire before dates the Hirer has booked. A reminder is a request, not a condition: the dates stay held, approvals are not withdrawn, and the booking is not affected.
- 4.4 Renewals.** Where booked dates fall after a certificate expires, the Club asks for the replacement when it is issued and swaps it over on file.
- 4.5 Schools.** School bookings are covered by the school's own arrangements and no certificate is requested.

5 Ground rules and the Curator's authority

The grounds are turf, maintained all year for a season of cricket. These rules exist to protect the surface and to keep everyone on it safe.

- 5.1 The square is out of bounds.** Unless the booking is for Centre Wicket + Outfield, nobody goes onto the centre wicket square. Outfield-only hire means the outfield. Practice, warm-ups, marker cones and equipment stay off the square in every case.
- 5.2 Footwear.** No metal spikes on the square except for cricket, and none at all in the pavilion or change rooms.
- 5.3 Vehicles.** No vehicles on the playing surface without the Curator's agreement. Vehicles are parked in the car park off the Shaw Road entrance.
- 5.4 Equipment and marking.** Pegs, stakes, temporary structures, line marking and anything driven into the ground need the Curator's agreement first. Drones and any aerial work need the Club's written agreement and the operator's own approvals.
- 5.5 Lights.** Lighting is operated by the Club or the Curator, not by the Hirer, and runs to the finish time on the booking.
- 5.6 Access and keys.** Access to the pavilion and change rooms is arranged with the Club for the booked window. The Hirer does not give access to anyone outside the booking.
- 5.7 Leave it as you found it.** Rubbish goes in the bins, equipment goes away, and the facility is left clean at the finish time. The Club may charge cleaning at cost where it is not.
- 5.8 Alcohol, smoking and food.** No alcohol except under the Club's own licence and with the Club's agreement. The grounds and pavilion are smoke-free and vape-free. Catering in the pavilion is arranged with the Club.
- 5.9 The Curator may stop or move play.** The Curator may suspend play, close part of a ground, or direct people off a surface at any time to protect the turf or the safety of those on it. The Club will explain the decision, and clause 3 governs what it means for the charge.
- 5.10 Club use and renovation.** The Club reserves the right to close a facility for wicket renovation and other maintenance. Renovation periods are published on the availability calendar and are not bookable; where renovation affects only the square, the outfield may remain open.

6 Indemnity, conduct and damage

- 6.1 The Hirer is responsible for its people.** The Hirer is responsible for the conduct and safety of everyone it brings onto the grounds, and for supervising them for the whole of the booked period.
- 6.2 Indemnity.** The Hirer uses the Facilities at its own risk and indemnifies the Club against claims, loss, damage and costs arising from the Hirer's use of them, except to the extent the Club caused the loss.
- 6.3 Damage.** Damage beyond fair wear and tear is made good at the Hirer's cost. The Club tells the Hirer what was damaged and what it cost to repair before invoicing it.
- 6.4 Personal property.** The Club does not accept responsibility for property left at the grounds.
- 6.5 Conduct.** The Club expects the standards of behaviour ordinary in community sport, and applies its own member protection and child-safety commitments to everyone on the grounds. The Club may end a booking in progress, or decline future requests, where behaviour warrants it.
- 6.6 Subletting.** A booking is for the Hirer named on it. It is not transferred or sublet to anyone else without the Club's agreement.
- 6.7 Accepting these conditions.** Sending a booking request accepts the version of these Conditions of Hire current at that time. The Club records which version was accepted, and when.

QUESTIONS ABOUT THESE CONDITIONS

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