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MEETING: LICENSING AND REGULATORY (URGENT REFERRALS)
COMMITTEE

DATE: 30th November 2022

TIME: 11.00 am

VENUE: Committee Room - Bootle Town Hall, Trinity Road, Bootle, L20 7AE

Member

Substitute

Cllr. John Kelly (Chair)
Cllr. Mike Morris M.B.E.
Cllr. Carran Waterfield

Cllr. Susan Bradshaw
Cllr. Joe Riley
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1. Apologies for Absence

2. Declarations of Interest

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Report of the Chief Planning Officer

THIS SET OF MINUTES IS NOT SUBJECT TO "CALL-IN"

LICENSING AND REGULATORY (URGENT REFERRALS) COMMITTEE

MEETING HELD AT THE BAR LOUNGE - TOWN HALL, BOOTLE ON MONDAY 27TH JUNE, 2022

PRESENT: Councillor John Kelly (in the Chair)
Councillors Morris

9. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Waterfield and her Substitute Member Councillor Friel.

10. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of any disclosable pecuniary interests or personal interests were received.

11. MINUTES

RESOLVED:

That the Minutes of the meeting held on 4 November 2020 be confirmed as a correct record.

12. COAST AND VISITOR AREAS PUBLIC SPACE PROTECTION ORDER (PSPO)

The Committee considered the joint report of the Head of Operational In-House Services and the Head of Communities relating to a draft Public Spaces Protection Order – Coast and Visitor Areas (PSPO) under the Anti-Social Behaviour Crime and Policing Act 2014.

The report provided information concerning Coast and Visitor Area behaviours and an overview of the public consultation on proposed additional measures through a proposed new Public Space Protection Order (PSPO).

Mr. Mark Shaw, Green Sefton Service Manager, and Ms Rachel Northover, Green Sefton Team Leader – Community and Resource, presented the report and answered questions thereon.

Members of the Committee requested and agreed that an additional restriction be added in response to the consultation to cover damage, destruction and vandalism of life saving equipment (including life rings, life belts and defibrillator equipment etc) and associated safety and PSPO signage.

RESOLVED: That

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- (1) Council be requested to give its approval for the proposed Public Space Protection Order as detailed below:
- 1.0. that the following requirements/restrictions summarised below are included within the proposed PSPO – Coast and Visitor Areas, where clear support has been demonstrated through the consultation (over 60% in support):
 - 1.1. Authorised Officers able to confiscate alcohol *(where they feel it is contributing to Anti-Social Behaviour only – this is not a complete ban)*
 - 1.2. Fires and Barbeques not allowed *(not allowed to light or fuel any open fire nor to use, light or discard any barbecue. This refers to all types of barbeques – disposable, gas powered, standard charcoal)*
 - 1.3. Fireworks, balloons, and lantern releases not allowed.
 - 1.4. Certain events only with written permission. *(Events such as lectures, speeches, sermons, busking, live music, bootcamps, sport events, use of generators and other types of entertainment performances/shows are not allowed without prior permission granted by the Council as per our events policy)*
 - 1.5. No overnight stays in tents, motorhomes, or caravans without written permission. *(including, but not limited to, pitching or occupying tents, motorhomes, caravans; sunshades and windbreaks excepted if there for a maximum of 12 hours). The consultation material originally suggested this relate to ‘groups’ overnight stays, but following discussion, is proposed to be amended to propose no unauthorized camping etc at all, without written permission.*
 - 1.6. No collecting money or selling (for any reason) without written permission. *(This includes:*
 - *Begging or soliciting for money**
 - *Advertising any article verbally or by the distribution of leaflets and flyers, circulars, or advertisements of any kind*
 - *Flyposting and other fixed notices on**)*

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railings, posts or other street furniture without prior permission, and a fee may be chargeable for this. Notices must be taken down within an agreed period.

- *Selling goods, products, or services without prior permission of the Council.
Begging or soliciting for money. The act of begging is deemed as either approaching people for money, or being stationary and asking for money, or positioned on the floor to invite the offer of money or goods)

- 1.7. Cycling on cycle paths and routes, following road rules, and not cycling dangerously.

(No riding any cycle within the restricted area unless on a designated cycle route or the beach. No riding any cycle where localised signage requires you to dismount. No riding any cycle without due care and attention or without due care and consideration for other users of that area. A cycle means a bicycle, a tricycle or a cycle having four or more wheels, including one power-assisted by electrical, or other means not being in any case a motorcycle or motor vehicle)

- 1.8. No climbing on structures such as Southport Pier and outfall pipes on the beach.

- 1.9. No swimming in lakes, ponds, or pools unless rules say it is allowed.

(For example, swimming is not generally allowed in Crosby Marine Lake except for specific times/events which are advertised locally. This does not apply to swimming/bathing in the sea. It should be noted though that Sefton's coast can be hazardous; visitors are advised to take full note of the safety signage at the coast and keep to designated lifeguarded bathing areas at Formby, Ainsdale, and Southport)

- 1.10. Dogs not allowed in dog free zones on the beach or in fenced off areas or in pools or ponds.

(This is in addition to the separate boroughwide PSPO for dog control)

- 1.11. Vehicles – No unauthorised motorized vehicles in the area. Not including mobility scooters, wheelchairs, or electric bikes on the cycle paths.

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- 1.12. On-beach parking to be used for parking only and within the 10mph speed limit.
(No driving outside of the delineated parking area onto the foreshore or into the dunes. Speeding, racing, handbrake turns, and other dangerous manoeuvres, unlicensed drivers, etc are prohibited. This does not apply to emergency vehicles and other authorised access)
- 1.13. No glass bottles or containers allowed in the restricted areas.
- 1.14. No throwing of objects.
(Such as stones, pebbles, or anything else in a manner likely to cause alarm, injury, or damage to property)
- 1.15. No Golf allowed.
- 1.16. Actions such as weeing, spitting, pooing not allowed outdoors in these areas *(Urinate, spit, or defecate)*

Through discussion during the consultation period, and in response to some comments received, this 'other hazards' item is proposed to be extended to include:

- ingest, inhale, inject, smoke, or otherwise use drugs or substances reasonably believed to be psychoactive substances.
 - Possess or release any canister containing compressed gas
 - Act in a disorderly manner so as to cause harassment, alarm, nuisance, or distress to other in the locality)
- 1.17. No activities that cause pollution allowed
(Bring in or permit to happen anything which pollutes or is likely to pollute the environment or cause harm to flora and fauna or people. This can include:
- *Chemicals getting into water bodies (detergent, fuel, chemicals)*
 - *Plastic waste anywhere, but particularly the foreshore where it can be washed out to sea*
 - *Biosecurity*
 - *Littering*
 - *Noise pollution*
 - *Dog fouling*

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- *Human waste*

1.18. No weapons of any kind to be brought into the area
(Bring or be in possession of any catapult, firearm, bow and arrow, crossbow, knife, or other article likely to cause harm to persons or wildlife)

2.0. Noted that the following items, although receiving general support, were not as strongly supported (with approval being in the 40-60% margin, but still a higher percentage than those that didn't support the item) and it was agreed that they should also be included in the PSPO with minor amendments made, namely:

2.1. Not to congregate in a group of 40 or more, after being told by an Authorised Officer or a Police Constable in order to prevent anti-social behaviour

2.2. Boat launching only from certain parts of the coast and lakes with permission
(including Paddleboards, canoes not allowed other than at designated launching locations and with the necessary permissions)

2.3. Watercrafts and power kiting only in set areas and with written permission

- *(Being in charge of any pleasure boat, windsurfer, kite board, paddleboard, jet ski or any other vessel and causing or permitting same to be used in a dangerous manner, without due care or attention or without reasonable consideration for any other persons OR failing to comply with instructions from an Authorised Person in respect of said vessel.*
- *Bring, ride, beach or launch any jet ski other than at the marine lakes and in compliance with the operators at these locations.*
- *Undertake kite surfing, parakiting or other powered kite activity anywhere on the coast other than the designated Kite beach.*
- *Take part in these activities without the necessary permit and insurance)*

2.4. Horses not allowed to be ridden in bathing areas on the beach in summer. Horses must not be

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- ridden dangerously or within 2 hours of high tide.
- *(Horses not allowed to be ridden or brought into the designated bathing areas between 1st May and 30th September each year.*
 - *Horses must not be ridden on the beach 2 hours either side of high tide.*
 - *Horses not allowed to be ridden on the coast other than on designated bridleways.*
 - *Horses not allowed to be ridden on the coast other than on designated bridleways and those beaches with access via an authorised route.*
 - *For the avoidance of doubt, horses are not allowed to enter vegetated areas on or adjacent to the beach or to ride through flocks of roosting/feeding birds at any time. Galloping is not permitted)*
- 2.5. Powered flight is not allowed in any area of the Order including taking off and landing without the express written permission of Sefton Metropolitan Borough Council.
(paraglider, parascender, hang glider or other similar craft)
- 2.6. Remote-controlled vehicles not allowed without written permission
(Bring or permit to be used any remote-controlled vehicle including model aircraft without permission)
- 2.7. Drones can only be flown with written permission
- 3.0. None of the items were 'unsupported' in the consultation (a disagreement with the proposal being more than 50%), and so none are proposed for immediate removal in the PSPO
- 4.0. An additional requirement/restriction be included within the proposed PSPO in response to a consultation response to cover damage, destruction and vandalism of life saving equipment (including life rings, life belts and defibrillator equipment etc) and associated safety and PSPO signage.
- 5.0. The geographic locations of the PSPO as detailed in the report be agreed, and no omissions be made to these areas; and

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6.0 The following additional locations suggested by the Lancashire Wildlife Trust be agreed, namely, Freshfield Dune Heath and Lunt Meadows.

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Report to:	Licensing and Regulatory (Urgent Referrals) Committee	Date of Meeting:	Wednesday 30 November 2022
Subject:	Re-issuing of Southport FC's General Safety Certificates		
Report of:	Chief Planning Officer	Wards Affected:	Kew;
Portfolio:	Planning & Building Control		
Is this a Key Decision:	No	Included in Forward Plan:	No
Exempt / Confidential Report:	No		

Summary:

Request for the General Safety Certificates for two regulated viewing grandstands at Southport FC's Haig Avenue stadium to be re-issued to include a new holder, new Safety Officer and a requirement for the Club to maintain a Safety Policy

Recommendation:

- (1) That Members agree to re-issue the General Safety Certificate's for the Main Grandstand and for the Jack Carr Stand at Southport FC's Haig Avenue stadium.

Reasons for the Recommendation:

To ensure that Southport Football Club has a valid Safety Certificate for each of its two 'regulated' grandstands and that both the Club and the Council comply with the requirements of the Safety at Sports Grounds Act 1975 and the Fire Safety and Safety of Places of Sport Act 1987

Alternative Options Considered and Rejected: (including any Risk Implications)

None

What will it cost and how will it be financed?

(A) Revenue Costs

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Any costs associated with reissuing the safety certificates will be met from existing budgets.

(B) Capital Costs - Nil

There are no direct capital costs associated with the recommendations in this report.

Implications of the Proposals:

Resource Implications (Financial, IT, Staffing and Assets):	
Any costs associated with reissuing the safety certificates will be met from existing budgets.	
Legal Implications:	
None	
Equality Implications:	
There are no equality implications.	
Climate Emergency Implications:	
The recommendations within this report will	
Have a positive impact	Y/N
Have a neutral impact	Y/N
Have a negative impact	Y/N
The Author has undertaken the Climate Emergency training for report authors	Y/N
The subject matter of this report is considered to be neutral in terms of Climate Emergency implications.	

Contribution to the Council's Core Purpose:

Protect the most vulnerable: Not applicable
Facilitate confident and resilient communities: Contributes to the continued safety of sports spectators attending Southport FC's football stadium
Commission, broker and provide core services: Not applicable
Place – leadership and influencer: Not applicable
Drivers of change and reform: Not applicable
Facilitate sustainable economic prosperity: Not applicable

Greater income for social investment: Not applicable
Cleaner Greener: Not applicable

What consultations have taken place on the proposals and when?

(A) Internal Consultations

The Executive Director of Corporate Resources and Customer Services (FD..7004/22....) and the Chief Legal and Democratic Officer (LD..5204/22...) have been consulted and any comments have been incorporated into the report.

(B) External Consultations

Merseyside Police have been consulted over Southport FC's current Board of Directors and have no objection to them being considered fit and proper persons to be holders of the Clubs Safety Certificate.

Implementation Date for the Decision

Immediately following the Committee / Council meeting.

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Appendices:

The following appendices are attached to this report:

- (1) Draft General Safety Certificates for the Main Grandstand and the Jack Carr Stand

Background Papers:

There are no background papers available for inspection.

1. Introduction/Background

- 1.1 Southport FC's stadium in Haig Avenue contains two 'regulated' grandstands, namely the Main Grandstand and the Jack Carr Stand. Grandstands are deemed 'regulated' if they are capable of holding more than 500 spectators. In accordance with the Safety of Sports Grounds Act 1975 and the Fire Safety and Safety of Places Sports Act 1987 the Club has previously been granted a Safety Certificate for each of those stands.

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- 1.2 Once issued, Safety Certificates remain valid until such time as there is a material, physical alteration to the fabric of the stand, or there is an amendment to the holder of the Certificate. In such circumstance, Safety Certificates have to be re-issued in order to reflect the change in circumstance.
- 1.3 Southport FC have confirmed that the previous holder of the General Safety Certificates, Frank Hughes has left the Club. Accordingly, Club officials have indicated that they wish to transfer the Certificates to a new holder. Southport FC have also confirmed that they have appointed Stephen Scott as the Clubs new Safety Officer.

2.0 Current position

- 2.1 In accordance with Section 29(5) of the Fire Safety and Safety of Places of Sport Act 1987, Club officials have formally requested that the Safety Certificates at Southport FC are both re-issued to show that the specified holder of the Certificates is the Board of Directors of Southport FC. The Club have also asked that their newly appointed Safety Officer – Stephen Scott, be named within the Safety Certificates.
- 2.2 Officers have sort advice on whether a ‘body corporate’ can be the holder of a Safety Certificate and have consulted with the Sports Grounds Safety Authority (SGSA) over this specific issue. The SGSA are the UK Governments advisers on safety at sports grounds and have a regulatory role in overseeing local authorities fulfilling their role under safety at sports grounds legislation. The SGSA have issued guidance in one of their documents which states that ‘as well as a named person, Safety Certificates can also be held by a ‘body corporate’ - in which case the Board of Directors, or other similar entity, would take responsibility for compliance with the safety certificate and with the management of the sports ground’. The SGSA who have also stated that if a Safety Certificate is issued to a Board of Directors – then it is vitally important that the Clubs own safety policy clarifies who of the Board of Directors has overall responsibility for safety matters.
- 2.3 Accordingly, a requirement has been added to the Safety Certificates for the Club to produce a Safety Policy, stating who of the Directors has overall responsibility for safety.
- 2.4 In accordance with the above-mentioned legislation, Merseyside Police have been consulted in respect of the re-issuing of the Clubs Safety Certificates and they have no objections to the proposed change to the certificate holder.
- 2.5 Both Safety Certificates have been amended (in draft format) for consideration by the Councils Regulatory and Licencing Committee.

3.0 Recommendation

- 3.1 That Committee agree to reissue the General Safety Certificates for the Main Grandstand and for the Jack Carr Stand at Southport FC’s stadium.

4.0 Future actions

- 4.1** Should Members agree to re-issue the Safety Certificates, Officers will take the necessary steps to issue those certificates and will undertake annual, statutory inspections of both stands, in order to verify that the contents, requirements and conditions contained within the issued Safety Certificates are being met. Those inspections will be carried out jointly with the three emergency services.

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Sefton MBC

THE MAIN GRANDSTAND

**Merseyrail Community Stadium
Southport Football Club
Haig Avenue**

CERTIFICATE NUMBER 1

ISSUED 30th November 2022

SAFETY AT SPORTS GROUNDS ACT 1975

**FIRE SAFETY AND SAFETY OF
PLACES OF SPORT
ACT 1987**

GENERAL SAFETY CERTIFICATE

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THE MAIN GRANDSTAND

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SAFETY OF SPORTS GROUNDS ACT 1975

FIRE SAFETY AND SAFETY OF PLACES OF SPORTS ACT 1987

INFORMATION

i It is important to know all the provisions of the Safety of Sports Grounds Act 1975, and Fire Safety and Safety of Places of Sports Act 1987 which are relevant to stadia within its scope. These are explained, without legal force, in the booklet "Guide to Safety at Sports Grounds" (latest edition), obtainable from Her Majesty's Stationery Office. The following points are particularly important but reference should be made to those Acts or the authoritative information.

ii **Right of Entry and Inspection**

Section 11 of the Safety of Sports Grounds Act 1975 gives to authorised officers the power to enter and inspect a regulated stand within a sports ground and to make any enquiries as are considered necessary for the purposes of the Act. Authorised officers also have power to examine records of attendance at the ground and records relating to the maintenance of safety at the ground.

iii **Alterations and Extensions**

Section 8 of the Safety of Sports Grounds Act 1975 and Section 32 of the Fire Safety and Safety of Places of Sports Act 1987 requires notices to be given to the Council before work is commenced to any proposed alteration or extension to the regulated stand.

iv **Offences and Penalties**

For the following offences, that is to say:

- (a) Contravening any term or condition of this certificate, admitting spectators to the regulated stand at a time when a safety certificate is not in force or in contravention of a Court Order, the penalty is, on summary conviction, a fine not exceeding £2,000 or, on conviction on indictment, a fine or imprisonment for a term not exceeding two years, or both.
- (b) Failing to give notice of an alteration or extension to the regulated stand or obstructing an authorised officer, the penalty is on summary conviction, a fine not exceeding £2,000.

v **Prohibition Notices**

Section 10 of the Safety of Sports Grounds Act 1975 (as amended) provides that if the local authority are of the opinion that the admission of spectators to the regulated stand or any part of the sports ground involves or will involve a risk to them so serious that, until steps have been taken to reduce it to a reasonable level, admission of

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spectators to the regulated stand or that part of the ground ought to be prohibited or restricted, the Authority may serve a notice (referred to as a “prohibition notice”) on the Holder of the general safety certificate or the person responsible for the management of the ground prohibiting or restricting the admission of spectators.

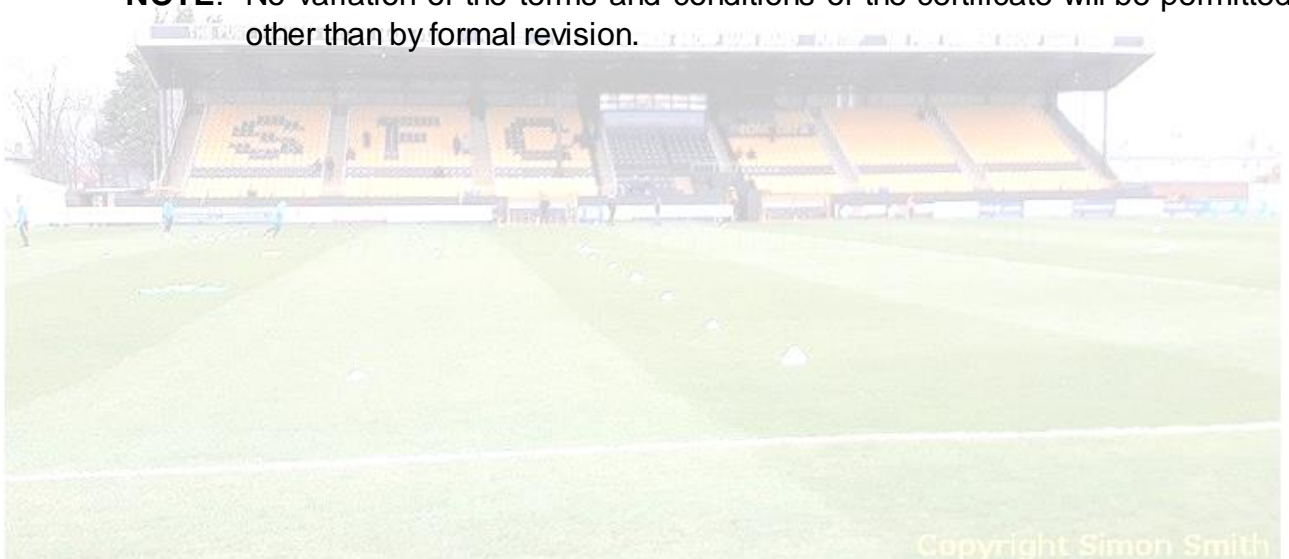
vi **Appeals**

Section 5(3) of the Safety of Sports Grounds Act 1975(as amended) and Section 30 of the Fire Safety and Safety of Places of Sports Act 1987 provides that an interested party may appeal to a Magistrates’ Court against the inclusion of anything in, or the omission of anything from, a safety certificate.

vii **Transfer of Certificate**

If the Holder of the safety certificate ceases to be the person responsible for the management of the ground, an application must be made to the Council for the transfer of the certificate to some other qualified person.

NOTE: No variation of the terms and conditions of the certificate will be permitted other than by formal revision.



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FIRE SAFETY AND SAFETY OF PLACES OF SPORTS ACT 1987

GENERAL SAFETY CERTIFICATE

The Main Grandstand, Southport F.C.

1. In exercise of the powers conferred by the Safety of Sports Grounds Act 1975 and in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Fire Safety and Safety of Places of Sports Act 1987, hereinafter referred to as “the Act”, and all other enabling powers, the Metropolitan Borough of Sefton (“the Council”),

hereby issues to: **The Board of Directors Southport Football Club** (“the Holder”),

this General Safety Certificate in respect of **The Main Grandstand, Southport F.C., Haig Avenue, Southport**, being a stand which the Council have determined to be a regulated stand as defined by Section 6 of the Act.
2. This Certificate includes the Appendices, Schedules, Reports and Drawings attached hereto.
3. The words used in this Certificate and the Schedules attached hereto shall have the meaning assigned to them by the Safety of Sports Grounds Act 1975, the Fire Safety and Safety of Places of Sport Act 1987 and Schedule A.
4. The Holder shall retain control over the whole and each part of the regulated stand and shall take all necessary precautions for the reasonable safety of spectators upon the regulated stand. The responsibility for the safety of spectators upon the regulated stand lies at all times with the Holder, who shall produce a written statement of safety policy.
5. The Holder shall ensure compliance with the terms and conditions of this certificate at all times the sports ground is in use for a specified activity.
6. The Holder shall notify the Council in writing within 14 days before any change of circumstances affecting this certificate.
7. The Holder shall produce a plan of action to deal with emergencies in consultation with the Police, Fire Authority, Ambulance Service, and the Council. The plan of action shall cover all reasonably foreseeable contingencies and shall identify appropriate individuals and their respective tasks, including precautions against electrical or mechanical failure.

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8. The use of the regulated stand for spectator events under this General Safety Certificate is restricted to those activities specified in Appendix 11, and is subject to the terms and conditions set out in this Certificate.
9. The Holder shall give Notice to the Council, Police, Fire Authority and Ambulance Service of all forthcoming specified activities, and in particular, not less than 2 months' notice before the regulated stand is used for any other activity and the Council's consent obtained and any conditions complied with before such use.
10. The Holder shall ensure that the maximum number of spectators that may be admitted at any one time to the regulated stand and to each part thereof shall not exceed the capacities specified in Appendix 4 and shall also ensure that the measures for controlling crowds prescribed in this certificate are observed.
11. The Holder shall provide equipment, permanent staff, stewards and others, and shall monitor, direct, guide, control and assist spectators during specified activities and as set out in Schedule B.
12. The Holder shall provide first aid and medical staff, equipment, facilities and accommodation as set out in Schedule C and Appendix 2.
13. The Holder shall ensure that the regulated stand, including means of ingress and egress, and all installations, including electrical, mechanical and heating, referred to in this Certificate are at all relevant times maintained unobstructed in good repair and in such condition as to fulfil safely their required functions and shall comply with the requirements of Schedule D. The Holder shall also control the use of the regulated stand and installations in such a manner that spectators are not put at risk.
14. The Holder shall take all reasonable precautions to prevent the outbreak and spread of fire, shall maintain equipment and train staff to deal with an outbreak of fire, and shall comply with the requirements of Schedule E.
15. The Holder shall carry out the inspections and testing detailed in Schedule F at the frequency indicated, or such shorter period as may be necessary to ensure the reasonable safety of spectators, and the results of the inspections and testing shall be recorded.
16. The Holder shall keep the records specified in Schedule G and those records shall be made available for inspection by the Council's authorised officer's at all reasonable times.
17. The Holder shall obtain and submit to the Council the certificates specified in Schedule G.
18. The Holder shall be responsible for safety policy and its implementation and for the appointment of the Safety Officer listed in clause 19 below.
19. The Holder has nominated **Stephen Scott** as Safety Officer who will be in charge of the regulated grandstand during the whole time it is in use for any specified activities within category ("A") of Appendix 11.

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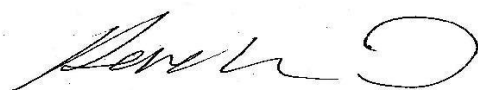
20. The Holder may nominate a replacement Safety Officer or nominate a replacement Deputy Safety Officer, which nominations shall be subject to agreement by the Council. The nominations shall be made to the Council in writing.
21. This Certificate is only valid while there is a nominated Safety Officer whose nomination has been agreed by the Council.
22. No alteration or addition shall be made to the regulated stand or its structure or installations or any other part thereof without the prior written consent of the Council. Execution of any work for which consent has been granted shall be carried out to the satisfaction of the Council.
23. Written notice shall be given to the Council of any proposed alteration or addition, and such notice shall be accompanied by two sets of:
 - (a) Drawings at a scale of 1: 100; and
 - (b) Such other drawings and calculations as are necessary to give full details, or are further required by the Council.
24. This Certificate is issued without prejudice to other legislation controlling the construction or use of the regulated grandstand or sports ground or buildings or otherwise affecting the Holder and does not invalidate any statutory obligation upon the Holder. The specific requirements of this certificate shall not be regarded as the limit of the obligation placed on the Holder to take all necessary precautions for the reasonably safety of spectators admitted to the regulated stand.
25. A joint inspection of the regulated stand must be carried out at twelve monthly intervals to amend or revise requirements of this certificate considered necessary by the Council.
26. The joint inspection referred to in item 25 above must be carried out by the Holder of the certificate, representatives from the Police, Ambulance and Fire Authorities and the Council on a date which is mutually acceptable to all parties.
27. The Holder shall allow any authorised officers of the Council, the Fire Authority, the Ambulance Service and the Police Authority full access to the regulated stand for the exercise of their duties during any specified activity. The Holder shall also allow access to such authorised officers at other reasonable times to ensure that the conditions of this Safety Certificate have not been contravened.
28. The Holder must ensure that the evacuation of all persons in an emergency from the regulated stand is in strict accordance with the Club's evacuation/ management strategy document/statement, as detailed in Appendix 8.
29. The Holder must ensure that no waste materials or temporary concessions are located within the vicinity of the regulated stand which could affect the safe and rapid dispersal away from the regulated stand of all persons in an emergency.
30. The Holder shall draw up and keep up to date plans showing the layout of the regulated stand, sports ground, buildings, equipment and all details considered

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necessary by the Council in connection with the Safety Certificate and shall upon request supply the Council with copies on plastic draughting film or electronically in a pdf format.

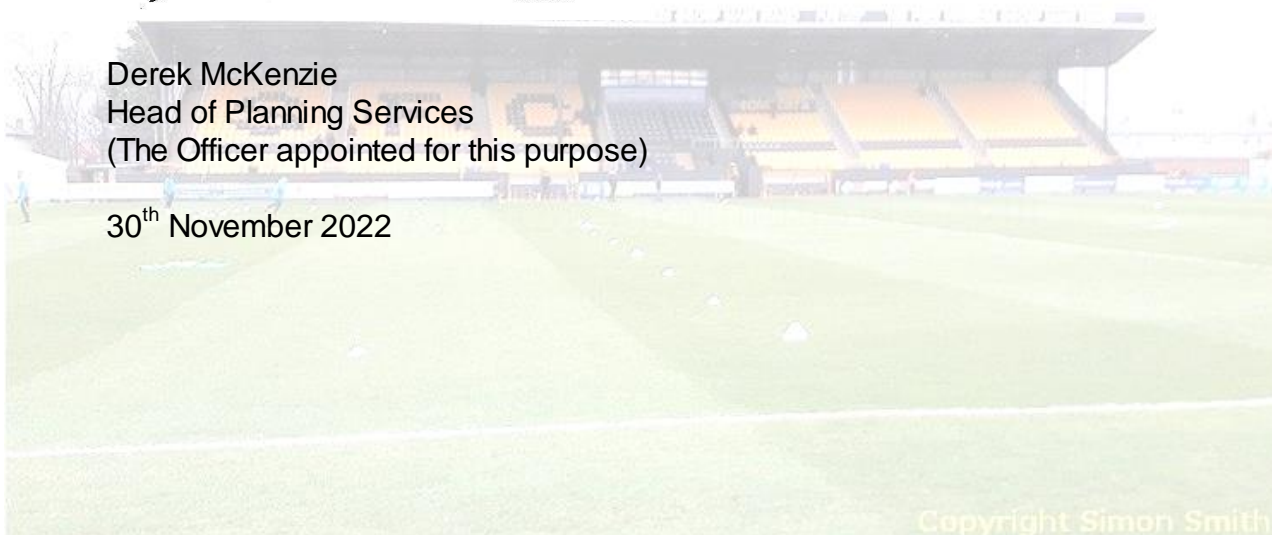
31. This Certificate will be reviewed by the Council as part of its annual inspection.

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(The Officer appointed for this purpose)

30th November 2022

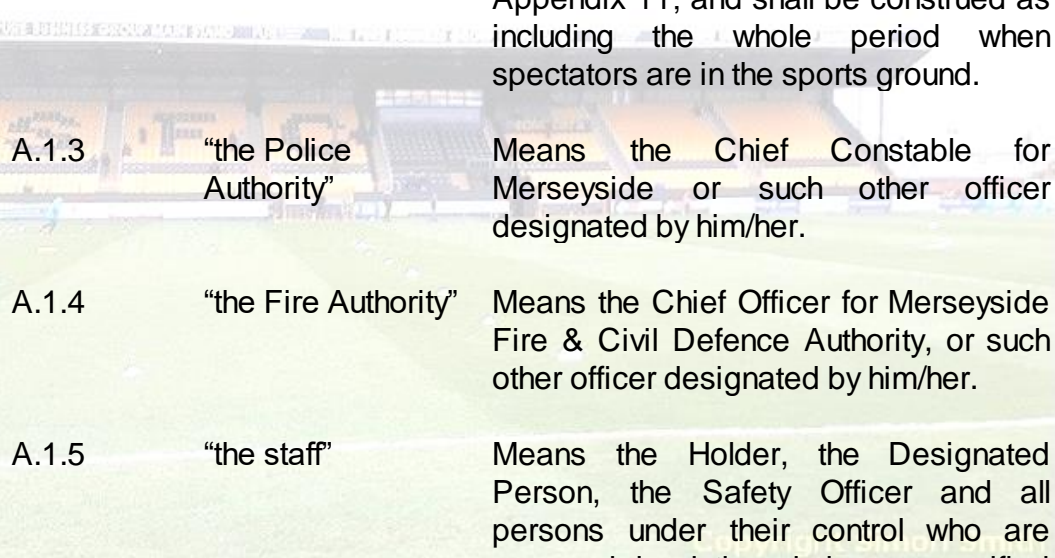


SCHEDULE A

DEFINITIONS

A.1

Definitions

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- A.1.1 “the Holder” Means the person determined by the Council as being in a position to prevent contravention of the terms and conditions of this certificate, referred to as the person who qualifies for the issue of a General Safety Certificate in Section 28 of the Act or another responsible person as defined by Section 36(3) of the Act.
- A.1.2 “specified activity” Means any of the activities listed in Appendix 11; and shall be construed as including the whole period when spectators are in the sports ground.
- A.1.3 “the Police Authority” Means the Chief Constable for Merseyside or such other officer designated by him/her.
- A.1.4 “the Fire Authority” Means the Chief Officer for Merseyside Fire & Civil Defence Authority, or such other officer designated by him/her.
- A.1.5 “the staff” Means the Holder, the Designated Person, the Safety Officer and all persons under their control who are engaged in duties during a specified activity relating to the management of the regulated stand and the safety, direction and control of spectators, and shall include those staff employed by franchise holders etc.
- A.1.6 “the plans” Means the documents attached to this Certificate marked “plans referred to in the General Safety Certificate” and any other document or documents that may be added thereto.
- A.1.7 “the regulated stand” Means a stand within the sports ground known as Merseyrail Community Stadium, Haig Avenue and the means of access to it as shown on Plan No. 1

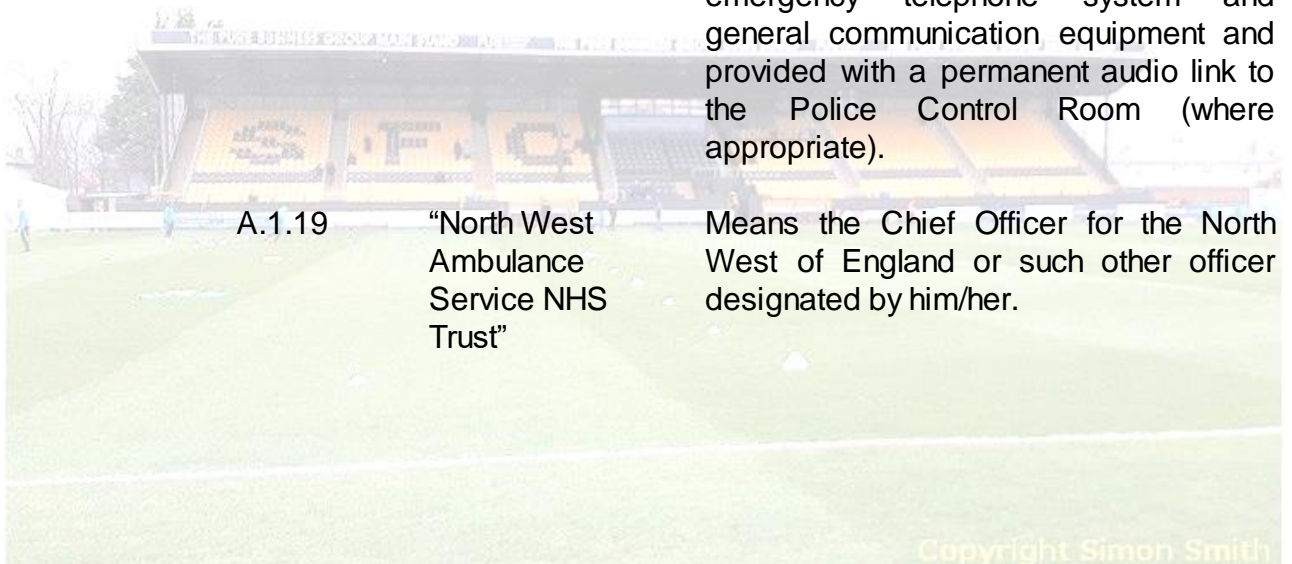
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attached to this certificate.

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| A.1.8 | “fire resisting” | Means the construction is capable of resisting the action of fire for not less than half-an-hour, or such other period as may be specified by the Council in accordance with the conditions of test of the appropriate part of BS.476 current at the date of this Certificate. |
| A.1.9 | “non-combustible” | Means material capable of being classified as non-combustible if subjected to the test for non-combustibility prescribed in the appropriate part of BS.476 current at the date of this Certificate, or such other material or combination of materials as the Council accepts as being non-combustible. |
| A.1.10 | “surface spread of flame classification” | Means the class into which a material falls when tested for surface spread of flame in accordance with the appropriate part of BS 476 current at the date of this Certificate or as defined in the Approved Document to Part B (Fire Safety) of the Building Regulations 2010. |
| A.1.11 | “normal lighting” | Means all lighting, other than escape lighting, permanently installed throughout the sports ground. The term may include purely decorative lighting, but not lighting installed solely for advertising purposes. Note: Also known as “General Lighting” |
| A.1.12 | “maintained normal lighting” | Means a portion of the normal lighting which remains illuminated in the absence of natural daylight during specified activities to allow free movement within the sports ground and exits there from. |
| A.1.13 | “emergency lighting” | Means lighting provided from a source independent of the normal lighting supply. |
| A. 1.14 | “escape lighting” | Means the portion of emergency lighting, provided in the absence of natural daylight, to allow free movement within the sports ground and exits there from. |

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| A.1.15 | “maintained escape lighting” | Means the system of escape lighting in which the lamps remain illuminated during specified activities to allow free movement within the sports ground and exits there from |
| A.1.16 | “non-maintained escape lighting | Means a system of escape lighting in which the lamps are illuminated automatically only on failure of the normal lighting supply. |
| A.1.17 | “emergency telephones” | Means a monitored telephone system with dedicated telephone points around the sports ground and connected to the sports ground control room. |
| A.1.18 | “Safety Officer’s Control Point | Means a room containing fire alarm warning systems, turnstile monitoring equipment, public address systems, emergency telephone system and general communication equipment and provided with a permanent audio link to the Police Control Room (where appropriate). |
| A.1.19 | “North West Ambulance Service NHS Trust” | Means the Chief Officer for the North West of England or such other officer designated by him/her. |



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SCHEDULE B

STAFF AND CROWD CONTROL

B.1 Safety Officers

- B.1.1 The Safety Officer shall be responsible for ensuring that checks, inspections, testing, training, recording, remedial works and all matters relating to spectator safety are carried out promptly and effectively.
- B.1.2 The Safety Officer shall examine and sign all records that the Holder is required to maintain, and shall countersign all records required by Schedule G.
- B.1.3 The Duty Safety Officer (who shall be either the Safety Officer or the Deputy Safety Officer) shall be responsible on behalf of the Holder for all safety matters, inspections, tests and training immediately prior to, during, and after every specified activity. In addition, the Duty Safety Officer shall sign all records that are required by Schedule G of this Certificate to be made available before each specified activity.
- B.1.4 The Duty Safety Officer shall be easily identifiable and shall attend at the Safety Officer's Control Point. He/she shall not be engaged in any other task.
- B.1.5 The name of the Duty Safety Officer shall be displayed on a board adjacent to the Police Control Room before every specified activity.

B.2 Stewards

- B.2.1 Stewards should be fit and active, with the maturity, character and temperament to carry out the duties required of them. They should be able to understand and communicate verbal and written instructions in English. Stewards should be interviewed and where necessary, tested before appointment to ascertain that they are suitable individuals.
- B.2.2 Each Steward shall be readily recognisable with the same distinctly coloured and numbered surcoat or tabard (or such other clothing approved in advance by the Council) worn outside his/her clothing.
- B.2.3 Each Senior Steward shall be readily recognisable by the wearing of a surcoat or tabard that is distinctive from that worn by the Stewards.
- B.2.4 Each member of staff and each Steward shall be properly trained in his/her duties and in safety procedures in accordance with Sections B.2.5, B.2.7 and E.4.1 to ensure order and safety is maintained, and be fit to carry out his/her duties. The Holder shall ensure that a Level 2 certificate of competency is provided to demonstrate that adequate training has been received.
Stewards should not work unaccompanied until they have attended four events as a steward and have completed the following units in the 'National Occupational Standards for Spectator Safety':-

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- (i) C29 – Prepare for spectator events.
- (ii) C35 – Deal with accidents and emergencies.
- (iii) C210 – Control the entry, exit and movement of people at spectator events.

Stewards should complete their training, assessment and qualification within 12 months of their employment.

Supervisors should receive additional training and ideally hold a Level 3 spectator safety qualification.

B.2.5 Stewards shall be responsible for:-

- (a) Controlling or directing spectators who are entering or leaving the regulated stand, to help achieve an even flow of people to the viewing areas;
- (b) To understand their responsibilities towards the health and safety of all categories of spectators (including those with disabilities and children), other stewards, ground staff and themselves.
- (c) Recognising crowd densities, signs of crowd distress and crowd dynamics so as to ensure the safe dispersal of spectators and the prevention of overcrowding, particularly on the seated and standing terraces and in hospitality areas;
- (d) Patrolling within and around the regulated stand to respond to emergencies, e.g. raising alarms or tackling the early stages of fires and take the necessary immediate action;
- (e) To understand the implementation of the evacuation and operational procedures for the regulated stand;
- (f) Staffing entrances, exits to and from the viewing accommodation and other strategic points, especially exit doors and exit gates/routes from the regulated stand that are not continuously open whilst the regulated stand is in use;
- (g) Searching spectators (under ground regulations; properly drawn to their attention);
- (h) Assisting Police as appropriate or as requested with crowd control.
- (i) Undertaking specific duties in an emergency or otherwise as directed by the Duty Safety Officer.
- (j) To carry out safety checks. Also to assist in the safe operation of the regulated stand, the sports ground and NOT to view the activity taking place.

B.2.6 For each self-contained compound or each terrace area there shall be a Steward (or, if appropriate, a Police Officer) whose sole duty is to monitor the crowd conditions in that area for possible overcrowding or distress and report in accordance with agreed procedures. Any Steward employed for this particular duty must be provided with a

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personal radio providing immediate communication with the Duty Safety Officer and/or Police Control Room. This requirement shall not apply to any standing area where the attendance does not exceed one third of that area's maximum permitted capacity, or 2000, whichever is the lower.

- B.2.7 Before beginning duty at a specified activity, each Steward shall be briefed thoroughly, be handed a copy of his/her instructions and be made fully aware of his/her general responsibilities and his/her duties in the event of an emergency. Records shall be kept of such briefings as specified in Schedule G.
- B.2.8 No Steward shall leave his/her place of duty during a specified activity without the permission of the appropriate Senior Steward, who shall provide a replacement steward before the position is vacated.
- B.2.9 Stewards shall be located upon the regulated stand and particularly at key points where control is most needed, such as in gangways, vomitories, tops of staircases, gateways onto the pitch or providing access from one part of the ground to another and at each exit or entrance as appropriate.
- B.2.10 Each exit shall be staffed during a specified activity and shall be opened immediately in the event of an emergency and not less than ten minutes before the end of the event. Arrangements shall be made to allow spectators who wish to leave before the above time, to be directed to appropriate exit points, controlled so as to prevent other persons gaining unauthorised entry.
- B.2.11 Each Steward, attendant and member of staff shall be made aware of the provisions of Section 11 of the Safety of Sports Grounds Act, 1975 (as amended) which authorises certain Council Officers to enter and inspect the regulated stand at any reasonable time, upon production of written authorisation/warrant card.
- B.2.12 Stewards should be given suitable training, assigned and give assistance in an emergency to disabled persons, particularly those in wheelchairs, and implement the evacuation procedures within management/evacuation strategy for the regulated stand and the sports ground.
- B.2.13 A loudhailer shall be available for each Senior Steward.
- B.2.14 All staff and stewards shall be told before each specified activity of the location of the Safety Officer's Control Point and the name of the Duty Safety Officer on the day in question.
- B.2.15 The presence of uniformed police at each event where the specified activity is being undertaken shall be agreed with the Holder and Chief Constable of Merseyside prior to the event.

B.3. Disabled Persons

- B.3.1 Wheelchairs used by disabled persons shall be accommodated in the designated spectator areas. Persons who use a wheelchair shall either make their own way or be assisted by a helper to the designated refuge area and from this location be assisted by the stewards at their respective locations.

B.4. Crowd Control and Policing

B.4.1 Before each specified activity the Holder shall:-

- (a) Consult with the Police regarding the general arrangements for that activity; and
- (b) Notify the Police of every specified activity at least 35 days before such activity takes place when possible, or such shorter time as the Police may accept; and consult with him/her concerning the attendance of a sufficient numbers of Police Officers for the purpose of maintaining the safety of, and lawful and orderly behaviour among persons attending the sports ground.

B.4.2 The Holder shall secure, at the Holder's expense, the attendance at the sports ground of the appropriate number of Police Officers, as the Police deem appropriate.

B.4.3 The Holder shall use his best endeavours to enter into a written statement of intent with the Police setting out their respective responsibilities for crowd safety and control; and in particular for the filling of each self-contained compound or other terraced area and the monitoring of spectators in each compound or area to avoid overcrowding. Any variation in the statement must be agreed in writing in advance of the specified activity to which it is relevant. It should be noted that the Statement of Intent is not a contract but an agreement on respective areas of responsibility.

B.4.4 The Holder shall maintain Police facilities as specified in Appendix 12.

B.4.5. When considered necessary by the Police, the Holder shall permit entry only by ticket issued or sold before the day the regulated stand is used for that particular specified activity.

B.4.6 The number of tickets issued for the regulated stand shall not exceed the permitted capacity of that area less the number of season tickets issued for the regulated stand. Each ticket shall specify the gate/turnstile by which the ticket holder shall enter the sports ground to access the regulated stand. Also where possible, shall include a diagram showing the position of the regulated stand within the sports ground and position of all entrances and exits.

B.4.7 The Holder shall agree with the Council and the Police the methods to be used for the segregation of home and visiting spectators.

B.4.8 Sufficient turnstiles, as shown on Plan No. 1, shall be operated to allow the entry of all spectators to the regulated stand within the sports ground within one hour at a notional rate of 660 persons per turnstile, or such lower rate as may be determined by the Council. Each bank of turnstiles shall be individually and conspicuously identified by colour and number or letter visible to spectators approaching the ground. The colour, number or letter on each bank of turnstiles or turnstile shall

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correspond with the information given on the tickets issued for use at that bank of turnstiles or turnstile.

- B.4.9 A public address system shall be provided and operated by a person nominated by the Holder. The system shall be used for the carrying out of emergency evacuation procedures for the ground in accordance with Appendix 8, after consultation with the Senior Police Officer, Fire Authority Officer and North West Ambulance Service NHS Trust Officer.
- B.4.10 The public address system shall be capable of communicating information to areas both outside and inside the regulated stand. Important announcements shall be preceded by a loud audible signal and the arrangement prominently displayed in every programme.
- B.4.11 Each gate on an exit route and every gate in any pitch perimeter fence or radial fence, unless secured in the open position, shall be controlled by a Steward or Police Officer while spectators are in the regulated stand.
- B.4.12 The Holder shall ensure that spectator numbers entering the regulated stand do not exceed those described in Appendix 4 so that the Duty Safety Officer may give instructions immediately to close any gate, turnstile or entry route onto the regulated stand.
- B.4.13 Drinks may be sold or supplied in containers made of paper or plastics materials except:-
- (a) With the prior written consent of the Council; or
 - (b) Where drink is served at a table accompanying a meal; or
 - (c) In those parts of the ground not usually open to members of the general public.

Attention is drawn to the provision of the Sporting Events (Control of Alcohol) Act 1985 as amended by the Public Order Act 1986 (and subsequent revisions) as well as the Licensing Act 2003. Spectators should not be admitted to the ground in an inebriated condition and the Club should have measures in place to suspend the sale of alcohol should a general deterioration of behaviour be observed.

- B.4.14 Where and when it is considered necessary by the Police, no person shall be permitted to enter or remain in the regulated stand in possession of any glass bottle or metal can. The Holder shall take all reasonable steps to ensure that this condition is complied with. See also proviso to paragraph B.4.13 above.
- B.4.15 Television cameras, commentary points, camera gantries and the location of outside broadcast vans, for the broadcast or recording of specified activities, including cables and other portable equipment, shall be restricted to the positions indicated on the approved plans or as otherwise approved in writing by the Council.
- B.4.16 Means of ingress and egress and signage shall be maintained to the satisfaction of the Council to each part of the sports ground as shown on the attached plans and as referred to in Schedule D.1 to this Certificate.

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B.4.17 The parking of vehicles on the sports ground premises shall be restricted to the positions indicated on the approved plans or as otherwise approved in writing by the Council.

B.4.18 Copies of the Ground Regulations shall be framed or glazed or otherwise protected against loss or defacement and shall be displayed in prominent positions to be agreed with the Police.

B.5 Major Incident Plan

B.5.1 The Holder, in consultation with the local emergency services (Police, Fire and Ambulance Services), should ensure the drafting of an emergency or major incident plan.

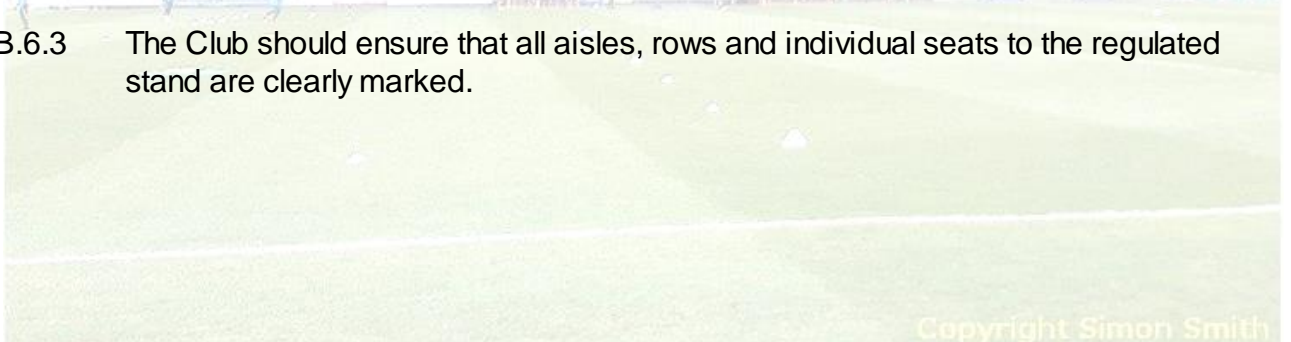
B.5.2 The major incident plan should identify areas for dealing with multiple casualties and identify access and egress routes as well as a rendezvous point for emergency access vehicles.

B.6 Ticketing arrangements

B.6.1 Where a capacity or near capacity attendance is expected, admission should be by ticket.

B.6.2 Tickets for seats which offer restricted views should be marked accordingly and tickets for seats with severely restricted views should not be sold.

B.6.3 The Club should ensure that all aisles, rows and individual seats to the regulated stand are clearly marked.



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FIRST AID AND MEDICAL FACILITIES

C.1 Management Responsibilities

C.1.1 Upon application for a General Safety Certificate, or when an existing General Safety Certificate is renewed, the Council (on behalf of the holder) will consult with NW Ambulance Services NHS Trust and the Holder will undertake a medical risk assessment regarding the implications of spectators using the regulated grandstand.

C.1.2 Upon completion of the medical risk assessment, the Holder shall produce a written medical plan which defines levels of medical and first aid provision for spectators with the regulated stand.

C.2 Medical Plan

C.2.1 The medical plan shall include the following:

- the command structure and responsibilities of the medical team
- details of the sports ground command and control systems
- size and location of any mobile first aid room(s)
- a schedule of all medical equipment / materials and their source
- details of any ambulance including their location, capabilities and competences of the crew
- details, duties and location of any of any crowd doctors, nurses, paramedics and first aiders

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- details of communication links between the medical team and other agencies
- the procedure for the investigation and management of critical incidents
- the number and profile of expected crowds
- the times and duration of any planned sporting events
- procedures for inspecting facilities and equipment
- plans for responding to adverse weather conditions
- travels time and distances to local accident and emergency hospitals
- plans for responding to a major incident
- major incident triage procedures
- major incident casualty clearing location and procedures
- procedures for dealing with fatalities
- welfare facilities for all medical service personnel

C.3 First aid room

C.3.1 The Holder shall ensure a suitable room is made available for the treatment of injured spectators. This room shall be in addition to any facility for persons involved in sporting activity, as specified in Appendix 2.

C.3.2 The first aid room shall be of a size and equipped to a standard in accordance with guidance from North West Ambulance Service NHS Trust and the crowd doctor.

C.3.3 The Council will inspect the first aid room and the facilities during their annual inspection, as specified in Appendix 2.

C.4 Crowd doctor

C.4.1 For events where the expected crowd will be in excess of 2,000 at least one crowd doctor (who will be qualified and experienced in pre-hospital emergency care) should be present.

C.5 Ambulance provision

C.5.1 The holder should make arrangements for the provision of at least one fully equipped ambulance – staffed to paramedic level, at all events where the anticipated attendance is expected to be in excess of 5,000.

C.5.2 The ambulance should be available as spectators start to enter and remain in place until the event has finished and spectators have left the the regulated stand.

C.6 First aiders

C.6.1 At least two first aiders should be in attendance at all events.

C.6.2 Where anticipated attendance is in excess of 2,000, there should be an additional one first aider per 1000 spectators (or part thereof).

C.6.3 First aiders should:

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- have the maturity, character and temperament to carry out the duties required of them.
- have no other duties or responsibilities at the event.
- be able to understand and communicate verbally in English.
- be available as spectators start to enter and remain in place until the event has finished and spectators have left the regulated stand
- be briefed prior to deployment as to their roles and responsibilities as well as emergency and evacuation procedures, have their certification checked and it should be ensured they have access to basic medical equipment.

C.7 Communication

- C.7.1 A system should be in place to allow reliable radio communication (on a single channel) between a control point and all members of the medical team.
- C.7.2 For events where it is anticipated that there may be a large attendance, it may be necessary for a representative of North West Ambulance Services NHS Trust and or the crowd doctor to have access to the control point and to be provided with working facilities and communications.

C.8 Major Incident Plan

- C.8.1 The Holder, in consultation with the local emergency services (Police, Fire and Ambulance Services), should ensure the drafting of an emergency or major incident plan.
- C.8.2 The major incident plan should identify areas for dealing with multiple casualties and identify access and egress routes as well as a rendezvous point for emergency access vehicles.
- C.8.3 In the event of a major incident, all medical, ambulance and first aid staff will come under the command of North West Ambulance Services NHS Trust.

C.9 Inspections and records

- C.9.1 The Holder should ensure that management, ambulance officers, first aiders and the crowd doctor should be de-briefed after every sporting event and any comments or follow-up actions being recorded by management.
- C.9.2 The Holder should ensure a record is kept of the numbers and posts of all ambulance staff and first aiders attending an event, as well as the name of the crowd doctor.
- C.9.3 The Holder should ensure a record is kept of all first aid or medical diagnosis and treatment provided during an event, including the destination of casualties.

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- C.9.4 Records should be made available to the Council during the annual inspection (whilst being cognisant of medical confidentiality issues).



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SCHEDULE D

BUILDINGS, STRUCTURES AND INSTALLATIONS

D.1 Means of Ingress and Egress

- D.1.1 The means of ingress and egress shall be maintained in good condition and unobstructed to each part of the regulated stand as shown on Plan No. 1 and as specified in Appendix 5; stairways, gates and gangways shall be of width specified. The location of all perimeter and radial fences and of every gate in each fence shall be as shown on Plan No. 1.
- D.1.2 Each escape route referred to in Appendix 5 shall be available for egress during any specified activity.
- D.1.3 No door or gate forming part of an escape route shall be locked or fastened in such a way that it cannot easily or immediately be opened by those using that route in an emergency.
- D.1.4 All exits from the regulated stand, shall be staffed at all times while both the regulated stand and sports ground is used by the public. All pitch perimeter gates shall be kept clear, available and unlocked whenever the area of the sports ground behind them is occupied.
- D.1.5 'WAY OUT' or 'EXIT' notices shall be provided and maintained over each exit, and exit routes shall be indicated as required by the Council.
- D.1.6 All exits off the regulated stand and all doors and gates on exit routes shall be available/secured in the fully open position not less than ten minutes before the end of the specified activity.
- D.1.7 All gates in radial, pitch perimeter or pitch barrier fences shall be painted in a distinctive colour different from the rest of the fence and shall be marked "EMERGENCY EXIT". Advertising boards shall not impede exit on to the pitch in an emergency.
- D.1.8 Each gate shall be permanently marked with its number as set out in Appendix 5. The number shall be not less than 300mm in height and visible when the gates are either open or closed.
- D.1.9 Each staircase shall be of fire resisting construction.
- D.1.10 Each gangway, exit route, stairway, ramp, stepping, and means of access for emergency vehicles shall be kept free of stored goods, litter, ice, and snow whilst the regulated stand and the sports ground is in use for any specified activity. The treads of steps and stairways shall be maintained with non-slip and even surfaces, shall be adequately drained and have conspicuous nosings.

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D.1.11 Gangways on terraces shall be in a conspicuous colour with a non-slip surface. Conspicuous nosings shall be provided to stepped gangways in seated areas. All gangways shall be kept clear of spectators.

D2 **Electrical, Mechanical, and Heating Installation**

D.2.1 The electrical installation for the premises shall be maintained in accordance with the Regulations for Electrical Installations published by the Institution of Electrical Engineers.

D.2.2 A diagram of the main electrical circuit shall be fixed in a position easily accessible to the technical staff. All switch and control gear shall be clearly labelled to indicate the circuits that they control.

D.2.3 All cable and conductors of wiring systems shall be sited so that they are, as far as practicable, inaccessible to the public and shall be enclosed throughout in a protective covering of material which has sufficient strength to resist mechanical damage - for example screwed metal conduit, metal trunking, mineral insulated metal sheathed cables or armoured cables.

Note: Where wiring is to be installed within confined areas (such as in escape routes), cables from the above list with a PVC sheath shall not be used. Low Smoke and Fume Emission (LSF) sheathed cables may be acceptable subject to the Council's approval in writing.

D.2.4 The maintained normal lighting shall be kept illuminated within the regulated stand and the sports ground where there is inadequate natural daylight during specified activities, to allow free movement within the regulated stand, the sports ground and exits there from.

Any approved non-maintained escape lighting shall automatically provide illumination in the event of a failure of the maintained normal lighting supply.

Any approved maintained escape lighting shall be kept illuminated during specified activities where there is inadequate natural daylight.

Either system of escape lighting independently shall provide a level of illumination that is adequate to allow free movement within the regulated stand and the sports ground and exits there from.

D.2.5 An alternative electricity supply which functions for a minimum of 3 hours in the event of failure of the normal supply shall be provided to the following installations:-

- Emergency lighting
- Escape lighting
- Emergency telephone
- Safety Officer's Room
- First Aid Room, and
- Other apparatus/areas where required.

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NOTE: Where a generator is used to provide the alternative supply, the start up time of the generator should not exceed 5 seconds.

D.2.6 The electricity power supply to the public address system shall be such as to ensure continuous operation in the event of failure of the mains electricity supply. No spectator shall be admitted unless the public address system is in full working order.

D.2.7 The heating installation (including all boilers, calorifiers and safety devices) for the premises, shall be maintained by the Holder in a safe and satisfactory condition and shall be examined as required by Section F.6.1. Any gas installations shall be provided and maintained in accordance with the latest Gas Safety (Installation and Use) Regulations 1998.

D.3 General

D.3.1 Temporary sales kiosks shall only be installed at the positions when indicated on Plan No. 1 to this General Safety Certificate. No other temporary sales kiosk or stall or other temporary structure including any mobile stall shall be installed without the prior consent of the Council in writing. Liquefied Petroleum Gas shall not be used unless consent is obtained from the Council in writing.

D.3.2 Hazardous materials (including fuels, fertilisers, weed killers, and paints) and combustible materials shall only be stored in a suitable room or storage area approved by the Council. The hazards arising from the keeping of petroleum spirit or petroleum mixture on the premises, including petroleum spirit kept in fuel tanks of plant such as motor mowers is subject to additional statutory control. The Petroleum Licensing Authority shall be informed of any proposal to keep petroleum at the premises.

D.3.3 All glass in doors, windows, partitions, etc. in each part of the regulated stand accessible to spectators shall be maintained in a sound condition.

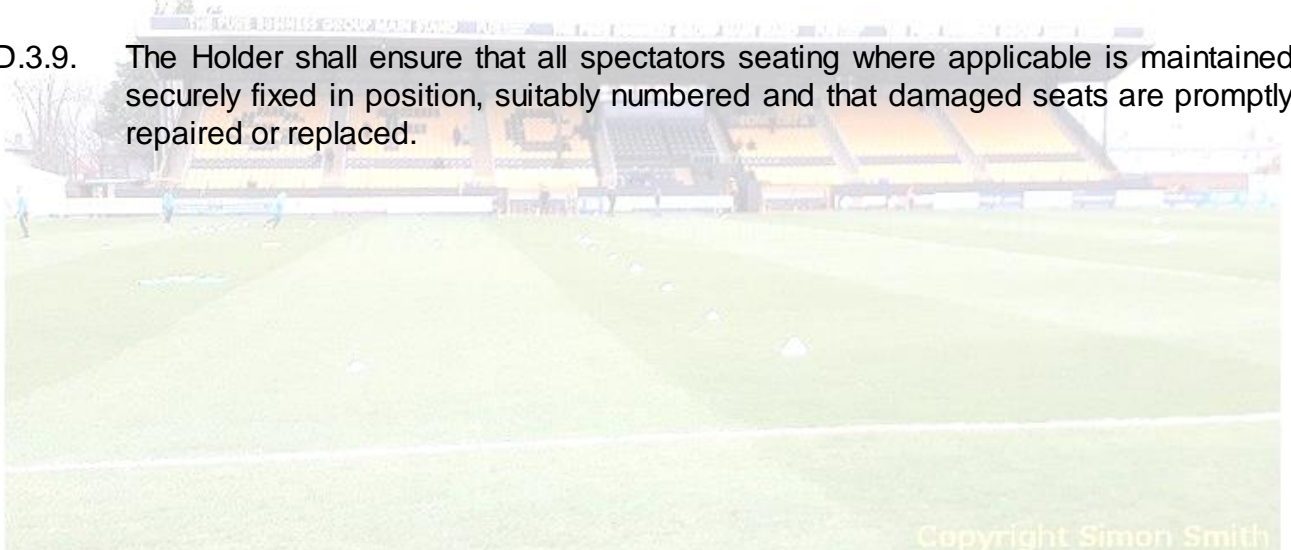
D.3.4 No marquees, tents, soft furnishings, artificial foliage or decoration, shall be installed unless suitable test evidence of material samples have been submitted to the Council and the Council's written consent has been obtained.

D.3.5 The following areas where applicable shall be kept completely free of storage, goods, litter, combustible or flammable material or other obstruction and access maintained at all times:-

- (a) All boiler rooms
- (b) Plant rooms
- (c) Electrical intake rooms
- (d) Electrical switch rooms
- (e) Transformer rooms

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- (f) Lift motor rooms and lobbies
 - (g) Generator rooms
 - (h) Voids, particularly beneath stands.
 - (i) Mechanical & services risers
- D.3.6 Except as provided in paragraph D.3.8 or with consent of the Council in writing, no cylinder for the storage of compressed air, oxygen, hydrogen or other gas or liquid under pressure shall be used or stored in the sports ground.
- D.3.7 Cylinders for the storage of CO² may be used for the supply of beer pumps provided that only one cylinder in use, chained in an upright position, plus one spare for each bar, may be kept in such bar or bar store. Any other CO² cylinder shall be kept in a store approved by the Council.
- D.3.8 No special effects, displays or other arrangements (including pyrotechnics, lasers etc) shall be undertaken without the prior consent of the Council in writing.
- D.3.9. The Holder shall ensure that all spectators seating where applicable is maintained securely fixed in position, suitably numbered and that damaged seats are promptly repaired or replaced.



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SCHEDULE E

FIRE AND FIRE FIGHTING

E.1. **General**

- E.1.1 All emergencies are to be directed in the first instance to the (Safety Officer's Control Point).
- E.1.2 The Fire Authority shall be called to any outbreak of fire or suspicion of fire, in accordance with the procedure detailed in Appendix 8.
- E.1.3 The Fire Authority shall be informed of any proposal to keep petroleum at the premises.

E.2 **Fire Warning, Fire Detection & Communication Systems**

- E.2.1 The regulated stand must be provided with a manually operated electrical fire warning system to alert staff.
- E.2.2 The regulated stand must be provided with an automatic fire detection system to all high risk areas and unoccupied areas that contain a normal risk.
- E.2.3 Both manually operated electrical fire warning and automatic fire detection systems should be designed to accommodate the emergency evacuation procedure; give an automatic indication of the fire warning and its location and be designed, installed, commissioned, maintained and tested by competent persons in accordance with the advice given in the relevant British Standard.
- E.2.4 The public address system shall be staffed during a specified activity by a person nominated by the Club who shall be responsible, in conjunction with the Holder, for carrying out emergency evacuation procedures for the regulated stand and sports ground. Where the public address system is part of the fire warning system it should be connected to an auxiliary power source to ensure that the continued use of the system in the event of a fire or other emergency. It should also be intelligible and have the ability to override volume controls in an emergency situation.
- E.2.5 The public address system should be confirmed as meeting standards by the issue of a commissioning certificate. It should be inspected and tested annually, in addition to the regular pre-event checks and an inspection certificate obtained so it can be available for inspection the Council.
- E.2.6 A communication system shall consist of emergency telephones positioned within the regulated stand or as agreed with the Holder as specified in Appendix 6.
- E.2.7 The telephone switchboard where applicable shall be permanently staffed during a specified activity.

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E.2.8 A communication system shall consist of radio communications between the safety officers control point and stewards. Also other personnel such as the crowd doctor, members of the emergency services and car park or traffic controllers.

E.3 Fire Fighting Equipment

E.3.1 Portable fire appliances, hose reels and firefighting equipment with adequate water supplies shall be provided in the positions specified in Appendix 3, inspected and tested as specified in Schedule E, and records kept as specified in Schedule F.

E.3.2 Extinguishers shall comply with BSEN3 & BS 7937 and are to have British Approvals for Fire Equipment (BAFE) Certification under the British Standards Institute's 'Kite mark' Scheme. Extinguishers shall be installed and maintained in accordance with BS. 5306: Part 3 and to the editions current at the date of this Certificate. New extinguishers shall be of a pattern similar to the existing extinguishers.

E.3.3 Extinguishers shall be located in conspicuous positions on brackets or stands where they are readily seen by persons following an escape route. The carrying handles of larger heavier extinguishers shall be about 1m from the floor but small fire extinguishers and fire blankets shall be mounted so as to position the handle of the extinguisher/base of the fire blanket about 1.5m from the floor

E.3.4 Extinguishers shall be sited so as not to cause obstruction and shall not be placed over or close to heating appliances. They shall be protected against heat or cold and, where necessary, shall contain an anti-freeze agent recommended by the manufacturer.

E.4 Fire Duties

E.4.1 Each member of staff and each Steward shall be fully trained by the Holder in the procedures to be adopted in the event of fire or other emergencies. Such training shall include:-

- (a) The action to be taken on discovery of a fire or other emergency
- (b) The method of calling the Fire Brigade
- (c) The method of operating the fire alarms and procedures to be followed thereafter
- (d) Operation of the internal emergency telephones or radio communication systems.
- (e) Familiarisation with positions of emergency telephones and fire alarm call points throughout the regulated stand.
- (f) The correct method of using firefighting equipment and familiarisation with their locations within the regulated stand.

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- (g) Evacuation of the regulated stand (including assisting people with mobility issues), the location of assembly points, and specific action required by individual members of staff
 - (h) Familiarisation with all escape routes and the methods of maintaining such escape routes free of obstruction.
 - (i) The purpose of fire resisting doors and the need to maintain them in the closed position and
 - (j) The importance of fire evacuation training.
- E.4.2 The Holder shall carry out evacuation exercises at least twice a year. The Holder shall notify the Fire Brigade, Police and Chief Ambulance Officer when evacuation training will take place to enable them to observe the standard of staff training. Details of evacuation exercises shall be entered in a logbook.
- E.4.3 Details of all training and briefing for staff and Stewards shall be entered in a log-book.
- E.5 **Instruction Notices**
- E.5.1 Copies of Emergency Instructions, as specified in Appendix 8, shall each be displayed in clearly legible characters in the positions shown in the notices
- E.5.2 Each such notice shall be framed and glazed or otherwise protected against loss or defacement and shall be positioned so that it is not readily visible to the public.
- E.6 **Major Incident Plan**
- E.6.1 The Holder, in consultation with the local emergency services (Police, Fire and Ambulance Services), should ensure the drafting of an emergency or major incident plan.
- E.6.2 The major incident plan should identify areas for dealing with multiple casualties and identify access and egress routes as well as a rendezvous point for emergency access vehicles.

SCHEDULE F

BRIEFING, TESTING AND INSPECTION BY THE HOLDER

F.1 Introduction

F.1.1 The following training sessions, tests, and inspections shall be carried out by the Holder and records kept as specified. Any defect found because of those tests and inspections or otherwise shall be recorded in the Defects Log Book, which shall also record when the defect is discovered and when remedied.

F.1.2 All defects and deficiencies shall be reported to the Safety Officer as soon as is reasonably possible.

F.1.3 In this schedule, a 'competent person' in relation to the testing and certification of electrical systems and installations shall be one of the following:-

- A Chartered Electrical Engineer;
- A Member of the Electrical Contractors' Association;
- A Member of the Electrical Contractors' Association of Scotland; or
- An approved Contractor of the National Inspection Council for Electrical Installation Contracting.

F.2 Every Activity

F.2.1 Before a specified activity, the Holder shall:-

- (i) Inspect the general condition and state of maintenance of the regulated stand, paying particular attention to the condition of each terrace, stairway, exit routes, access routes and directional signage;
- (ii) Inspect all gangways and exit routes for obstructions and ensure that they are capable of being used to their full capacity;
- (iii) Examine each crush barrier and balustrade for corrosion, deformation, or any other visible weakness; test exit doors and gates to ensure that they are easily and fully openable;
- (iv) Remove and dispose of all potential missiles, rubbish and combustible waste and clear each exit, stairway, exit route, boiler room, electrical intake room, void and means of access for emergency vehicles; of goods, litter, combustible or flammable material and other obstruction;
- (v) Examine all exit doors and gates (including those in perimeter or radial fences) whether manually or electronically operated;

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- (vi) Inspect all voids beneath stands, all kitchens, food preparation areas, and all other areas particularly vulnerable to fire for combustible materials or other hazards;
 - (vii) Ensure that the required firefighting equipment is in position and available, and
 - (viii) Inspect first aid rooms and the equipment and supplies held there.
- F.2.2 The manually operated electrical fire warning system, automatic fire detection system, emergency telephones, radio communications systems, CCTV systems, and public address system shall be tested in accordance with the methods laid down in BS. 5839 Part 1 or relevant British Standard not more than 48 hours prior to a specified activity (including a test from the secondary source of power supply) and the results recorded in a logbook.
- F.2.3 Stewards shall be briefed on their general and emergency duties in accordance with Sections B.2.5, B.2.7, B.2.12 and E.4.1 and a record of the briefing kept in a logbook.
- F.2.4 The Holder shall liaise with the Police and the Fire Authority in accordance with Section B.4.1.
- F.2.5 After each specified activity, the Holder shall:-
- (i) Carry out a general visual inspection of the regulated stand for signs of damage and
 - (ii) Liaise with the Police Service to gain full benefit from any de-briefing about crowd control.
- F.3 **Every Month**
- F.3.1 Monthly inspections of extinguishers, spare gas cartridges, and replacement charges shall be carried out to ensure that extinguishers are in their correct positions and have not been discharged or suffered a pressure loss or damage. The results of the inspections shall be entered in a logbook.
- F.4 **Every Six Months**
- F.4.1 An inspection and 3-hour full load test of the escape lighting batteries shall be carried out by a competent person. A certificate with the test results shall be made available to the Council on request.
- Where self-contained battery operated escape luminaires are installed, the certificate shall confirm that each luminaire has been energised from its battery for 3 hours.
- F.4.2 An inspection of any electronic locking system shall be carried out by a recognised person.

F.5 Every Year

F.5.1 An examination of the boiler, calorifier, and all safety devices shall be carried out by a boiler insurance company and a certificate confirming that they are in a safe condition and shall be made available to the Council on request.

F.5.2 The emergency telephone system and public address system shall be tested by a competent person and a certificate confirming that they are in a satisfactory condition and shall be made available to the Council on request. .

F.5.3 All firefighting equipment shall be maintained and overhauled in accordance with BS 5274, BS 5306 : Parts 1 and 3, BS.EN3 and BS.7937 as appropriate, by a recognised person or company of Fire Engineers and a record kept. An inspection and maintenance certificate in respect of all fire fighting equipment at the sports ground and shall be made available to the Council on request.

NOTE: The British Approvals for Fire Equipment operates a scheme of registration of Companies to carry out maintenance of fire extinguishers under contract. The scheme is run by the British Standards Institution (BST Quality Assurance) through its "Registered Firms" Scheme.

F.5.4 Two evacuation-training sessions shall be carried out every 12 months in accordance with Section E.4.2 and the details recorded in a logbook.

F.5.5 Inspections shall be made of the regulated stands, including crush barriers, boundary walls, fences, gates and including all buildings, structures, components and installations, by a competent person as set out in Section F.5.6, or other similarly qualified professional, to ascertain their strength, stability and state of maintenance. A certificate of inspection shall be made available to the Council on request.

F.5.6 A 25% representative sample of crush barriers, handrails and other structural crown control elements shall be subject to an annual risk assessment as set out in Appendix 7. Each year, the sample shall be different so that all crush barriers and handrails are tested once every four years. The 25% sample shall not include any elements, which following inspection, are tested as a result of doubts as to their integrity. Any barrier failing the test procedure should be removed and replaced or strengthened and then re-tested A certificate of testing shall be made available to the Council on request. The certificate shall list and identify the items to which it refers and confirm that they are in such condition as to perform safely their required functions from the date of the Certificate. The risk assessment and testing of any barriers shall be carried out and the Certificate signed by one of the following:

A Chartered Structural Engineer, a Chartered Surveyor (Building Surveying Division) or a Chartered Civil Engineer.

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F.6 Every Five Years

F.6.1 Electrical Installations

The electrical installations shall be inspected and tested and a certificate, in the form prescribed in the current edition of the Regulations for Electrical Installations issued by the Institution for Electrical Engineers, shall be submitted to the Council at least once in every five years and not later than three months before the expiry date of the current certificate, or at such other time as is specified on the current certificate. The certificate shall confirm that the installation is in a safe working condition and shall be signed by a competent person.



SCHEDULE G

RECORDS AND CERTIFICATES

G.1 Records to be kept by the Holder

G.1.1 The Holder shall keep, separately, for a minimum period of six years, the following records that shall be made available for inspection by the Council's authorised Officers or representatives of the Football Licensing Authority at all reasonable times. (The Holder shall be responsible for the collation of the information required for the records from the relevant organisations.) Each record shall specify the name, status, and qualifications of any person carrying out a test, inspection, or remedial work.

- (i) A record of the number of spectators admitted to the regulated stand for a specified activity referred to in Appendix 4;
- (ii) A record of any accident or incident which causes injury, other than a playing injury, which is brought to the notice of the Holder and which occurs whilst the sports ground is in use for a specified activity;
- (iii) A record of the names of stewards on duty at each event and the positions allocated to them upon the regulated stand as specified in Sections B.2.1, B.2.6, B.2.9 and B.2.10;
- (iv) A record of details, including attendance, of each training session and pre-event briefing given to staff and stewards as specified in Section B.2.7 and Section E.4;
- (v) A record of the numbers and posts of all First-Aiders present on each occasion as specified in Section C.9.2 and the name of the crowd doctor as also specified in Section C.9.2
- (vi) A record of each evacuation exercise as specified in Section E.4.2;
- (vii) A record of tests of emergency telephones, fire alarms and automatic fire detectors and public address system as specified in Sections F.2.2., F.3.1, and F.5.2 and Section E.2.4;
- (viii) A record of tests of fire fighting equipment as specified in Sections E2 and F2.2;
- (ix) A record of tests of the escape lighting;
- (x) A record of tests of the turnstiles and monitoring system as specified in Section F.2;
- (xi) A record of each inspection carried out at the sports ground to ensure compliance with Section F.2.1;

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- (xii) A record of a Defects Log Book of any defect relating to the safety of the regulated stand, however discovered, including a record of when such defect has been remedied;
 - (xiii) The Clubs Safety Policy, including who, of the Clubs Board of Directors has overall responsibility for safety.
 - (xiv) A record of the certificates required to be submitted to the Council under Section G.2.1 below.
- G.1.2 The Holder shall ensure that all records are kept fully up to date in a tamper proof form. The records shall be kept together in the Safety Officer's room along with a copy of this certificate and its related documentation.
- G.2 Certificates to Be Submitted by the Holder to the Council**
- G.2.1 The Holder shall submit the following certificates to the Council:
- (i) An escape-lighting battery test report as specified in Section F.4.1, once in every 6 months;
 - (ii) A certificate of examination of boiler calorifiers etc., as specified in Section F.5.1, once in every 12 months;
 - (iii) A certificate of structural safety as specified in Section F.5.5 once in every 12 months;
 - (iv) A certificate of satisfactory risk assessment and where necessary load testing as specified in Section F.5.6, once in every 12 months.
 - (v) A certificate of inspection for the public address installation once in every 12 months;
 - (vi) A certificate of inspection of the emergency telephone system once in every 12 months;
 - (vii) A certificate of inspection of all fire fighting equipment as specified in Section F.5.3 at least once in every 12 months; and
 - (viii) A certificate of inspection of the electrical installation as specified in Section F.6.1, at least once in every five years.
 - (ix) A certificate of inspection of the fire detection and fire warning systems as specified in F.2.2 every 12 months.

APPENDIX 1

INDEX OF KEY LOCATIONS

Key locations as specified in Plan No. 1

<u>Description</u>	<u>Location</u>
A. Safety Officer's Control Point	Under Main Stand (East end)
B. First Aid rooms	Under Main Stand & porta-Cabin between the Main Stand and the Jack Carr Stand.



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APPENDIX 2

FIRST AID EQUIPMENT & AMBULANCE PROVISION

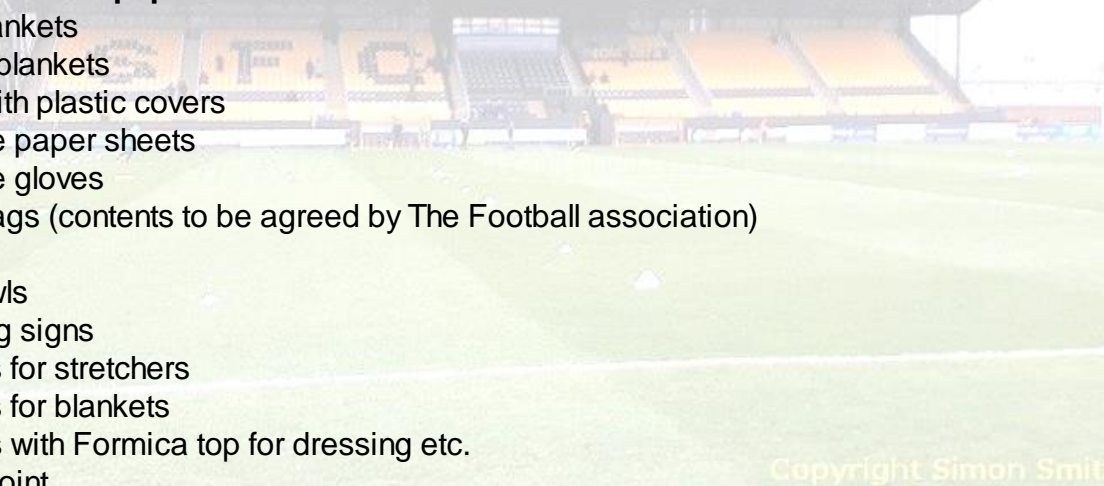
Anticipated attendance	Minimum paramedic ambulance provision	Statutory ambulance officer	Statutory ambulance authority vehicles
0 – 5,000	1	1	0
5001 – 10,000	1	1	1

The paramedic ambulance(s) may be supplied by a statutory ambulance authority or a competent private source.

First Aid Room location:

The first aid rooms are located in the Main Stand and a porta-cabin between Main Stand & Jack Carr Stand.

First Aid Room Equipment:



12 wool blankets
12 cellular blankets
6 pillows with plastic covers
Disposable paper sheets
Disposable gloves
6 snatch bags (contents to be agreed by The Football association)
Buckets
Plastic bowls
No smoking signs
Cupboards for stretchers
Cupboards for blankets
Cupboards with Formica top for dressing etc.
1 electric point
Paper cups and dispenser
Paper towels and dispenser
Supply of black plastic bags for normal rubbish
Yellow plastic bags for medical waste
(These last two items must be disposed of in the correct manner by the Holder)
An internal telephone
Direct communications with the Safety Officer
Stainless steel sink with adequate drainage
A hot and cold water supply and basin with adequate drainage
A drinking water supply
Hypochlorite disinfectant effective against H.I.V., Hepatitis B etc. and a list of local receiving hospitals.

APPENDIX 3

SCHEDULE OF FIRE APPLIANCES

<u>POSITION</u>	<u>EXTINGUISHERS</u>				<u>OTHER</u>		
	9 Litre Water Type*	9 Litre Foam	CO ₂ - 2.2kg	Dry Power 7 kg	45m Hose Reel	30m Hose Reel	Fire Blanket
EACH MOBILE/ STATIC REFRESHMENT STALL/ VEHICLE	0	0	1 or	1	0	0	1

*Water type = Soda acid or water / gas expelled.

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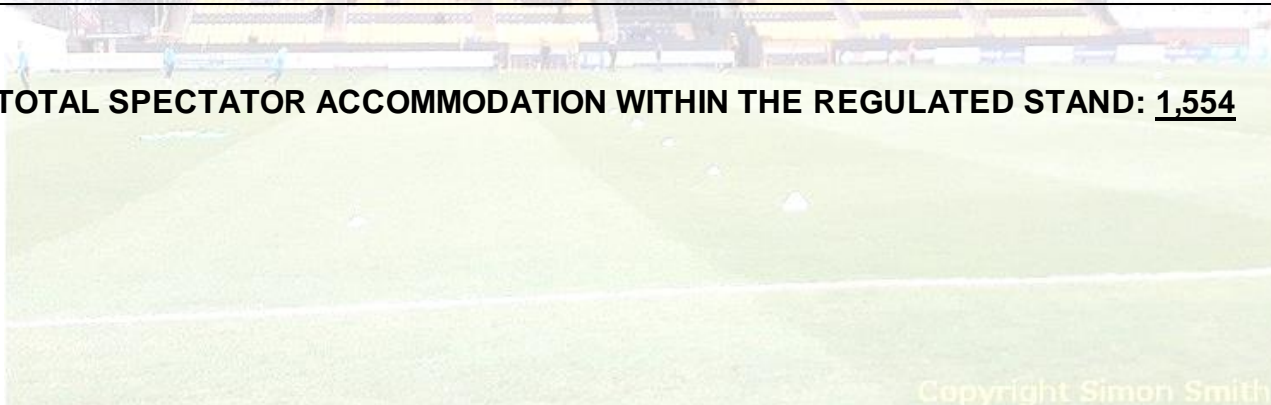
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PERMITTED NUMBERS OF SPECTATORS

The maximum number of spectators that may be admitted to each part of the sports ground at any one time shall be restricted to: -

	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>Number of Spectators</u>	
		<u>Seated</u>	<u>Standing</u>
1.	THE MAIN STAND	1,554	
	TOTAL	1,554	

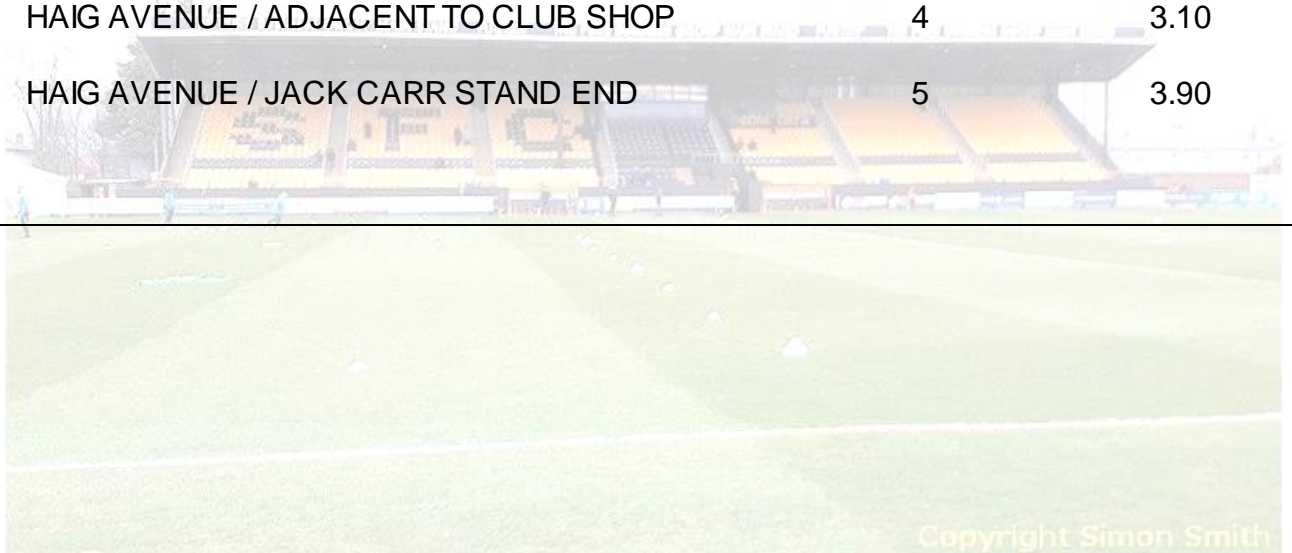
TOTAL SPECTATOR ACCOMMODATION WITHIN THE REGULATED STAND: 1,554



APPENDIX 5

EXIT GATES, DOOR NUMBERS AND WIDTH OF EXITS

<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>Gate numbers</u>	<u>Clear opening width (m)</u>
HAIG AVENUE / BLOWICK END	1	3.35
HAIG AVENUE / ADJACENT TO EAST END OF MAIN STAND	2	1.30
HAIG AVENUE / ADJACENT TO WEST END OF MAIN STAND	3	1.30
HAIG AVENUE / ADJACENT TO CLUB SHOP	4	3.10
HAIG AVENUE / JACK CARR STAND END	5	3.90



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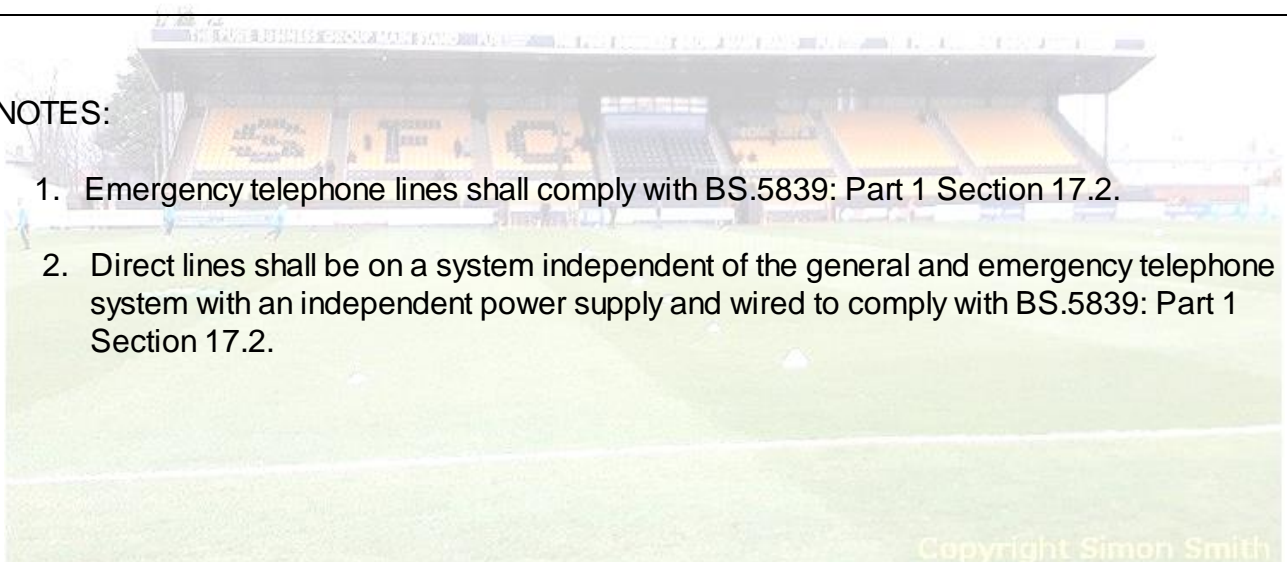
LOCATION OF EMERGENCY AND CONFERENCE TELEPHONES

SCHEDULE OF TELEPHONES

<u>TYPE</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>NUMBER</u>
DIRECT LINE	SAFETY OFFICER'S / SECRETARY.S OFFICE	1
DIRECT LINE	PRESS BOX IN MAIN STAND	1
DIRECT LINE	BAR BELOW MAIN STAND	1

NOTES:

1. Emergency telephone lines shall comply with BS.5839: Part 1 Section 17.2.
2. Direct lines shall be on a system independent of the general and emergency telephone system with an independent power supply and wired to comply with BS.5839: Part 1 Section 17.2.



APPENDIX 7

TEST LOADS AND STRUCTURAL TESTING PROCEDURES FOR BARRIERS ETC.

TEST LOADS AND TESTING

		DESIGN/LOAD (kN/m)			
A. Handrails, Balustrading, Fences, Guard Rails					
At right angles to direction of flow and radial barriers		3.0			
Handrails parallel to direction of flow only		2.0			
B. Crush Barriers					
angle of terrace of viewing slope	horizontal distance between crush barriers				
5°	5.0m	4.0m	3.3m	3.0m	2.0m
10°	4.3m	3.4m	2.9m	2.6m	1.7m
15°	3.8m	3.0m	2.6m	2.3m	1.5m
20°	3.4m	2.7m	2.3m	2.0m	1.3m
25°	3.1m	2.5m	2.1m	1.8m	1.2m
Horizontal imposed load	5.0 KN/M length	4.0 KN/M length	3.4 KN/m length	3.0 KN/m length	2.0 KN/m length
C. Pitch Perimeter Wall			Copyright Simo Smith		
D. Boundary fences and walls parallel to direction of flow		2.0			
E. Crowd segregation fence parallel to direction of flow		2.0			
F. Crowd segregation fence and gates at right angles to direction of flow		5.0			
G. Balustrading, guarding to rear of the stand.		2.0			
H. NOTES:					
(i) All barriers (including crush barriers), fences, walls and gates should be subject to an annual risk assessment. Every barrier identified by the risk assessment as a potential risk should be tested immediately.					

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- (ii) The risk assessment (which, in practice, will be carried out in a similar fashion to an annual inspection) should be conducted and recorded by a Chartered Structural Engineer, Chartered Civil Engineer or Chartered Surveyor (Building Surveying Division) of the appropriate skill and experience. It should take into account all relevant recommendations in the Guide to Safety at Sports Grounds combined with a detailed appraisal of each of the following specific considerations:-
- a) any available recorded information concerning the barrier's design compliance.
 - b) the adequacy of the barrier's construction.
 - c) the age of the barrier.
 - d) any visual evidence of weakening or general deterioration of the barrier, including signs of corrosion, cracks, holes, misalignment, undue distortion, missing bolts or fittings.
 - e) the barrier's exposure to moisture.
 - f) the barrier's location within the sports ground.

Those barriers which need to be tested immediately might include those whose theoretical strength is interminable, those which have suffered visible decay and those where there is potential for undetected deterioration.

- (iii) The Holder is responsible for appointing a competent person to undertake and record the results of the risk assessment of barriers.

(iv) **Barrier Tests - Personnel and Equipment**

Having conducted the risk assessment and determined which barriers, if any, require testing, it is then the responsibility of the Holder to ensure that the tests are carried out immediately.

The Holder is further responsible for ensuring that the testing is carried out by, or under the supervision of, a competent person of the appropriate skill and experience.

The competent person will then be responsible for ensuring that the tests are properly carried out and that all results are accurately recorded.

The competent person must be satisfied that the equipment used for the testing is suitable for the purposes and is used in the correct manner.

- (v) The equipment used should be capable of a level of accuracy of 5 per cent of the test load.

The deflection measuring equipment should be calibrated and be capable of a level of accuracy that reflects the magnitude of the deflections being measured.

(vi) **Barrier Tests - Records**

Detailed written records should be made and kept of all observations, loadings, and deflection/recovery readings in respect of each barrier tested. The documentation should include a standard record sheet including the following information:

- a) The identity of each barrier tested.
- b) Its location, including a cross-reference to the ground plan.
- c) The date of inspection.
- d) All relevant results and comments arising from the test.
- e) A clear statement as to whether the barrier has passed or failed.

(vii) **Barrier Tests - Methodology**

The test method for barriers should be in two parts:

- a) The 'bedding-in' cycle.
- b) The proof cycle.

In each part, an evenly distributed force shall be applied horizontally on the top rail of the barrier or handrail at right angles to the longitudinal axis and applied in increments.

Crush barriers and handrails that do not fulfil the requirements of both parts shall be deemed to have failed the test.

The deflection measuring equipment shall be properly set up on a firm part of the terraces, stairway, etc. and should be unaffected by any movement of the barriers, their supports, or the movements of personnel performing the test.

The deflections in the horizontal plane should be measured at relevant locations; for example, at the centre of a barrier or handrail span (when testing the rail) or the top of an upright (if testing the upright).

The loading procedure adopted shall result in each component part of any barrier being subject to levels of stress at least equal to the stresses that would occur were the structure subjected to the relevant uniformly distributed load at a design level of 1.1m.

(viii) **Barrier Tests - Bedding-In Cycle**

In order to allow for bedding-in of the test equipment and any frictional restraints, the barrier or handrail should be loaded up to its horizontal imposed load as defined in

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table above. The bedding-in load should be applied in at least five equal increments and then removed. Deflections should be monitored at each increment of the load cycle and upon removal of the load. The maximum force shall be maintained for 5 minutes. The barrier may be considered to have satisfactory completed this part of the test if, on removal of the load, the recovery is at least 75% of the maximum deflection, as measured from the original position prior to loading, or if the permanent deflection is less than 2mm.

If the barrier fails to achieve this level of recovery, it shall be considered to have failed the test unless there is a satisfactory explanation for the results.

(ix) **Barrier Tests - Proof Cycle**

The proof cycle is to consist of two consecutive applications of the proof load. The interval between each application shall be such as to enable complete unloading.

For all barriers, fences, walls, gates, balustrading and guarding, the proof load are equal to 1.2 x the horizontal imposed load specified in the above table.

The application of the proof load should consist of five equal increments.

The full proof load shall be maintained for five minutes and then removed.

A record shall be kept of:

- a) the deflection at each load increment.
- b) the deflection after the five minute application of the full proof load.
- c) the residual deflection after removal of the load.

The procedure is then repeated.

If, on removal of the load after the second application, the recovery is at least 95 per cent in any measured deflection (as measured from the barrier position at the start of the proof test cycle - that is, after the bedding-in cycle), the barrier should be considered to have satisfied the proof cycle loading requirement.

(x) **Barrier Tests - Further Considerations**

Comparisons should be made with the records available from previous testing of the barrier.

Comparison should also be made with the performance of other barriers of a similar type subjected to the same or similar tests. This is to establish whether there are indications of a reduction in overall performance, perhaps indicative of a developing weakness that necessitates either remedial action or more regular testing or inspection than the minimum.

If the barrier satisfies the requirements of the testing procedure, but during that procedure doubt arises as to its safety, for any reason (including such matters as

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corrosion, distortion of connections and fittings, or cracking in the vicinity of supports), a further detailed investigation should be carried out. Unless the results of this detailed investigation remove the doubt as to the safety of the barrier or handrail, the barrier should be deemed to have failed.

(xi) **Barrier Tests Resulting in Failure**

A barrier failing the test procedure should be removed and replaced, or strengthened and then retested.



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APPENDIX 9

LOCATION AND NUMBER OF STEWARDS

<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>Number of Stewards</u>	
	<u>Where more than 1500 spectators</u>	<u>Where less than 1500 spectators</u>
<u>GATES</u>		
1. Haig Avenue/Blowick End	1	1
2. Haig Avenue/Adjacent to East of Main Stand	1	1
3. Haig Avenue/Adjacent to West of Main Stand	1	1
4. Haig Avenue/Scarisbrick End (Extreme end)	1	1
<u>THE CONTROL AND DIRECTION OF SPECTATORS ENTERING & LEAVING THE GROUND</u>		
1. Area adjacent to turnstiles on west of Main Stand	1	1
2. Area adjacent to turnstiles on east of Main Stand	1	1
<u>THE MAIN GRANDSTAND</u>		
1. Steps at the west end	1	1
2. Steps at the east end	1	1
3. Steps adjacent to players tunnel (1 per set of steps)	1	2
4. Directors boxes	0	1
<u>PATROLLING THE PERIMETER OF THE PITCH AND MANNING GATES ONTO THE PITCH</u>		
	4	2
<u>FREE STANDING AREAS (When used)</u>		
1. South of Jack Carr Stand	2	0
2. North of Jack Carr Stand	2	0
3. West of Main Stand	2	0
Safety Officer	1	1
TOTAL	22	12

APPENDIX 10

PROVISION OF EQUIPMENT WITHIN CONTROL CENTRES

SAFETY OFFICERS ROOM

1. Direct Telephone Line
2. Public Address System (Loud Hailer)
3. Emergency Lighting
4. Map of Ground



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APPENDIX 11

SPECIFIED ACTIVITIES

ACTIVITIES COVERED BY THE CERTIFICATE

The activities covered by this Certificate are as follows:-

CATEGORY A

Association football

Rugby

Cricket

Field & track sports and athletic displays

NOTE:

Attention is drawn to the requirements of B.4.1 and B.4.2 of Schedule B relating to Police attendance.

Any pre-event entertainment, including live music and dancing, shall not be commenced until the gates to the sports ground have been opened for the admittance of the public to the activities listed above and covered by the terms and conditions of the Certificate.

Any other entertainment event held at the sports ground where the expected attendance will be in excess of 500, should be reported to the Sefton Events Safety Advisory Group at least 2 months prior to the event date. Depending on the nature of the event, Management of the sports ground may be expected to produce a separate and specific risk assessment /event action plan.

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POLICE FACILITIES

A MOBILE CONTROL ROOM AT THE DISCRETION OF MERSEYSIDE POLICE.

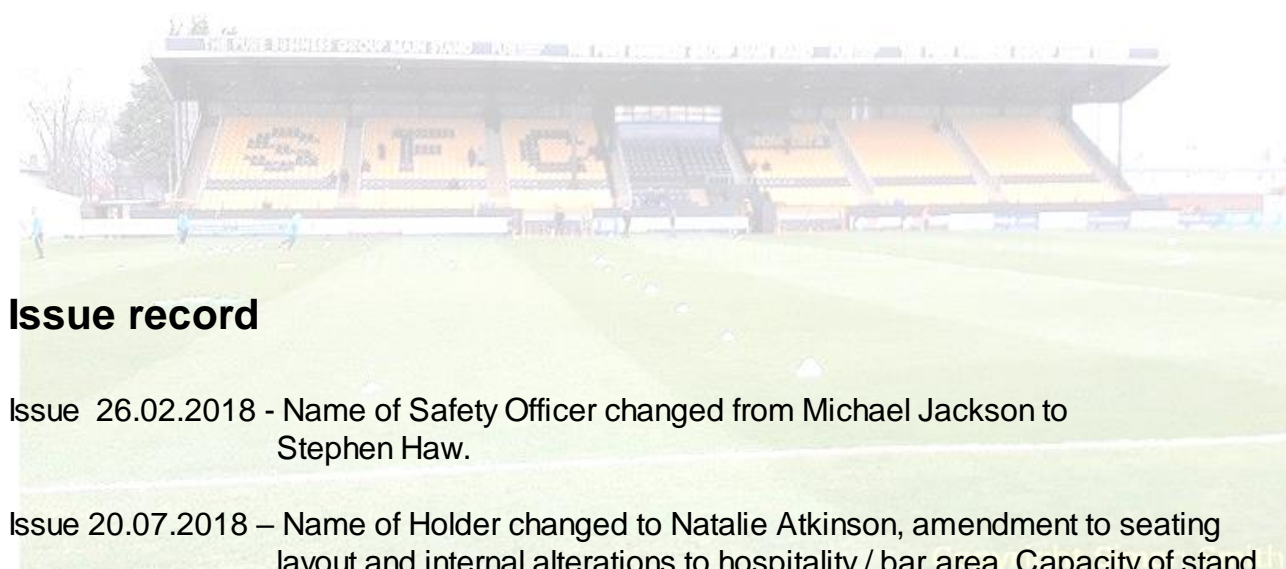


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GENERAL STAND/GROUND ARRANGEMENT DRAWINGS

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No. 1	Site plan	SAFETY OFFICER'S CONTROL POINT
No. 2	Stand layout	SAFETY OFFICER'S CONTROL POINT



Issue record

Issue 26.02.2018 - Name of Safety Officer changed from Michael Jackson to Stephen Haw.

Issue 20.07.2018 – Name of Holder changed to Natalie Atkinson, amendment to seating layout and internal alterations to hospitality / bar area. Capacity of stand reduced and amended guidance on stewarding / alcohol sales / ticketing arrangements included.

Issue xx.01.2019 - Name of Safety Officer changed from Stephen Haw to Steve Scott and capacity increased to 1,568. (NOT ISSUED – additional seating not installed)

Issue 01.04.2018 – Name of Certificate holder changed from Natalie Atkinson to James Tedford. Stand capacity remains as 1,554 - as planned additional seating installation works not carried out.

Issue 14.06.2021 – Name of Certificate holder changed from James Tedford to Frank Hughes. Named safety officer removed.

Issue 30.11.2022 – Name of Certificate holder changed from Frank Hughes to 'Board of Directors'. Named Safety Officer (Stephen Scott) included. Reference

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made to a requirement of the Club to maintain a Safety Policy stating who of the Board of Directors has overall responsibility for safety.



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Merseyrail Community Stadium
Southport Football Club
Haig Avenue

CERTIFICATE NUMBER 1

ISSUED 30th November 2022

SAFETY AT SPORTS GROUNDS ACT 1975

**FIRE SAFETY AND SAFETY OF
PLACES OF SPORT
ACT 1987**

GENERAL SAFETY CERTIFICATE

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INFORMATION

i It is important to know all the provisions of the Safety of Sports Grounds Act 1975, and Fire Safety and Safety of Places of Sports Act 1987 which are relevant to stadia within its scope. These are explained, without legal force, in the booklet "Guide to Safety at Sports Grounds" (latest edition), obtainable from Her Majesty's Stationery Office. The following points are particularly important but reference should be made to those Acts or the authoritative information.

ii **Right of Entry and Inspection**

Section 11 of the Safety of Sports Grounds Act 1975 gives to authorised officers the power to enter and inspect a regulated stand within a sports ground and to make any enquiries as are considered necessary for the purposes of the Act. Authorised officers also have power to examine records of attendance at the ground and records relating to the maintenance of safety at the ground.

iii **Alterations and Extensions**

Section 8 of the Safety of Sports Grounds Act 1975 and Section 32 of the Fire Safety and Safety of Places of Sports Act 1987 requires notices to be given to the Council before work is commenced to any proposed alteration or extension to the regulated stand.

iv **Offences and Penalties**

For the following offences, that is to say:

(a) Contravening any term or condition of this certificate, admitting spectators to the regulated stand at a time when a safety certificate is not in force or in contravention of a Court Order, the penalty is, on summary conviction, a fine not exceeding £2,000 or, on conviction on indictment, a fine or imprisonment for a term not exceeding two years, or both.

(b) Failing to give notice of an alteration or extension to the regulated stand or obstructing an authorised officer, the penalty is on summary conviction, a fine not exceeding £2,000.

v **Prohibition Notices**

Section 10 of the Safety of Sports Grounds Act 1975 (as amended) provides that if the local authority are of the opinion that the admission of spectators to the regulated stand or any part of the sports ground involves or will involve a risk to them so serious that, until steps have been taken to reduce it to a reasonable level, admission of

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spectators to the regulated stand or that part of the ground ought to be prohibited or restricted, the Authority may serve a notice (referred to as a “prohibition notice”) on the Holder of the general safety certificate or the person responsible for the management of the ground prohibiting or restricting the admission of spectators.

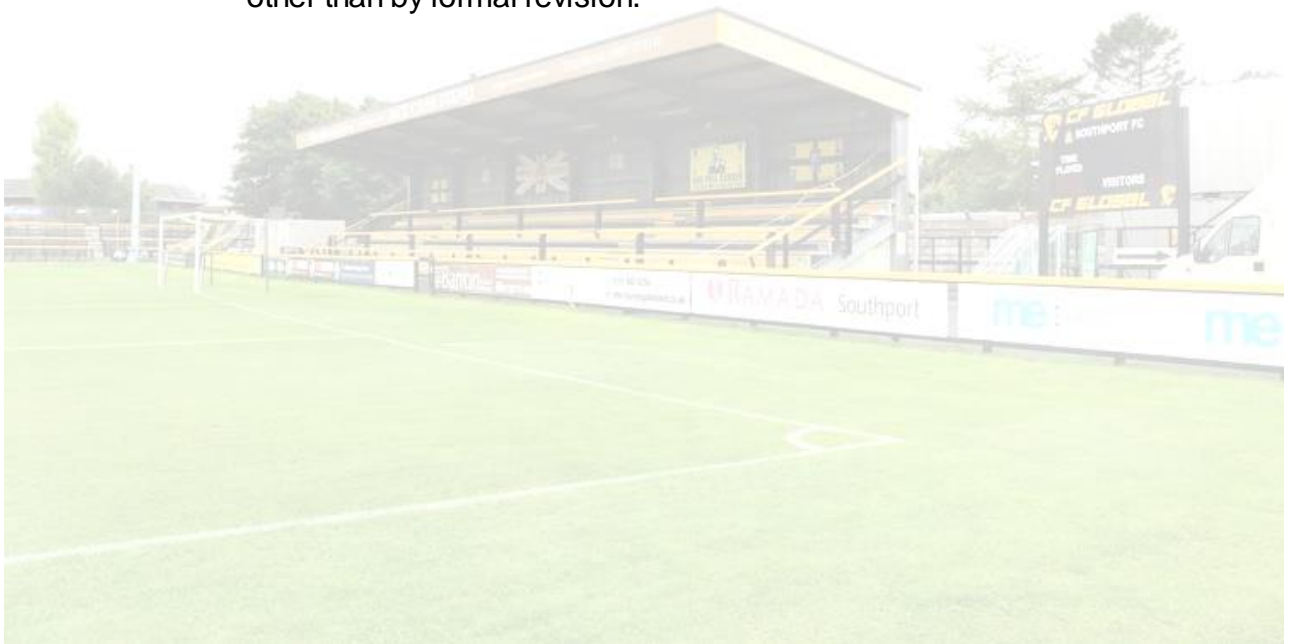
vi **Appeals**

Section 5(3) of the Safety of Sports Grounds Act 1975(as amended) and Section 30 of the Fire Safety and Safety of Places of Sports Act 1987 provides that an interested party may appeal to a Magistrates’ Court against the inclusion of anything in, or the omission of anything from, a safety certificate.

vii **Transfer of Certificate**

If the Holder of the safety certificate ceases to be the person responsible for the management of the ground, an application must be made to the Council for the transfer of the certificate to some other qualified person.

NOTE: No variation of the terms and conditions of the certificate will be permitted other than by formal revision.



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GENERAL SAFETY CERTIFICATE

Jack Carr Stand, Southport F.C.

1. In exercise of the powers conferred by the Safety of Sports Grounds Act 1975 and in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Fire Safety and Safety of Places of Sports Act 1987, hereinafter referred to as “the Act”, and all other enabling powers, the Metropolitan Borough of Sefton (“the Council”),

hereby issues to: **The Board of Directors of Southport Football Club** (“the Holder”),

this General Safety Certificate in respect of **Jack Carr Stand, Southport F.C., Haig Avenue, Southport**, being a stand which the Council have determined to be a regulated stand as defined by Section 6 of the Act.
2. This Certificate includes the Appendices, Schedules, Reports and Drawings attached hereto.
3. The words used in this Certificate and the Schedules attached hereto shall have the meaning assigned to them by the Safety of Sports Grounds Act 1975, the Fire Safety and Safety of Places of Sport Act 1987 and Schedule A.
4. The Holder shall retain control over the whole and each part of the regulated stand and shall take all necessary precautions for the reasonable safety of spectators upon the regulated stand. The responsibility for the safety of spectators upon the regulated stand lies at all times with the Holder, who shall produce a written statement of safety policy.
5. The Holder shall ensure compliance with the terms and conditions of this certificate at all times the sports ground is in use for a specified activity.
6. The Holder shall notify the Council in writing within 14 days before any change of circumstances affecting this certificate.
7. The Holder shall produce a plan of action to deal with emergencies in consultation with the Police, Fire Authority, Ambulance Service, and the Council. The plan of action shall cover all reasonably foreseeable contingencies and shall identify appropriate individuals and their respective tasks, including precautions against electrical or mechanical failure.

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8. The use of the regulated stand for spectator events under this General Safety Certificate is restricted to those activities specified in Appendix 11, and is subject to the terms and conditions set out in this Certificate.
9. The Holder shall give Notice to the Council, Police, Fire Authority and Ambulance Service of all forthcoming specified activities, and in particular, not less than 2 months' notice before the regulated stand is used for any other activity and the Council's consent obtained and any conditions complied with before such use.
10. The Holder shall ensure that the maximum number of spectators that may be admitted at any one time to the regulated stand and to each part thereof shall not exceed the capacities specified in Appendix 4 and shall also ensure that the measures for controlling crowds prescribed in this certificate are observed.
11. The Holder shall provide equipment, permanent staff, stewards and others, and shall monitor, direct, guide, control and assist spectators during specified activities and as set out in Schedule B.
12. The Holder shall provide first aid and medical staff, equipment, facilities and accommodation as set out in Schedule C and Appendix 2.
13. The Holder shall ensure that the regulated stand, including means of ingress and egress, and all installations, including electrical, mechanical and heating, referred to in this Certificate are at all relevant times maintained unobstructed in good repair and in such condition as to fulfil safely their required functions and shall comply with the requirements of Schedule D. The Holder shall also control the use of the regulated stand and installations in such a manner that spectators are not put at risk.
14. The Holder shall take all reasonable precautions to prevent the outbreak and spread of fire, shall maintain equipment and train staff to deal with an outbreak of fire, and shall comply with the requirements of Schedule E.
15. The Holder shall carry out the inspections and testing detailed in Schedule F at the frequency indicated, or such shorter period as may be necessary to ensure the reasonable safety of spectators, and the results of the inspections and testing shall be recorded.
16. The Holder shall keep the records specified in Schedule G and those records shall be made available for inspection by the Council's authorised officer's at all reasonable times.
17. The Holder shall obtain and submit to the Council the certificates specified in Schedule G.
18. The Holder shall be responsible for safety policy and its implementation and for the appointment of the Safety Officer listed in clause 19 below.
19. The Holder has nominated **Stephen Scott** as Safety Officer who will be in charge of the regulated grandstand during the whole time it is in use for any specified activities within category ("A") of Appendix 11.

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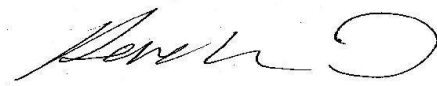
20. The Holder may nominate a replacement Safety Officer or nominate a replacement Deputy Safety Officer, which nominations shall be subject to agreement by the Council. The nominations shall be made to the Council in writing.
21. This Certificate is only valid while there is a nominated Safety Officer whose nomination has been agreed by the Council.
22. No alteration or addition shall be made to the regulated stand or its structure or installations or any other part thereof without the prior written consent of the Council. Execution of any work for which consent has been granted shall be carried out to the satisfaction of the Council.
23. Written notice shall be given to the Council of any proposed alteration or addition, and such notice shall be accompanied by two sets of:
 - (B) Drawings at a scale of 1: 100; and
 - (b) Such other drawings and calculations as are necessary to give full details, or are further required by the Council.
24. This Certificate is issued without prejudice to other legislation controlling the construction or use of the regulated grandstand or sports ground or buildings or otherwise affecting the Holder and does not invalidate any statutory obligation upon the Holder. The specific requirements of this certificate shall not be regarded as the limit of the obligation placed on the Holder to take all necessary precautions for the reasonably safety of spectators admitted to the regulated stand.
25. A joint inspection of the regulated stand must be carried out at twelve monthly intervals to amend or revise requirements of this certificate considered necessary by the Council.
26. The joint inspection referred to in item 25 above must be carried out by the Holder of the certificate, representatives from the Police, Ambulance and Fire Authorities and the Council on a date which is mutually acceptable to all parties.
27. The Holder shall allow any authorised officers of the Council, the Fire Authority, the Ambulance Service and the Police Authority full access to the regulated stand for the exercise of their duties during any specified activity. The Holder shall also allow access to such authorised officers at other reasonable times to ensure that the conditions of this Safety Certificate have not been contravened.
28. The Holder must ensure that the evacuation of all persons in an emergency from the regulated stand is in strict accordance with the Club's evacuation/ management strategy document/statement, as detailed in Appendix 8.
29. The Holder must ensure that no waste materials or temporary concessions are located within the vicinity of the regulated stand which could affect the safe and rapid dispersal away from the regulated stand of all persons in an emergency.
30. The Holder shall draw up and keep up to date plans showing the layout of the regulated stand, sports ground, buildings, equipment and all details considered

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necessary by the Council in connection with the Safety Certificate and shall upon request supply the Council with copies on plastic draughting film or electronically in a pdf format.

31. This Certificate will be reviewed by the Council as part of its annual inspection.

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Head of Planning Services
(The Officer appointed for this purpose)

30th November 2022

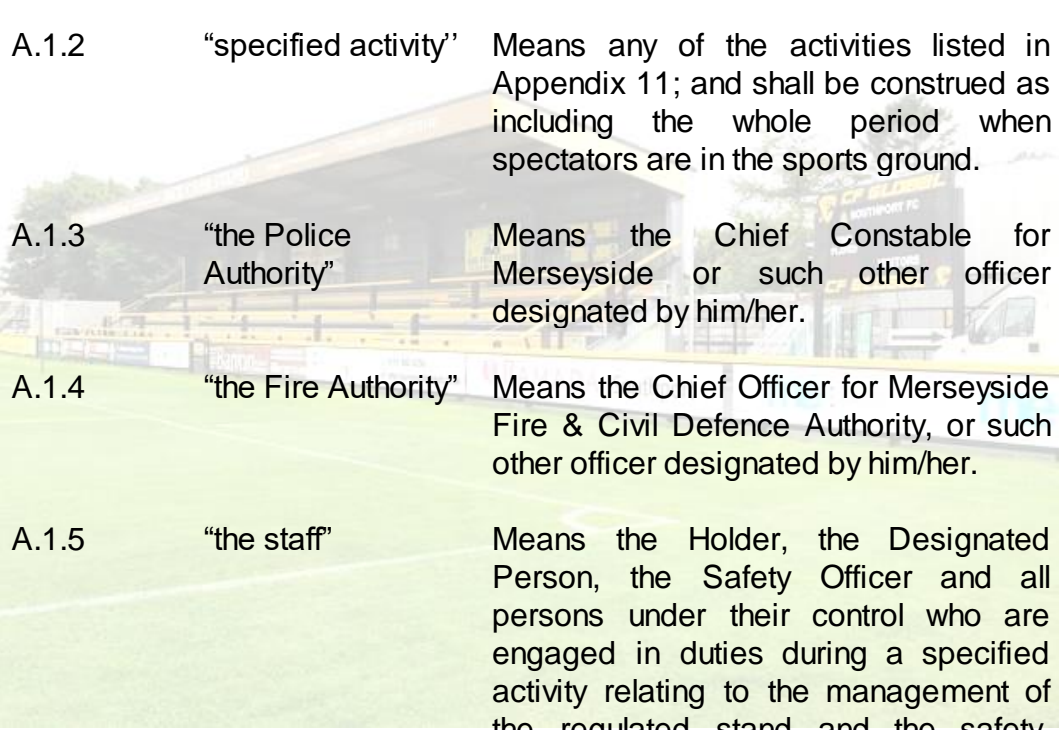


SCHEDULE A

DEFINITIONS

A.1

Definitions

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- A.1.1 “the Holder” Means the person determined by the Council as being in a position to prevent contravention of the terms and conditions of this certificate, referred to as the person who qualifies for the issue of a General Safety Certificate in Section 28 of the Act or another responsible person as defined by Section 36(3) of the Act.
- A.1.2 “specified activity” Means any of the activities listed in Appendix 11; and shall be construed as including the whole period when spectators are in the sports ground.
- A.1.3 “the Police Authority” Means the Chief Constable for Merseyside or such other officer designated by him/her.
- A.1.4 “the Fire Authority” Means the Chief Officer for Merseyside Fire & Civil Defence Authority, or such other officer designated by him/her.
- A.1.5 “the staff” Means the Holder, the Designated Person, the Safety Officer and all persons under their control who are engaged in duties during a specified activity relating to the management of the regulated stand and the safety, direction and control of spectators, and shall include those staff employed by franchise holders etc.
- A.1.6 “the plans” Means the documents attached to this Certificate marked “plans referred to in the General Safety Certificate” and any other document or documents that may be added thereto.
- A.1.7 “the regulated stand” Means a stand within the sports ground known as Merseyrail Community Stadium, Haig Avenue and the means of access to it as shown on Plan No. 1

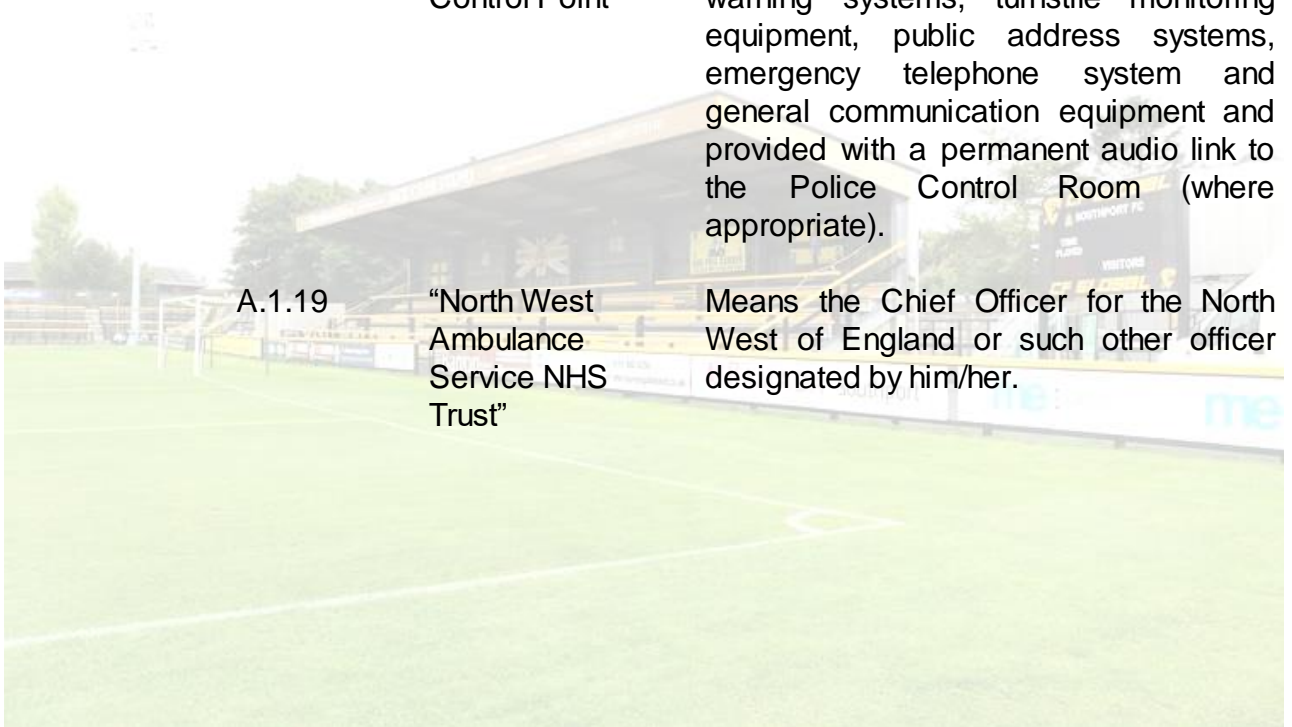
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attached to this certificate.

A.1.8	“fire resisting”	Means the construction is capable of resisting the action of fire for not less than half-an-hour, or such other period as may be specified by the Council in accordance with the conditions of test of the appropriate part of BS.476 current at the date of this Certificate.
A.1.9	“non-combustible”	Means material capable of being classified as non-combustible if subjected to the test for non-combustibility prescribed in the appropriate part of BS.476 current at the date of this Certificate, or such other material or combination of materials as the Council accepts as being non-combustible.
A.1.10	“surface spread of flame classification”	Means the class into which a material falls when tested for surface spread of flame in accordance with the appropriate part of BS 476 current at the date of this Certificate or as defined in the Approved Document to Part B (Fire Safety) of the Building Regulations 2010.
A.1.11	“normal lighting”	Means all lighting, other than escape lighting, permanently installed throughout the sports ground. The term may include purely decorative lighting, but not lighting installed solely for advertising purposes. Note: Also known as “General Lighting”
A.1.12	“maintained normal lighting”	Means a portion of the normal lighting which remains illuminated in the absence of natural daylight during specified activities to allow free movement within the sports ground and exits there from.
A.1.13	“emergency lighting”	Means lighting provided from a source independent of the normal lighting supply.
A. 1.14	“escape lighting”	Means the portion of emergency lighting, provided in the absence of natural daylight, to allow free movement within the sports ground and exits there from.

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- A.1.15 “maintained escape lighting” Means the system of escape lighting in which the lamps remain illuminated during specified activities to allow free movement within the sports ground and exits there from
- A.1.16 “non-maintained escape lighting” Means a system of escape lighting in which the lamps are illuminated automatically only on failure of the normal lighting supply.
- A.1.17 “emergency telephones” Means a monitored telephone system with dedicated telephone points around the sports ground and connected to the sports ground control room.
- A.1.18 “Safety Officer’s Control Point” Means a room containing fire alarm warning systems, turnstile monitoring equipment, public address systems, emergency telephone system and general communication equipment and provided with a permanent audio link to the Police Control Room (where appropriate).
- A.1.19 “North West Ambulance Service NHS Trust” Means the Chief Officer for the North West of England or such other officer designated by him/her.



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SCHEDULE B

STAFF AND CROWD CONTROL

B.1 Safety Officers

- B.1.1 The Safety Officer shall be responsible for ensuring that checks, inspections, testing, training, recording, remedial works and all matters relating to spectator safety are carried out promptly and effectively.
- B.1.2 The Safety Officer shall examine and sign all records that the Holder is required to maintain, and shall countersign all records required by Schedule G.
- B.1.3 The Duty Safety Officer (who shall be either the Safety Officer or the Deputy Safety Officer) shall be responsible on behalf of the Holder for all safety matters, inspections, tests and training immediately prior to, during, and after every specified activity. In addition, the Duty Safety Officer shall sign all records that are required by Schedule G of this Certificate to be made available before each specified activity.
- B.1.4 The Duty Safety Officer shall be easily identifiable and shall attend at the Safety Officer's Control Point. He/she shall not be engaged in any other task.
- B.1.5 The name of the Duty Safety Officer shall be displayed on a board adjacent to the Police Control Room before every specified activity.

B.2 Stewards

- B.2.1 Stewards should be fit and active, with the maturity, character and temperament to carry out the duties required of them. They should be able to understand and communicate verbal and written instructions in English. Stewards should be interviewed and where necessary, tested before appointment to ascertain that they are suitable individuals.
- B.2.2 Each Steward shall be readily recognisable with the same distinctly coloured and numbered surcoat or tabard (or such other clothing approved in advance by the Council) worn outside his/her clothing.
- B.2.3 Each Senior Steward shall be readily recognisable by the wearing of a surcoat or tabard that is distinctive from that worn by the Stewards.
- B.2.4 Each member of staff and each Steward shall be properly trained in his/her duties and in safety procedures in accordance with Sections B.2.5, B.2.7 and E.4.1 to ensure order and safety is maintained and be fit to carry out his/her duties. The Holder shall ensure that a Level 2 certificate of competency is provided to demonstrate that adequate training has been provided. Stewards should not work unaccompanied until they have attended four events as a steward and have completed the following units in the 'National Occupational Standards for Spectator Safety':-

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- (i) C29 – Prepare for spectator events.
- (ii) C35 – Deal with accidents and emergencies.
- (iii) C210 – Control the entry, exit and movement of people at spectator events.

Stewards should complete their training, assessment and qualification within 12 months of their employment.

Supervisors should receive additional training and ideally hold a Level 3 spectator safety qualification.

B.2.5 Stewards shall be responsible for:-

- (B) Controlling or directing spectators who are entering or leaving the regulated stand, to help achieve an even flow of people to the viewing areas;
- (b) To understand their responsibilities towards the health and safety of all categories of spectators (including those with disabilities and children), other stewards, ground staff and themselves.
- © Recognising crowd densities, signs of crowd distress and crowd dynamics so as to ensure the safe dispersal of spectators and the prevention of overcrowding, particularly on the seated and standing terraces and in hospitality areas;
- (d) Patrolling within and around the regulated stand to respond to emergencies, e.g. raising alarms or tackling the early stages of fires and take the necessary immediate action;
- © To understand the implementation of the evacuation and operational procedures for the regulated stand;
- (f) Staffing entrances, exits to and from the viewing accommodation and other strategic points, especially exit doors and exit gates/routes from the regulated stand that are not continuously open whilst the regulated stand is in use;
- (g) Searching spectators (under ground regulations; properly drawn to their attention);
- (h) Assisting Police as appropriate or as requested with crowd control.
- (B) Undertaking specific duties in an emergency or otherwise as directed by the Duty Safety Officer.
- (j) To carry out safety checks. Also to assist in the safe operation of the regulated stand, the sports ground and NOT to view the activity taking place.

B.2.6 For each self-contained compound or each terrace area there shall be a Steward (or, if appropriate, a Police Officer) whose sole duty is to monitor the crowd conditions in that area for possible overcrowding or distress and report in accordance with agreed procedures. Any Steward employed for this particularly duty must be provided with a

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personal radio providing immediate communication with the Duty Safety Officer and/or Police Control Room. This requirement shall not apply to any standing area where the attendance does not exceed one third of that area's maximum permitted capacity, or 2000, whichever is the lower.

- B.2.7 Before beginning duty at a specified activity, each Steward shall be briefed thoroughly, be handed a copy of his/her instructions and be made fully aware of his/her general responsibilities and his/her duties in the event of an emergency. Records shall be kept of such briefings as specified in Schedule G.
- B.2.8 No Steward shall leave his/her place of duty during a specified activity without the permission of the appropriate Senior Steward, who shall provide a replacement steward before the position is vacated.
- B.2.9 Stewards shall be located upon the regulated stand and particularly at key points where control is most needed, such as in gangways, vomitories, tops of staircases, gateways onto the pitch or providing access from one part of the ground to another and at each exit or entrance as appropriate.
- B.2.10 Each exit shall be staffed during a specified activity and shall be opened immediately in the event of an emergency and not less than ten minutes before the end of the event. Arrangements shall be made to allow spectators who wish to leave before the above time, to be directed to appropriate exit points, controlled so as to prevent other persons gaining unauthorised entry.
- B.2.11 Each Steward, attendant and member of staff shall be made aware of the provisions of Section 11 of the Safety of Sports Grounds Act, 1975 (as amended) which authorises certain Council Officers to enter and inspect the regulated stand at any reasonable time, upon production of written authorisation/warrant card.
- B.2.12 Stewards should be given suitable training, assigned and give assistance in an emergency to disabled persons, particularly those in wheelchairs, and implement the evacuation procedures within management/evacuation strategy for the regulated stand and the sports ground.
- B.2.13 A loudhailer shall be available for each Senior Steward.
- B.2.14 All staff and stewards shall be told before each specified activity of the location of the Safety Officer's Control Point and the name of the Duty Safety Officer on the day in question.
- B.2.15 The presence of uniformed police at each event where the specified activity is being undertaken shall be agreed with the Holder and Chief Constable of Merseyside prior to the event.

B.3. Disabled Persons

- B.3.1 Wheelchairs used by disabled persons shall be accommodated in the designated spectator areas. Persons who use a wheelchair shall either make their own way or be assisted by a helper to the designated refuge area and from this location be assisted by the stewards at their respective locations.

B.4. Crowd Control and Policing

B.4.1 Before each specified activity the Holder shall:-

(B) Consult with the Police regarding the general arrangements for that activity; and

(b) Notify the Police of every specified activity at least 35 days before such activity takes place when possible, or such shorter time as the Police may accept; and consult with him/her concerning the attendance of a sufficient numbers of Police Officers for the purpose of maintaining the safety of, and lawful and orderly behaviour among persons attending the sports ground.

B.4.2 The Holder shall secure, at the Holder's expense, the attendance at the sports ground of the appropriate number of Police Officers, as the Police deem appropriate.

B.4.3 The Holder shall use his best endeavours to enter into a written statement of intent with the Police setting out their respective responsibilities for crowd safety and control; and in particular for the filling of each self-contained compound or other terraced area and the monitoring of spectators in each compound or area to avoid overcrowding. Any variation in the statement must be agreed in writing in advance of the specified activity to which it is relevant. It should be noted that the Statement of Intent is not a contract but an agreement on respective areas of responsibility.

B.4.4 The Holder shall maintain Police facilities as specified in Appendix 12.

B.4.5. When considered necessary by the Police, the Holder shall permit entry only by ticket issued or sold before the day the regulated stand is used for that particular specified activity.

B.4.6 The number of tickets issued for the regulated stand shall not exceed the permitted capacity of that area less the number of season tickets issued for the regulated stand. Each ticket shall specify the gate/turnstile by which the ticket holder shall enter the sports ground to access the regulated stand. Also where possible, shall include a diagram showing the position of the regulated stand within the sports ground and position of all entrances and exits.

B.4.7 The Holder shall agree with the Council and the Police the methods to be used for the segregation of home and visiting spectators.

B.4.8 Sufficient turnstiles, as shown on Plan No. 1, shall be operated to allow the entry of all spectators to the regulated stand within the sports ground within one hour at a notional rate of 660 persons per turnstile, or such lower rate as may be determined by the Council. Each bank of turnstiles shall be individually and conspicuously identified by colour and number or letter visible to spectators approaching the ground. The colour, number or letter on each bank of turnstiles or turnstile shall

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correspond with the information given on the tickets issued for use at that bank of turnstiles or turnstile.

- B.4.9 A public address system shall be provided and operated by a person nominated by the Holder. The system shall be used for the carrying out of emergency evacuation procedures for the ground in accordance with Appendix 8, after consultation with the Senior Police Officer, Fire Authority Officer and North West Ambulance Service NHS Trust Officer.
- B.4.10 The public address system shall be capable of communicating information to areas both outside and inside the regulated stand. Important announcements shall be preceded by a loud audible signal and the arrangement prominently displayed in every programme.
- B.4.11 Each gate on an exit route and every gate in any pitch perimeter fence or radial fence, unless secured in the open position, shall be controlled by a Steward or Police Officer while spectators are in the regulated stand.
- B.4.12 The Holder shall ensure that spectator numbers entering the regulated stand do not exceed those described in Appendix 4 so that the Duty Safety Officer may give instructions immediately to close any gate, turnstile or entry route onto the regulated stand.
- B.4.13 Drinks may be sold or supplied in containers made of paper or plastics materials except:-
- (a) With the prior written consent of the Council; or
 - (b) Where drink is served at a table accompanying a meal; or
 - (c) In those parts of the ground not usually open to members of the general public.

Attention is drawn to the provision of the Sporting Events (Control of Alcohol) Act 1985 as amended by the Public Order Act 1986 (and subsequent revisions) as well as the Licensing Act 2003. Spectators should not be admitted to the ground in an inebriated condition and the Club should have measures in place to suspend the sale of alcohol should a general deterioration of behaviour be observed.

- B.4.14 Where and when it is considered necessary by the Police, no person shall be permitted to enter or remain in the regulated stand in possession of any glass bottle or metal can. The Holder shall take all reasonable steps to ensure that this condition is complied with. See also proviso to paragraph B.4.13 above.
- B.4.15 Television cameras, commentary points, camera gantries and the location of outside broadcast vans, for the broadcast or recording of specified activities, including cables and other portable equipment, shall be restricted to the positions indicated on the approved plans or as otherwise approved in writing by the Council.
- B.4.16 Means of ingress and egress and signage shall be maintained to the satisfaction of the Council to each part of the sports ground as shown on the attached plans and as referred to in Schedule D.1 to this Certificate.

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B.4.17 The parking of vehicles on the sports ground premises shall be restricted to the positions indicated on the approved plans or as otherwise approved in writing by the Council.

B.4.18 Copies of the Ground Regulations shall be framed or glazed or otherwise protected against loss or defacement and shall be displayed in prominent positions to be agreed with the Police.

B.5 Major Incident Plan

B.5.1 The Holder, in consultation with the local emergency services (Police, Fire and Ambulance Services), should ensure the drafting of an emergency or major incident plan.

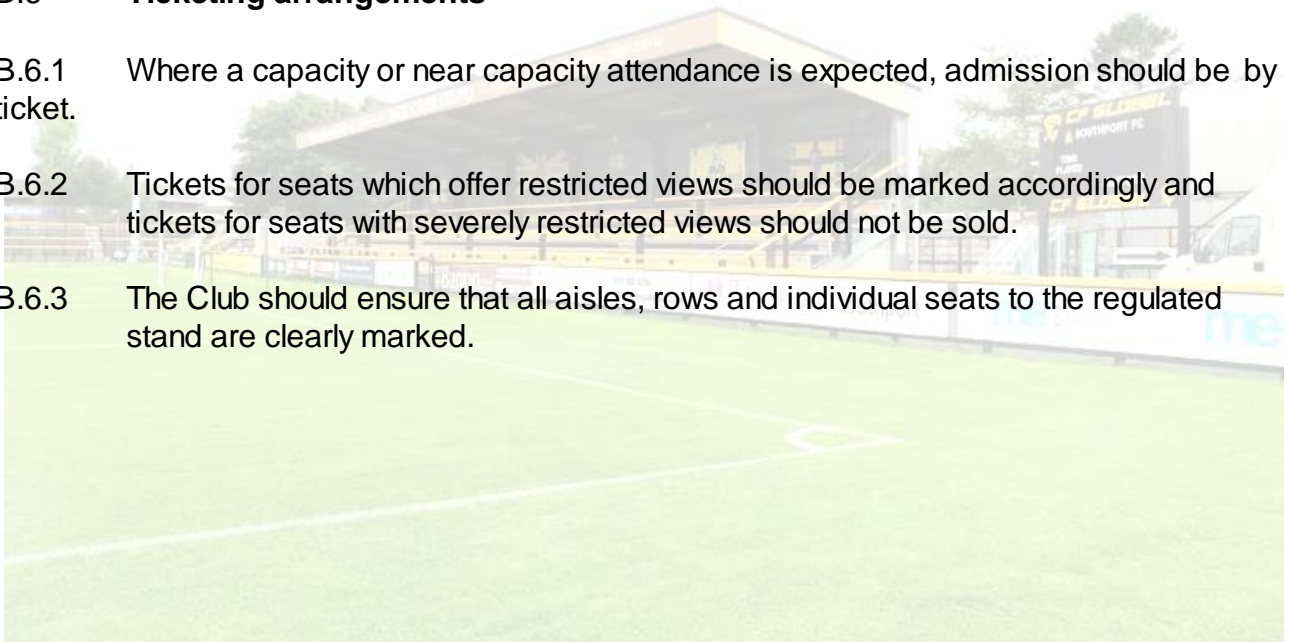
B.5.2 The major incident plan should identify areas for dealing with multiple casualties and identify access and egress routes as well as a rendezvous point for emergency access vehicles.

B.6 Ticketing arrangements

B.6.1 Where a capacity or near capacity attendance is expected, admission should be by ticket.

B.6.2 Tickets for seats which offer restricted views should be marked accordingly and tickets for seats with severely restricted views should not be sold.

B.6.3 The Club should ensure that all aisles, rows and individual seats to the regulated stand are clearly marked.



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SCHEDULE C

FIRST AID AND MEDICAL FACILITIES

C.1 Management Responsibilities

C.1.1 Upon application for a General Safety Certificate, or when an existing General Safety Certificate is renewed, the Council (on behalf of the holder) will consult with NW Ambulance Services NHS Trust and the Holder will undertake a medical risk assessment regarding the implications of spectators using the regulated grandstand.

C.1.2 Upon completion of the medical risk assessment, the Holder shall produce a written medical plan which defines levels of medical and first aid provision for spectators with the regulated stand.

C.2 Medical Plan

C.2.1 The medical plan shall include the following:

- the command structure and responsibilities of the medical team
- details of the sports ground command and control systems
- size and location of any mobile first aid room(s)
- a schedule of all medical equipment / materials and their source
- details of any ambulance including their location, capabilities and competences of the crew
- details, duties and location of any of any crowd doctors, nurses, paramedics and first aiders

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- details of communication links between the medical team and other agencies
- the procedure for the investigation and management of critical incidents
- the number and profile of expected crowds
- the times and duration of any planned sporting events
- procedures for inspecting facilities and equipment
- plans for responding to adverse weather conditions
- travels time and distances to local accident and emergency hospitals
- plans for responding to a major incident
- major incident triage procedures
- major incident casualty clearing location and procedures
- procedures for dealing with fatalities
- welfare facilities for all medical service personnel

C.3 First aid room

C.3.1 The Holder shall ensure a suitable room is made available for the treatment of injured spectators. This room shall be in addition to any facility for persons involved in sporting activity, as specified in Appendix 2.

C.3.2 The first aid room shall be of a size and equipped to a standard in accordance with guidance from North West Ambulance Service NHS Trust and the crowd doctor.

C.3.3 The Council will inspect the first aid room and the facilities during their annual inspection, as specified in Appendix 2.

C.4 Crowd doctor

C.4.1 For events where the expected crowd will be in excess of 2,000 at least one crowd doctor (who will be qualified and experienced in pre-hospital emergency care) should be present.

C.5 Ambulance provision

C.5.1 The holder should make arrangements for the provision of at least one fully equipped ambulance – staffed to paramedic level, at all events where the anticipated attendance is expected to be in excess of 5,000.

C.5.2 The ambulance should be available as spectators start to enter and remain in place until the event has finished and spectators have left the the regulated stand.

C.6 First aiders

C.6.1 At least two first aiders should be in attendance at all events.

C.6.2 Where anticipated attendance is in excess of 2,000, there should be an additional one first aider per 1000 spectators (or part thereof).

C.6.3 First aiders should:

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- have the maturity, character and temperament to carry out the duties required of them.
- have no other duties or responsibilities at the event.
- be able to understand and communicate verbally in English.
- be available as spectators start to enter and remain in place until the event has finished and spectators have left the regulated stand
- be briefed prior to deployment as to their roles and responsibilities as well as emergency and evacuation procedures, have their certification checked and it should be ensured they have access to basic medical equipment.

C.7 Communication

- C.7.1 A system should be in place to allow reliable radio communication (on a single channel) between a control point and all members of the medical team.
- C.7.2 For events where it is anticipated that there may be a large attendance, it may be necessary for a representative of North West Ambulance Services NHS Trust and or the crowd doctor to have access to the control point and to be provided with working facilities and communications.

C.8 Major Incident Plan

- C.8.1 The Holder, in consultation with the local emergency services (Police, Fire and Ambulance Services), should ensure the drafting of an emergency or major incident plan.
- C.8.2 The major incident plan should identify areas for dealing with multiple casualties and identify access and egress routes as well as a rendezvous point for emergency access vehicles.
- C.8.3 In the event of a major incident, all medical, ambulance and first aid staff will come under the command of North West Ambulance Services NHS Trust.

C.9 Inspections and records

- C.9.1 The Holder should ensure that management, ambulance officers, first aiders and the crowd doctor should be de-briefed after every sporting event and any comments or follow-up actions being recorded by management.
- C.9.2 The Holder should ensure a record is kept of the numbers and posts of all ambulance staff and first aiders attending an event, as well as the name of the crowd doctor.
- C.9.3 The Holder should ensure a record is kept of all first aid or medical diagnosis and treatment provided during an event, including the destination of casualties.

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- C.9.4 Records should be made available to the Council during the annual inspection (whilst being cognisant of medical confidentiality issues).



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SCHEDULE D

BUILDINGS, STRUCTURES AND INSTALLATIONS

D.1 Means of Ingress and Egress

- D.1.1 The means of ingress and egress shall be maintained in good condition and unobstructed to each part of the regulated stand as shown on Plan No. 1 and as specified in Appendix 5; stairways, gates and gangways shall be of width specified. The location of all perimeter and radial fences and of every gate in each fence shall be as shown on Plan No. 1.
- D.1.2 Each escape route referred to in Appendix 5 shall be available for egress during any specified activity.
- D.1.3 No door or gate forming part of an escape route shall be locked or fastened in such a way that it cannot easily or immediately be opened by those using that route in an emergency.
- D.1.4 All exits from the regulated stand, shall be staffed at all times while both the regulated stand and sports ground is used by the public. All pitch perimeter gates shall be kept clear, available and unlocked whenever the area of the sports ground behind them is occupied.
- D.1.5 'WAY OUT' or 'EXIT' notices shall be provided and maintained over each exit, and exit routes shall be indicated as required by the Council.
- D.1.6 All exits off the regulated stand and all doors and gates on exit routes shall be available/secured in the fully open position not less than ten minutes before the end of the specified activity.
- D.1.7 All gates in radial, pitch perimeter or pitch barrier fences shall be painted in a distinctive colour different from the rest of the fence and shall be marked "EMERGENCY EXIT". Advertising boards shall not impede exit on to the pitch in an emergency.
- D.1.8 Each gate shall be permanently marked with its number as set out in Appendix 5. The number shall be not less than 300mm in height and visible when the gates are either open or closed.
- D.1.9 Each staircase shall be of fire resisting construction.
- D.1.10 Each gangway, exit route, stairway, ramp, stepping, and means of access for emergency vehicles shall be kept free of stored goods, litter, ice, and snow whilst the regulated stand and the sports ground is in use for any specified activity. The treads of steps and stairways shall be maintained with non-slip and even surfaces, shall be adequately drained and have conspicuous nosings.

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- D.1.11 Gangways on terraces shall be in a conspicuous colour with a non-slip surface. Conspicuous nosings shall be provided to stepped gangways in seated areas. All gangways shall be kept clear of spectators.

D2 **Electrical, Mechanical, and Heating Installation**

- D.2.1 The electrical installation for the premises shall be maintained in accordance with the Regulations for Electrical Installations published by the Institution of Electrical Engineers.

- D.2.2 A diagram of the main electrical circuit shall be fixed in a position easily accessible to the technical staff. All switch and control gear shall be clearly labelled to indicate the circuits that they control.

- D.2.3 All cable and conductors of wiring systems shall be sited so that they are, as far as practicable, inaccessible to the public and shall be enclosed throughout in a protective covering of material which has sufficient strength to resist mechanical damage - for example screwed metal conduit, metal trunking, mineral insulated metal sheathed cables or armoured cables.

Note: Where wiring is to be installed within confined areas (such as in escape routes), cables from the above list with a PVC sheath shall not be used. Low Smoke and Fume Emission (LSF) sheathed cables may be acceptable subject to the Council's approval in writing.

- D.2.4 The maintained normal lighting shall be kept illuminated within the regulated stand and the sports ground where there is inadequate natural daylight during specified activities, to allow free movement within the regulated stand, the sport ground and exits there from.

Any approved non-maintained escape lighting shall automatically provide illumination in the event of a failure of the maintained normal lighting supply.

Any approved maintained escape lighting shall be kept illuminated during specified activities where there is inadequate natural daylight.

Either system of escape lighting independently shall provide a level of illumination that is adequate to allow free movement within the regulated stand and the sports ground and exits there from.

- D.2.5 An alternative electricity supply which functions for a minimum of 3 hours in the event of failure of the normal supply shall be provided to the following installations:-

- Emergency lighting
- Escape lighting
- Emergency telephone
- Safety Officer's Room
- First Aid Room, and
- Other apparatus/areas where required.

NOTE: Where a generator is used to provide the alternative supply, the start up time of the generator should not exceed 5 seconds.

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D.2.6 The electricity power supply to the public address system shall be such as to ensure continuous operation in the event of failure of the mains electricity supply. No spectator shall be admitted unless the public address system is in full working order.

D.2.7 The heating installation (including all boilers, calorifiers and safety devices) for the premises, shall be maintained by the Holder in a safe and satisfactory condition and shall be examined as required by Section F.6.1. Any gas installations shall be provided and maintained in accordance with the latest Gas Safety (Installation and Use) Regulations 1998.

D.3 **General**

D.3.1 Temporary sales kiosks shall only be installed at the positions when indicated on Plan No. 1 to this General Safety Certificate. No other temporary sales kiosk or stall or other temporary structure including any mobile stall shall be installed without the prior consent of the Council in writing. Liquefied Petroleum Gas shall not be used unless consent is obtained from the Council in writing.

D.3.2 Hazardous materials (including fuels, fertilisers, weed killers, and paints) and combustible materials shall only be stored in a suitable room or storage area approved by the Council. The hazards arising from the keeping of petroleum spirit or petroleum mixture on the premises, including petroleum spirit kept in fuel tanks of plant such as motor mowers is subject to additional statutory control. The Petroleum Licensing Authority shall be informed of any proposal to keep petroleum at the premises.

D.3.3 All glass in doors, windows, partitions, etc. in each part of the regulated stand accessible to spectators shall be maintained in a sound condition.

D.3.4 No marquees, tents, soft furnishings, artificial foliage or decoration, shall be installed unless suitable test evidence of material samples have been submitted to the Council and the Council's written consent has been obtained.

D.3.5 The following areas where applicable shall be kept completely free of storage, goods, litter, combustible or flammable material or other obstruction and access maintained at all times:-

- (a) All boiler rooms
- (b) Plant rooms
- (c) Electrical intake rooms
- (d) Electrical switch rooms
- (e) Transformer rooms
- (f) Lift motor rooms and lobbies

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- (g) Generator rooms
 - (h) Voids, particularly beneath stands.
 - (i) Mechanical & services risers
- D.3.6 Except as provided in paragraph D.3.8 or with consent of the Council in writing, no cylinder for the storage of compressed air, oxygen, hydrogen or other gas or liquid under pressure shall be used or stored in the sports ground.
- D.3.7 Cylinders for the storage of CO² may be used for the supply of beer pumps provided that only one cylinder in use, chained in an upright position, plus one spare for each bar, may be kept in such bar or bar store. Any other CO² cylinder shall be kept in a store approved by the Council.
- D.3.8 No special effects, displays or other arrangements (including pyrotechnics, lasers etc) shall be undertaken without the prior consent of the Council in writing.
- D.3.9. The Holder shall ensure that all spectators seating where applicable is maintained securely fixed in position, suitably numbered and that damaged seats are promptly repaired or replaced.



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SCHEDULE E

FIRE AND FIRE FIGHTING

E.1. **General**

E.1.1 All emergencies are to be directed in the first instance to the (Safety Officer's Control Point).

E.1.2 The Fire Authority shall be called to any outbreak of fire or suspicion of fire, in accordance with the procedure detailed in Appendix 8.

E.1.3 The Fire Authority shall be informed of any proposal to keep petroleum at the premises.

E.2 **Fire Warning, Fire Detection & Communication Systems**

E.2.1 The regulated stand must be provided with a manually operated electrical fire warning system to alert staff.

E.2.2 The regulated stand must be provided with an automatic fire detection system to all high risk areas and unoccupied areas that contain a normal risk.

E.2.3 Both manually operated electrical fire warning and automatic fire detection systems should be designed to accommodate the emergency evacuation procedure; give an automatic indication of the fire warning and its location and be designed, installed, commissioned, maintained and tested by competent persons in accordance with the advice given in the relevant British Standard.

E.2.4 The public address system shall be staffed during a specified activity by a person nominated by the Club who shall be responsible, in conjunction with the Holder, for carrying out emergency evacuation procedures for the regulated stand and sports ground. Where the public address system is part of the fire warning system it should be connected to an auxiliary power source to ensure that the continued use of the system in the event of a fire or other emergency. It should also be intelligible and have the ability to override volume controls in an emergency situation.

E.2.5 The public address system should be confirmed as meeting standards by the issue of a commissioning certificate. It should be inspected and tested annually, in addition to the regular pre-event checks and an inspection certificate obtained so it can be available for inspection the Council.

E.2.6 A communication system shall consist of emergency telephones positioned within the regulated stand or as agreed with the Holder as specified in Appendix 6.

E.2.7 The telephone switchboard where applicable shall be permanently staffed during a specified activity.

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E.2.8 A communication system shall consist of radio communications between the safety officers control point and stewards. Also other personnel such as the crowd doctor, members of the emergency services and car park or traffic controllers.

E.3 Fire Fighting Equipment

E.3.1 Portable fire appliances, hose reels and firefighting equipment with adequate water supplies shall be provided in the positions specified in Appendix 3, inspected and tested as specified in Schedule E, and records kept as specified in Schedule F.

E.3.2 Extinguishers shall comply with BSEN3 & BS 7937 and are to have British Approvals for Fire Equipment (BAFE) Certification under the British Standards Institute's 'Kite mark' Scheme. Extinguishers shall be installed and maintained in accordance with BS. 5306: Part 3 and to the editions current at the date of this Certificate. New extinguishers shall be of a pattern similar to the existing extinguishers.

E.3.3 Extinguishers shall be located in conspicuous positions on brackets or stands where they are readily seen by persons following an escape route. The carrying handles of larger heavier extinguishers shall be about 1m from the floor but small fire extinguishers and fire blankets shall be mounted so as to position the handle of the extinguisher/base of the fire blanket about 1.5m from the floor

E.3.4 Extinguishers shall be sited so as not to cause obstruction and shall not be placed over or close to heating appliances. They shall be protected against heat or cold and, where necessary, shall contain an anti-freeze agent recommended by the manufacturer.

E.4 Fire Duties

E.4.1 Each member of staff and each Steward shall be fully trained by the Holder in the procedures to be adopted in the event of fire or other emergencies. Such training shall include:-

- (a) The action to be taken on discovery of a fire or other emergency
- (b) The method of calling the Fire Brigade
- (c) The method of operating the fire alarms and procedures to be followed thereafter
- (d) Operation of the internal emergency telephones or radio communication systems.
- (e) Familiarisation with positions of emergency telephones and fire alarm call points throughout the regulated stand.
- (f) The correct method of using firefighting equipment and familiarisation with their locations within the regulated stand.

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- (g) Evacuation of the regulated stand (including assisting people with mobility issues), the location of assembly points, and specific action required by individual members of staff
 - (h) Familiarisation with all escape routes and the methods of maintaining such escape routes free of obstruction.
 - (i) The purpose of fire resisting doors and the need to maintain them in the closed position and
 - (j) The importance of fire evacuation training.
- E.4.2 The Holder shall carry out evacuation exercises at least twice a year. The Holder shall notify the Fire Brigade, Police and Chief Ambulance Officer when evacuation training will take place to enable them to observe the standard of staff training. Details of evacuation exercises shall be entered in a logbook.
- E.4.3 Details of all training and briefing for staff and Stewards shall be entered in a log-book.
- E.5 Instruction Notices**
- E.5.1 Copies of Emergency Instructions, as specified in Appendix 8, shall each be displayed in clearly legible characters in the positions shown in the notices
- E.5.2 Each such notice shall be framed and glazed or otherwise protected against loss or defacement, and shall be positioned so that it is not readily visible to the public.
- E.6 Major Incident Plan**
- E.6.1 The Holder, in consultation with the local emergency services (Police, Fire and Ambulance Services), should ensure the drafting of an emergency or major incident plan.
- E.6.2 The major incident plan should identify areas for dealing with multiple casualties and identify access and egress routes as well as a rendezvous point for emergency access vehicles.

SCHEDULE F

BRIEFING, TESTING AND INSPECTION BY THE HOLDER

F.1 Introduction

F.1.1 The following training sessions, tests, and inspections shall be carried out by the Holder and records kept as specified. Any defect found because of those tests and inspections or otherwise shall be recorded in the Defects Log Book, which shall also record when the defect is discovered and when remedied.

F.1.2 All defects and deficiencies shall be reported to the Safety Officer as soon as is reasonably possible.

F.1.3 In this schedule, a 'competent person' in relation to the testing and certification of electrical systems and installations shall be one of the following:-

- A Chartered Electrical Engineer;
- A Member of the Electrical Contractors' Association;
- A Member of the Electrical Contractors' Association of Scotland; or
- An approved Contractor of the National Inspection Council for Electrical Installation Contracting.

F.2 Every Activity

F.2.1 Before a specified activity, the Holder shall:-

- (i) Inspect the general condition and state of maintenance of the regulated stand, paying particular attention to the condition of each terrace, stairway, exit routes, access routes and directional signage;
- (ii) Inspect all gangways and exit routes for obstructions and ensure that they are capable of being used to their full capacity;
- (iii) Examine each crush barrier and balustrade for corrosion, deformation, or any other visible weakness; test exit doors and gates to ensure that they are easily and fully openable;
- (iv) Remove and dispose of all potential missiles, rubbish and combustible waste and clear each exit, stairway, exit route, boiler room, electrical intake room, void and means of access for emergency vehicles; of goods, litter, combustible or flammable material and other obstruction;
- (v) Examine all exit doors and gates (including those in perimeter or radial fences) whether manually or electronically operated;

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- (vi) Inspect all voids beneath stands, all kitchens, food preparation areas, and all other areas particularly vulnerable to fire for combustible materials or other hazards;
 - (vii) Ensure that the required firefighting equipment is in position and available, and
 - (viii) Inspect first aid rooms and the equipment and supplies held there.
- F.2.2 The manually operated electrical fire warning system, automatic fire detection system, emergency telephones, radio communications systems, CCTV systems, and public address system shall be tested in accordance with the methods laid down in BS. 5839 Part 1 or relevant British Standard not more than 48 hours prior to a specified activity (including a test from the secondary source of power supply) and the results recorded in a logbook.
- F.2.3 Stewards shall be briefed on their general and emergency duties in accordance with Sections B.2.5, B.2.7, B.2.12 and E.4.1 and a record of the briefing kept in a logbook.
- F.2.4 The Holder shall liaise with the Police and the Fire Authority in accordance with Section B.4.1.
- F.2.5 After each specified activity, the Holder shall:-
- (i) Carry out a general visual inspection of the regulated stand for signs of damage and
 - (ii) Liaise with the Police Service to gain full benefit from any de-briefing about crowd control.
- F.3 **Every Month**
- F.3.1 Monthly inspections of extinguishers, spare gas cartridges, and replacement charges shall be carried out to ensure that extinguishers are in their correct positions and have not been discharged or suffered a pressure loss or damage. The results of the inspections shall be entered in a logbook.
- F.4 **Every Six Months**
- F.4.1 An inspection and 3-hour full load test of the escape lighting batteries shall be carried out by a competent person. A certificate with the test results shall be made available to the Council on request.
- Where self-contained battery-operated escape luminaries are installed, the certificate shall confirm that each luminaire has been energised from its battery for 3 hours.
- F.4.2 An inspection of any electronic locking system shall be carried out by a recognised person.

F.5 Every Year

- F.5.1 An examination of the boiler, calorifier, and all safety devices shall be carried out by a boiler insurance company and a certificate confirming that they are in a safe condition and shall be made available to the Council on request.
- F.5.2 The emergency telephone system and public address system shall be tested by a competent person and a certificate confirming that they are in a satisfactory condition and shall be made available to the Council on request. .
- F.5.3 All firefighting equipment shall be maintained and overhauled in accordance with BS 5274, BS 5306: Parts 1 and 3, BS.EN3 and BS.7937 as appropriate, by a recognised person or company of Fire Engineers and a record kept. An inspection and maintenance certificate in respect of all fire fighting equipment at the sports ground and shall be made available to the Council on request.

NOTE: The British Approvals for Fire Equipment operates a scheme of registration of Companies to carry out maintenance of fire extinguishers under contract. The scheme is run by the British Standards Institution (BST Quality Assurance) through its "Registered Firms" Scheme.

- F.5.4 Two evacuation-training sessions shall be carried out every 12 months in accordance with Section E.4.2 and the details recorded in a logbook.
- F.5.5 Inspections shall be made of the regulated stands, including crush barriers, boundary walls, fences, gates and including all buildings, structures, components and installations, by a competent person as set out in Section F.5.6, or other similarly qualified professional, to ascertain their strength, stability and state of maintenance. A certificate of inspection shall be made available to the Council on request.
- F.5.6 A 25% representative sample of crush barriers, handrails and other structural crown control elements shall be subject to an annual risk assessment as set out in Appendix 7. Each year, the sample shall be different so that all crush barriers and handrails are tested once every four years. The 25% sample shall not include any elements, which following inspection, are tested as a result of doubts as to their integrity. Any barrier failing the test procedure should be removed and replaced or strengthened and then re-tested A certificate of testing shall be made available to the Council on request. The certificate shall list and identify the items to which it refers and confirm that they are in such condition as to perform safely their required functions from the date of the Certificate. The risk assessment and testing of any barriers shall be carried out and the Certificate signed by one of the following:

A Chartered Structural Engineer, a Chartered Surveyor (Building Surveying Division) or a Chartered Civil Engineer.

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F.6 Every Five Years

F.6.1 Electrical Installations

The electrical installations shall be inspected and tested and a certificate, in the form prescribed in the current edition of the Regulations for Electrical Installations issued by the Institution for Electrical Engineers, shall be submitted to the Council at least once in every five years and not later than three months before the expiry date of the current certificate, or at such other time as is specified on the current certificate. The certificate shall confirm that the installation is in a safe working condition and shall be signed by a competent person.



SCHEDULE G

RECORDS AND CERTIFICATES

G.1 Records to be kept by the Holder

G.1.1 The Holder shall keep, separately, for a minimum period of six years, the following records that shall be made available for inspection by the Council's authorised Officers or representatives of the Football Licensing Authority at all reasonable times. (The Holder shall be responsible for the collation of the information required for the records from the relevant organisations.) Each record shall specify the name, status, and qualifications of any person carrying out a test, inspection, or remedial work.

- (i) A record of the number of spectators admitted to the regulated stand for a specified activity referred to in Appendix 4;
- (ii) A record of any accident or incident which causes injury, other than a playing injury, which is brought to the notice of the Holder and which occurs whilst the sports ground is in use for a specified activity;
- (iii) A record of the names of stewards on duty at each event and the positions allocated to them upon the regulated stand as specified in Sections B.2.1, B.2.6, B.2.9 and B.2.10;
- (iv) A record of details, including attendance, of each training session and pre-event briefing given to staff and stewards as specified in Section B.2.7 and Section E.4;
- (v) A record of the numbers and posts of all First-Aiders present on each occasion as specified in Section C.9.2 and the name of the crowd doctor as also specified in Section C.9.2
- (vi) A record of each evacuation exercise as specified in Section E.4.2;
- (vii) A record of tests of emergency telephones, fire alarms and automatic fire detectors and public address system as specified in Sections F.2.2., F.3.1, and F.5.2 and Section E.2.4;
- (viii) A record of tests of fire fighting equipment as specified in Sections E2 and F2.2;
- (ix) A record of tests of the escape lighting;
- (x) A record of tests of the turnstiles and monitoring system as specified in Section F.2;
- (xi) A record of each inspection carried out at the sports ground to ensure compliance with Section F.2.1;

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- (xii) A record of a Defects Log Book of any defect relating to the safety of the regulated stand, however discovered, including a record of when such defect has been remedied;
 - (xiii) The Clubs Safety Policy, including who, of the Clubs Board of Directors has overall responsibility for safety.
 - (xiv) A record of the certificates required to be submitted to the Council under Section G.2.1 below.
- G.1.2 The Holder shall ensure that all records are kept fully up to date in a tamper proof form. The records shall be kept together in the Safety Officer's room along with a copy of this certificate and its related documentation.
- G.2 Certificates to Be Submitted By the Holder to the Council**
- G.2.1 The Holder shall submit the following certificates to the Council:
- (i) An escape-lighting battery test report as specified in Section F.4.1, once in every 6 months;
 - (ii) A certificate of examination of boiler calorifiers etc., as specified in Section F.5.1, once in every 12 months;
 - (iii) A certificate of structural safety as specified in Section F.5.5 once in every 12 months;
 - (iv) A certificate of satisfactory risk assessment and where necessary load testing as specified in Section F.5.6, once in every 12 months.
 - (v) A certificate of inspection for the public address installation once in every 12 months;
 - (vi) A certificate of inspection of the emergency telephone system once in every 12 months;
 - (vii) A certificate of inspection of all fire fighting equipment as specified in Section F.5.3 at least once in every 12 months; and
 - (viii) A certificate of inspection of the electrical installation as specified in Section F.6.1, at least once in every five years.
 - (ix) A certificate of inspection of the fire detection and fire warning systems as specified in F.2.2 every 12 months.

APPENDIX 1

INDEX OF KEY LOCATIONS

Key locations as specified in Plan No. 1

<u>Description</u>	<u>Location</u>
A. Safety Officer's Control Point	Under Main Stand (East end)
B. First Aid rooms	Under Main Stand & porta-Cabin between the Main Stand and the Jack Carr Stand.



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APPENDIX 2

FIRST AID EQUIPMENT & AMBULANCE PROVISION

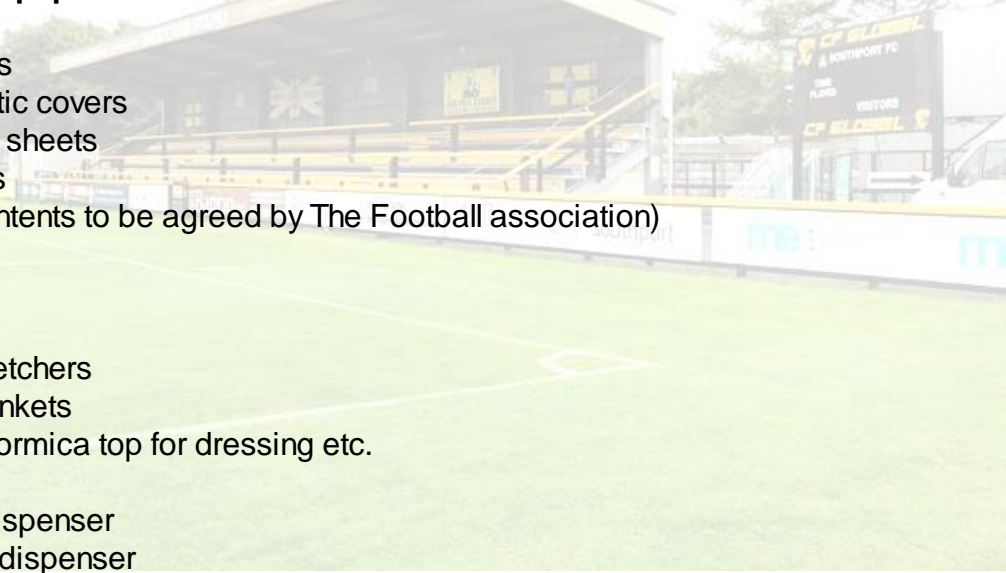
Anticipated attendance	Minimum paramedic ambulance provision	Statutory ambulance officer	Statutory ambulance authority vehicles
0 – 5,000	1	1	0
5001 – 10,000	1	1	1

The paramedic ambulance(s) may be supplied by a statutory ambulance authority or a competent private source.

First Aid Room location:

The first aid rooms are located in the Main Stand and a porta-cabin between Main Stand & Jack Carr Stand.


First Aid Room Equipment:

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- 12 wool blankets
 - 12 cellular blankets
 - 6 pillows with plastic covers
 - Disposable paper sheets
 - Disposable gloves
 - 6 snatch bags (contents to be agreed by The Football association)
 - Buckets
 - Plastic bowls
 - No smoking signs
 - Cupboards for stretchers
 - Cupboards for blankets
 - Cupboards with Formica top for dressing etc.
 - 1 electric point
 - Paper cups and dispenser
 - Paper towels and dispenser
 - Supply of black plastic bags for normal rubbish
 - Yellow plastic bags for medical waste
 - (These last two items must be disposed of in the correct manner by the Holder)
 - An internal telephone
 - Direct communications with the Safety Officer
 - Stainless steel sink with adequate drainage
 - A hot and cold water supply and basin with adequate drainage
 - A drinking water supply
 - Hypochlorite disinfectant effective against H.I.V., Hepatitis B etc. and a list of local receiving hospitals.

APPENDIX 3

SCHEDULE OF FIRE APPLIANCES

<u>POSITION</u>	<u>EXTINGUISHERS</u>				<u>OTHER</u>		
	9 Litre Water Type*	9 Litre Foam	CO ₂ - 2.2kg	Dry Power 7 kg	45m Hose Reel	30m Hose Reel	Fire Blanket
EACH MOBILE/ STATIC REFRESHMENT STALL/ VEHICLE	0	0	1 or	1	0	0	1



*Water type = Soda acid or water / gas expelled.

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PERMITTED NUMBERS OF SPECTATORS

The maximum number of spectators that may be admitted to each part of the sports ground at any one time shall be restricted to: -

	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>Number of Spectators</u>	
		<u>Seated</u>	<u>Standing</u>
1.	JACK CARR STAND		1,014
	TOTAL		1,014



TOTAL SPECTATOR ACCOMMODATION WITHIN THE REGULATED STAND: 1014

APPENDIX 5

EXIT GATES, DOOR NUMBERS AND WIDTH OF EXITS

<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>Gate numbers</u>	<u>Clear opening width (m)</u>
HAIG AVENUE / BLOWICK END	1	3.35
HAIG AVENUE / ADJACENT TO EAST END OF MAIN STAND	2	1.30
HAIG AVENUE / ADJACENT TO WEST END OF MAIN STAND	3	1.30
HAIG AVENUE / ADJACENT CLUB SHOP	4	3.10
HAIG AVENUE / JACK CARR STAND END	5	3.90



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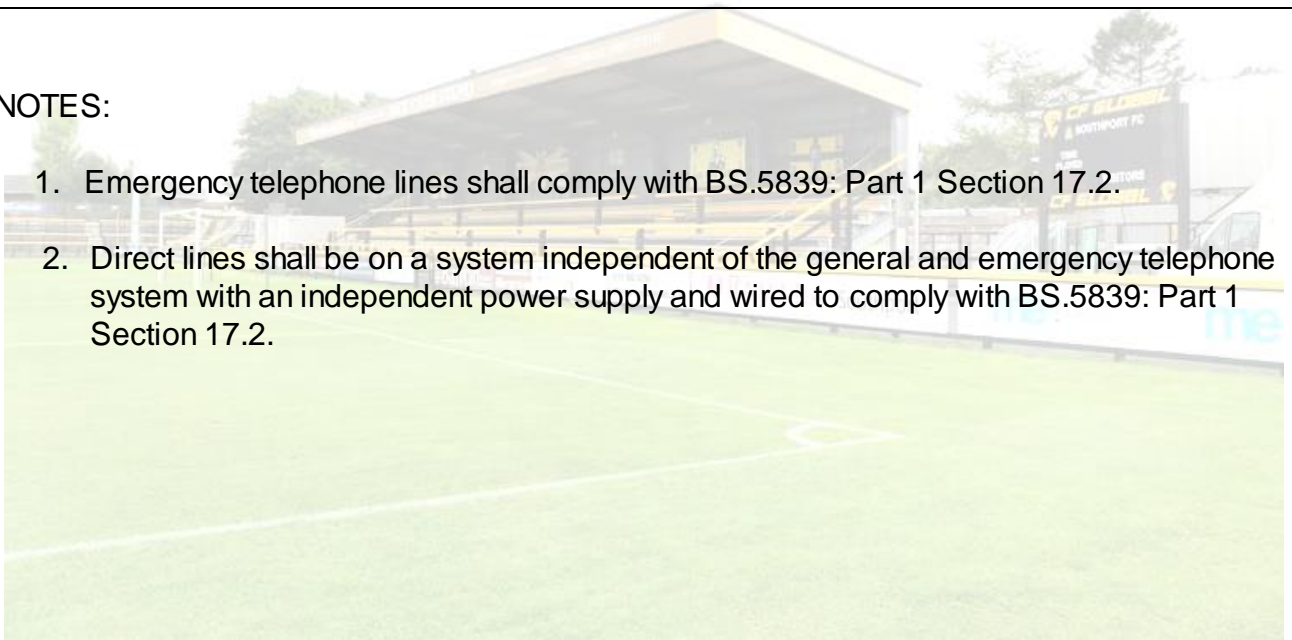
LOCATION OF EMERGENCY AND CONFERENCE TELEPHONES

SCHEDULE OF TELEPHONES

<u>TYPE</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>NUMBER</u>
DIRECT LINE	SAFETY OFFICER'S / SECRETARY.S OFFICE	1
DIRECT LINE	PRESS BOX IN MAIN STAND	1
DIRECT LINE	BAR BELOW MAIN STAND	1

NOTES:

1. Emergency telephone lines shall comply with BS.5839: Part 1 Section 17.2.
2. Direct lines shall be on a system independent of the general and emergency telephone system with an independent power supply and wired to comply with BS.5839: Part 1 Section 17.2.



APPENDIX 7

TEST LOADS AND STRUCTURAL TESTING PROCEDURES FOR BARRIERS ETC.

TEST LOADS AND TESTING

		DESIGN/LOAD (kN/m)			
A. Handrails, Balustrading, Fences, Guard Rails					
At right angles to direction of flow and radial barriers		3.0			
Handrails parallel to direction of flow only		2.0			
B. Crush Barriers					
angle of terrace of viewing slope	horizontal distance between crush barriers				
5°	5.0m	4.0m	3.3m	3.0m	2.0m
10°	4.3m	3.4m	2.9m	2.6m	1.7m
15°	3.8m	3.0m	2.6m	2.3m	1.5m
20°	3.4m	2.7m	2.3m	2.0m	1.3m
25°	3.1m	2.5m	2.1m	1.8m	1.2m
Horizontal imposed load	5.0 KN/M length	4.0 KN/M length	3.4 KN/m length	3.0 KN/m length	2.0 KN/m length
C. Pitch Perimeter Wall			2.0		
D. Boundary fences and walls parallel to direction of flow			2.0		
E. Crowd segregation fence parallel to direction of flow			2.0		
F. Crowd segregation fence and gates at right angles to direction of flow			5.0		
G. Balustrading, guarding to rear of the stand.			2.0		
H. NOTES:					
(i) All barriers (including crush barriers), fences, walls and gates should be subject to an annual risk assessment. Every barrier identified by the risk assessment as a potential risk should be tested immediately.					

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- (ii) The risk assessment (which, in practice, will be carried out in a similar fashion to an annual inspection) should be conducted and recorded by a Chartered Structural Engineer, Chartered Civil Engineer or Chartered Surveyor (Building Surveying Division) of the appropriate skill and experience. It should take into account all relevant recommendations in the Guide to Safety at Sports Grounds combined with a detailed appraisal of each of the following specific considerations:-
- a) any available recorded information concerning the barrier's design compliance.
 - b) the adequacy of the barrier's construction.
 - c) the age of the barrier.
 - d) any visual evidence of weakening or general deterioration of the barrier, including signs of corrosion, cracks, holes, misalignment, undue distortion, missing bolts or fittings.
 - e) the barrier's exposure to moisture.
 - f) the barrier's location within the sports ground.

Those barriers which need to be tested immediately might include those whose theoretical strength is interminable, those which have suffered visible decay and those where there is potential for undetected deterioration.

- (iii) The Holder is responsible for appointing a competent person to undertake and record the results of the risk assessment of barriers.

(iv) **Barrier Tests - Personnel and Equipment**

Having conducted the risk assessment and determined which barriers, if any, require testing, it is then the responsibility of the Holder to ensure that the tests are carried out immediately.

The Holder is further responsible for ensuring that the testing is carried out by, or under the supervision of, a competent person of the appropriate skill and experience.

The competent person will then be responsible for ensuring that the tests are properly carried out and that all results are accurately recorded.

The competent person must be satisfied that the equipment used for the testing is suitable for the purposes and is used in the correct manner.

- (v) The equipment used should be capable of a level of accuracy of 5 per cent of the test load.

The deflection measuring equipment should be calibrated and be capable of a level of accuracy that reflects the magnitude of the deflections being measured.

(vi) **Barrier Tests - Records**

Detailed written records should be made and kept of all observations, loadings, and deflection/recovery readings in respect of each barrier tested. The documentation should include a standard record sheet including the following information:

- a) The identity of each barrier tested.
- b) Its location, including a cross-reference to the ground plan.
- c) The date of inspection.
- d) All relevant results and comments arising from the test.
- e) A clear statement as to whether the barrier has passed or failed.

(vii) **Barrier Tests - Methodology**

The test method for barriers should be in two parts:

- a) The 'bedding-in' cycle.
- b) The proof cycle.

In each part, an evenly distributed force shall be applied horizontally on the top rail of the barrier or handrail at right angles to the longitudinal axis and applied in increments.

Crush barriers and handrails that do not fulfil the requirements of both parts shall be deemed to have failed the test.

The deflection measuring equipment shall be properly set up on a firm part of the terraces, stairway, etc. and should be unaffected by any movement of the barriers, their supports, or the movements of personnel performing the test.

The deflections in the horizontal plane should be measured at relevant locations; for example, at the centre of a barrier or handrail span (when testing the rail) or the top of an upright (if testing the upright).

The loading procedure adopted shall result in each component part of any barrier being subject to levels of stress at least equal to the stresses that would occur were the structure subjected to the relevant uniformly distributed load at a design level of 1.1m.

(viii) **Barrier Tests - Bedding-In Cycle**

In order to allow for bedding-in of the test equipment and any frictional restraints, the barrier or handrail should be loaded up to its horizontal imposed load as defined in

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table above. The bedding-in load should be applied in at least five equal increments and then removed. Deflections should be monitored at each increment of the load cycle and upon removal of the load. The maximum force shall be maintained for 5 minutes. The barrier may be considered to have satisfactory completed this part of the test if, on removal of the load, the recovery is at least 75% of the maximum deflection, as measured from the original position prior to loading, or if the permanent deflection is less than 2mm.

If the barrier fails to achieve this level of recovery, it shall be considered to have failed the test unless there is a satisfactory explanation for the results.

(ix) **Barrier Tests - Proof Cycle**

The proof cycle is to consist of two consecutive applications of the proof load. The interval between each application shall be such as to enable complete unloading.

For all barriers, fences, walls, gates, balustrading and guarding, the proof load are equal to 1.2 x the horizontal imposed load specified in the above table.

The application of the proof load should consist of five equal increments.

The full proof load shall be maintained for five minutes and then removed.

A record shall be kept of:

- a) the deflection at each load increment.
- b) the deflection after the five minute application of the full proof load.
- c) the residual deflection after removal of the load.

The procedure is then repeated.

If, on removal of the load after the second application, the recovery is at least 95 per cent in any measured deflection (as measured from the barrier position at the start of the proof test cycle - that is, after the bedding-in cycle), the barrier should be considered to have satisfied the proof cycle loading requirement.

(x) **Barrier Tests - Further Considerations**

Comparisons should be made with the records available from previous testing of the barrier.

Comparison should also be made with the performance of other barriers of a similar type subjected to the same or similar tests. This is to establish whether there are indications of a reduction in overall performance, perhaps indicative of a developing weakness that necessitates either remedial action or more regular testing or inspection than the minimum.

If the barrier satisfies the requirements of the testing procedure, but during that procedure doubt arises as to its safety, for any reason (including such matters as

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corrosion, distortion of connections and fittings, or cracking in the vicinity of supports), a further detailed investigation should be carried out. Unless the results of this detailed investigation remove the doubt as to the safety of the barrier or handrail, the barrier should be deemed to have failed.

(xi) **Barrier Tests Resulting in Failure**

A barrier failing the test procedure should be removed and replaced, or strengthened and then retested.



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APPENDIX 9

LOCATION AND NUMBER OF STEWARDS

<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>Number of Stewards</u>	
	Where more than 1500 spectators	Where less than 1500 spectators
<u>GATES</u>		
1. Haig Avenue/Blowick End	1	1
2. Haig Avenue/Adjacent to East of Main Stand	1	1
3. Haig Avenue/Adjacent to West of Main Stand	1	1
4. Haig Avenue/Scarbrick End (Extreme end)	1	1
<u>THE CONTROL AND DIRECTION OF SPECTATORS ENTERING & LEAVING THE GROUND</u>		
1. Area adjacent to turnstiles on west of Main Stand	1	1
2. Area adjacent to turnstiles on east of Main Stand	1	1
<u>PATROLLING THE PERIMETER OF THE PITCH AND MANNING GATES ONTO THE PITCH</u>		
<u>JACK CARR STAND</u>	4	2
Duties to include keeping the perimeter path clear of standing spectators.	3	1
<u>FREE STANDING AREAS (When used)</u>		
1. South of Jack Carr Stand	2	0
2. North of Jack Carr Stand	2	0
3. West of Main Stand	2	0
Safety Officer	1	1
TOTAL	20	10

APPENDIX 10

PROVISION OF EQUIPMENT WITHIN CONTROL CENTRES

SAFETY OFFICERS ROOM

1. Direct Telephone Line
2. Public Address System (Loud Hailer)
3. Emergency Lighting
4. Map of Ground



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APPENDIX 11

SPECIFIED ACTIVITIES

ACTIVITIES COVERED BY THE CERTIFICATE

The activities covered by this Certificate are as follows:-

CATEGORY A

Association football
Rugby
Cricket
Field & track sports and athletic displays

NOTE:

Attention is drawn to the requirements of B.4.1 and B.4.2 of Schedule B relating to Police attendance.

Any pre-event entertainment, including live music and dancing, shall not be commenced until the gates to the sports ground have been opened for the admittance of the public to the activities listed above and covered by the terms and conditions of the Certificate.

Any other entertainment event held at the sports ground where the expected attendance will be in excess of 500, should be reported to the Sefton Events Safety Advisory Group at least 2 months prior to the event date. Depending on the nature of the event, Management of the sports ground may be expected to produce a separate and specific risk assessment / event action plan.

APPENDIX 12

POLICE FACILITIES

A MOBILE CONTROL ROOM AT THE DISCRETION OF MERSEYSIDE POLICE.



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APPENDIX 13

GENERAL GROUND ARRANGEMENT DRAWINGS

CERTIFICATE DRAWING NO.	ARCHITECTS DRAWING NO.	LOCATION
No. 1	Site plan	SAFETY OFFICER'S CONTROL POINT

Issue record

Issue 26.02.2018 - Name of Safety Officer changed from Michael Jackson to Stephen Haw

Issue 20.07.2018 – Name of Holder changed to Natalie Atkinson. Amended guidance on stewarding / alcohol sales / ticketing arrangements included.

Issue 07.01.2019 - Name of Safety Officer changed from Stephen Haw to Steve Scott

Issue 01.04.2019 – Name of certificate holder changed from Natalie Atkinson to James Tedford

Issue 14.06.2021 – Name of certificate holder changed from James Tedford to Frank Hughes. Named safety officer removed.

Issue 30.11.2022 – Name of Certificate holder changed from Frank Hughes to 'Board of Directors'. Named Safety Officer (Stephen Scott) included. Reference made to a requirement of the Club to maintain a Safety Policy stating who of the Board of Directors has overall responsibility for safety.

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