

Risk Management



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Acknowledgement

OF COUNTRY

Skate Victoria acknowledges the Traditional Custodians of country throughout Australia and their connections to land, sea, and community. We pay our respect to their Elders past and present and extend that respect to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples today.

OF DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION

Skate Victoria recognises that inclusion is about making sure our sport reflects the diversity of all participants and are committed to providing a safe, welcoming, and respectful culture where everyone feels welcome and accepted regardless of age, gender, ability, socio economic status or cultural, ethnic, or religious background.

OF SAFE ENVIRONMENTS

Skate Victoria is committed to the safety and well-being of all children and young people who participate in our sport or access our services. We support the rights of the child and will always act to ensure that a child-safe environment is maintained.



Purpose

To help safeguard participants, Skate Victoria adopts certain risk management and policies for the activities of its members.

Together, these guidelines and policies are the Skate Victoria Risk Management and should be read in conjunction with Skate Victoria policies relevant to your discipline.

The following guidelines and policies apply to activities when Skate Victoria insurance is in effect.

Compliance with these policies is a condition of coverage of Skate Victoria members.

The Skate Victoria Executive must specifically approve, in writing, any deviations from these policies.

Affiliated Clubs and Independent Providers are bound by Skate Victoria's constitution, policies and bylaws.

Rulesets

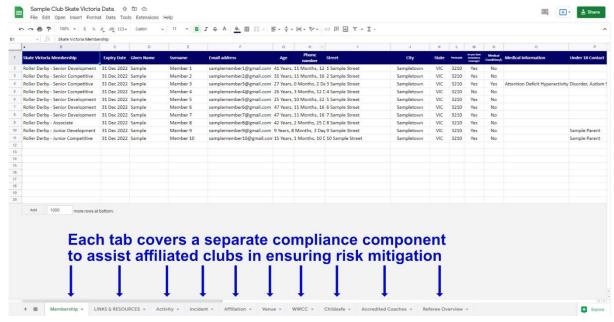
Clubs, Independent Providers and Event Organisers are required to adhere to their roller sports discipline's applicable rulesets which include Women's Flat Track Derby Association, World Skate and Skate Victoria.

Risk Management Compliance

Compliance documentation can assist clubs and independent providers in fulfilling their duty of care and protecting themselves in the event of a catastrophic incident.

Utilising online forms, Skate Victoria endeavours to assist our affiliated clubs and independent providers in compiling accurate, accessible, comprehensive and user-friendly compliance documentation.

Compliance forms can be viewed by clubs and independent providers on their Skate Victoria Datasheet.



Sample of Skate Victoria datasheet

Venue/Location Checklist

The Venue Checklist is an important tool and should be completed prior to the use of the venue/outdoor space and renewed each year. Clubs/independent providers have a duty of care to ensure the skating environment surrounds are as safe as possible for participation.

Identifying and addressing risks before they occur can decrease exposure to property damage, personal injury or in extreme cases legal action. Documenting your club/independent provider's actions to manage risk is important and may assist in the defence of negligence claims.

Activity Form

To be submitted for SV sanctioning of activities where insurance is required. Coverage cannot be provided if form isn't submitted.

Incident Report Form

The affected member's primary club/independent provider is required to submit an online Incident Report within 7 days of member's injury.

Host clubs and event organisers (if not the member's primary club) must ensure they forward Incident Report(s) to the injured member's primary club within 5 days of the incident.

Individual Memberships

It is the responsibility of clubs and independent providers to check skaters, players, coaches, referees and officials are Skate Victoria members before participating in Skate Victoria sanctioned activities.

Coaches

To be accredited through SV training programs or Recognised Prior Learning.



Referees

To be accredited through Skate Victoria training programs where applicable or Recognised Prior Learning. Referees and Officials will also be recognised through club in-house training programs and assessment.

It is the responsibility of club and event organisers to ensure Referees and Officials have the appropriate training to provide a safe environment in a competition by sensibly applying the rules of the game.



Obtaining Skate Victoria Membership

To obtain Skate Victoria membership, go to our website at www.skatevictoria.com.au and click on your roller sports discipline's image.



At the top of each discipline's page are the links to the relevant Skate Victoria memberships available for each discipline.

Select the Skate Victoria membership required from the buttons listed below the above image on your discipline's page on our website.

Member Registrations Portal Links



First Aid

The club is required to have trained Level 1 First Aider/s which can include Paramedics and Nurses in attendance at training, recreational sessions, games, races scrimmages and bootcamp.

Training session participating skaters may fill the role of a First Aider at their training session only, not games, races scrimmages or bootcamp. If your club is using skaters as First Aiders at training there must be 2 designated First Aiders/Skaters per training session to ensure there is a back-up in the case of injury to one of them.

If the club/independent provider does not have a first aid person/s in attendance at training,

recreational sessions games, scrimmages and bootcamps these activities will not be sanctioned and covered by Skate Victoria insurance.

It is not a requirement that a club must contract a First Aid Service provider for games but highly recommended for major tournaments with WWCC where required.

Skate Victoria subsidises First Aid training for volunteers up to the value of \$500 per affiliated club annually.



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Concussion Management

www.concussioninsport.gov.au/coaches and support staff

Concussion affects athletes at all levels of sport from the part-time recreational athlete through to the full-time professional.

Learn about the methods used to recognise and manage a suspected sport-related concussion.

Developed by Sports Medicine Australia and endorsed by the Australian Institute of Sport, the Australian Medical Association and



the Australasian College of Sport and Exercise Physicians.

Facilities

Spectators and Parents Code of Conduct

- Remember that skaters, especially children, participate in sport for their enjoyment, not yours.
- Encourage participants, including children, to always according to the rules and to settle disagreements without resorting to hostility or violence.
- Never ridicule or yell at a participant for making a mistake or not winning.
- Respect officials' decisions and encourage all participants to do likewise.
- Show appreciation for volunteer coaches, officials and administrators.
- Applaud good performance and efforts from all individuals and teams. Congratulate all participants, regardless of the game's outcome.
- Condemn the use of violence, verbal abuse or vilification in any form, whether it is by spectators, coaches, officials or players.
- Support policy and practices (and lead by example) in relation to responsible use of alcohol, to child protection issues and to issues involving to recreational and performance enhancing drugs.
- Support involvement in modified rules games and other junior development programs
- Respect the rights, dignity and worth of every person regardless of their gender, ability, cultural background or religion.

Conditions of Entry Bylaw

The purpose of Conditions of Entry Bylaw is to provide a clear understanding of the conditions by which any person, whether a member or non-member, is granted permission to enter into any venue that Skate Victoria uses for the purpose of conducting skating activities, including competitions, courses and events. Skate Victoria Conditions of Entry can be downloaded from www.skatevictoria.com.au/documents-and-policies/

Signage will be posted at the SV Rink and hired venues advising that Skate Victoria reserves the right to refuse entry. SV Rink has specific signage being relevant to the facility. For a copy of SV Rink Conditions of Entry contact office@skatevictoria.com.au



Skate Victoria 'The Shed'

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