

## 10<sup>th</sup> April 2019, Health & Safety Policy

Stop Out Sports Club (SOSC) is committed to providing and maintaining a safe and healthy environment for its club members, players, volunteers and supporters. We will meet our obligations under current legislation such as the Health and Safety at Work Act 2015 and any relevant Regulations and Guidelines from associations such as NZ Football and local Sporting bodies.

## The Stop Out Committee will:

- Regularly report on and review Health and Safety at monthly Committee Meetings, activity planning meetings and annually at the AGM.
- Maintain a financial budget for implementing the H&S Policy and initiatives.
- Review risks and ensure they are being adequately controlled and that both the risk and any controls are communicated to those who could be potentially affected by them
- Encourage reporting of all accidents, incidents and unsafe conditions to the Club Captain / Secretary / Grade Coordinator as soon as possible;
- Investigate each reported incident and complaint to ensure that appropriate controls are put in place to mitigate the risk to our members
- Consult, co-operate and co-ordinate with other stakeholders in the building and on the fields so that activities do not conflict or cause a risk to other users;
- Encourage participation and involvement in all facets of the club activities including H&S;
- Encouraging early reporting of discomfort or injury and supporting timely and appropriate medical attention including providing physio support where applicable.

Create a safe play space by:

- Promoting our Codes of Practice for players, parents, coaches and referees
- Promoting the FIFA 11+ warm up to minimize strain injuries at all ages
- Encouraging safe behaviour and practices e.g. setting up of goals and nets
- Encouraging an inclusive and supportive atmosphere within the club
- Oversee the implementation of the SOSC Strategic Plan including H&S policies, systems and practices.

## Everyone at Stop Out is encouraged to play a vital and responsible role in maintaining a safe and healthy club through:

- Familiarising yourself with existing club safety rules, procedures and instructions;
- Taking reasonable care of your own health and safety and planning your actions so that no act or omission adversely affects the health and safety of other persons;
- Reporting hazards / incidents and taking all reasonably practicable steps to eliminate or minimise the risk to people and structure;
- Attending appropriate training where required;
- Keeping the place tidy to minimise the risk of any trips and falls;

Your participation is much appreciated.

Authorised on 4<sup>th</sup> April 2019 by Chris Canton President Stop Out Sports Club