

DONCASTER METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL
DIRECTORATE OF REGENERATION & ENVIRONMENT

**CONDITIONS & REGULATIONS GOVERNING THE LETTING OF SPORTS
GROUNDS AND, WHERE AVAILABLE, CHANGING ACCOMMODATION**

1. Sports Grounds are let on the understanding that the Council will not entertain any claims in respect of personal injury which may arise from the use of or the condition of the ground or otherwise.
2. The Director of Regeneration and Environment, or his representative, shall be the final authority in all matters appertaining to the use of the ground and, where available, accommodation.
3. The Council and their Officers, Agents or Servants will not, under any circumstances, accept responsibility of liability in respect of any damage to, or loss, theft or removal of property, articles or things whatsoever placed or left in the grounds or accommodation by hirers or other persons, and the hirers shall indemnify the Council and their Officers, Agents and Servants from and against all claims, demands, actions and proceedings in respect of any such loss, theft or removal or any loss sustained by any person in consequence of such damage, theft or removal.
4. Hirers will be responsible for any damage to or loss or theft of any equipment or accommodation provided by the Council, and shall repay to the Council, on demand, the cost of reinstating or replacing any equipment or accommodation which shall be damaged, destroyed, stolen or removed during the period of their letting.
5. Pitches will only be allocated when the necessary charges have been paid in accordance with the current scale of charges approved by the Council.
6. Sub-letting of grounds is strictly forbidden.
7. The charges levied are for approved League and Cup games only.
8. Any matches additional to those outlined in Condition No 7 above are to be booked on a casual basis and subject to the Council's current Fees and Charges.
9. Clubs using the pitch for training sessions will be liable to an extra charge. Changing accommodation is not to be used for training sessions.
10. Individual teams and the appropriate League Fixtures Secretary are responsible for co-ordinating fixtures, so as to avoid any conflict between teams sharing a pitch.
11. Although every effort will be made to avoid clashes, if any do occasionally occur a suitable alternate pitch will be allocated. This will be done on a rota basis between the two teams that are pitch sharing.
12. The Council retains the right at any time to allocate other games on pitches not being used for official league or cup fixtures. Teams found to be contravening terms and conditions will be invoiced as appropriate. Non-payment of these accounts may result in withdrawal of the allocation.

13. Postponement of matches due to weather conditions shall be made only by the Directorate of Regeneration & Environment or the Match Referee. The Council must be notified one week prior to the rearranged fixture being played.
14. Maintenance to the grounds will be carried out by the Council.
15. Pitches will be marked out by the Council on the fixture list presented.
16. The Council will assume responsibility for the provision and repair of goal posts, as necessary, but goal nets and corner flags must be provided by the club.
17. Clubs must ensure that the games starts on time. A delay of 15 minutes or over in the start of the game will result in an extra charge being made for the pavilion attendant where applicable.
18. Request for payment of fees for hire will be sent out prior to the start of the season.
19. There will be no refunds given on monies paid for the hire of a pitch if the club defaults on its fixture list, or withdraws from the League.
20. Clubs will be liable for the full hire charge if it defaults on its fixtures or withdraws from the league.
21. Default by a team on any payment by the due date will lead to legal proceedings to recover the hire charge in full.
22. Once the allocated pitch has been taken up by a team the signatory is responsible to meet the full charge. No refunds will be given to teams who cancel or default for any reason.
23. The clubs and visitors should park their vehicles in the appropriate car park area. No vehicle will be allowed on or near the playing surface. The Council will not allow any parking of vehicles on the grassed areas.
24. The clubs shall ensure that vehicles are parked to avoid the blocking of footpaths or entrance gates.
25. The club will be responsible for the conduct of the players and supporters and must ensure that during the period of hire shall not cause offence to the surrounding proximity.
26. Facilities will not be provided for the Summer/Winter training and mobile floodlights must not be used without approval from the Council.
27. The club and hirers shall ensure that any portable electrical equipment used on the premises shall comply with the Electrical at Work Regulations 1988.
28. Should you require further information, please contact the Directorate of Regeneration & Environment – Street Scene Services on 01302 862782

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