

Table Tennis Club Safety Statement

Introduction

The purpose of this safety statement is to ensure the safety and well-being of all members of the Table Tennis Club at Maynooth University. The club is committed to promoting a safe and enjoyable environment for all members and to ensuring that all activities are carried out in accordance with relevant legislation and best practice.

Club Activities

The Table Tennis Club meets three times a week for training sessions, which take place in the university's sports hall. The club also hosts occasional table tennis competitions, which are open to members of the club as well as other universities or clubs.

Risk Assessment

The club has carried out a risk assessment of all activities and has identified the following potential hazards:

- Slips, trips, and falls due to wet floors, loose equipment, or obstacles in the playing area.
- Collisions between players, or between players and equipment.
- Injuries caused by improper use of equipment or playing techniques.
- Emergencies, such as a fire.

To prevent and control these hazards, the club has implemented the following measures:

- Regular inspections of the playing area to identify and rectify any potential hazards.
- Provision of appropriate footwear for all players.
- Clearing the playing area of any obstacles or trip hazards before each session.
- Ensuring that all equipment is in good working order and is used correctly.

Training and Education

The club is committed to providing all members with the necessary training and education to ensure that they are aware of the potential hazards and are able to play safely.

This includes:

- Providing induction training for new members, which covers the club's safety policies and procedures.
- Providing regular coaching and training on proper playing techniques and equipment use.
- Encouraging all members to report any potential hazards or incidents to the club's management.