USE OF COUNCIL RESERVES FOR FITNESS GROUPS AND PERSONAL TRAINERS POLICY



COUNCIL POLICY	
Reference Number	704127
Responsible Business Unit	CommunityServices
Responsible Officer	General Manager Sustainable Communities
Legislation	Local Government Act 1999
Relevant Delegations	Chief Executive Officer
Related Policies Management Guidelines Frameworks	Management Guideline – use of council reserves by fitness groups and personal trainers Relevant Licence
Link to Strategic Plan	Objective 3.3 - Improve community health, safety and well being
Councilresolution	122.5
Date Adopted	8 September 2014
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Previous Revisions	nil

POLICY STATEMENT

The Rural City of Murray Bridge is committed to improve community health and wellbeing. Personal fitness is one of the Rural City of Murray Bridge's growing recreation trends. Personal training sessions in outdoor spaces are gaining popularity and it is important that these sessions are conducted in a safe manner to ensure the safety of the participants and trainer as well as the general public.

OBJECTIVES

To provide context for the management and use of Council reserves by fitness groups and personal trainers.

To ensure that community use is the priority for Council reserves, to define the use, group size and type of activity performed by fitness professionals.

To ensure that fitness professionals using Council reserves have the appropriate qualifications and insurance to reduce the risk on participants, other reserve users and Council.

To provide a consistency in the management and use by fitness professionals of Council reserves.

To assist in delivering positive health outcomes for the community.

SCOPE

This policy is to apply to all commercial fitness professionals that want to use Council reserves for commercial gain.

This policy is to be used to guide the management of all fitness groups and personal trainers.

PRINCIPLES

The use of Council reserves by fitness professionals is to be managed in accordance with sections; 200, 201, 202 and 238 of the Local Government Act 1999, and in conjunction with councils CommunityLand Management Plans.

Council is committed to initiatives that improve community health and wellbeing.

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The use of Council reserves for commercial purposes will not place undue restrictions on the community's use.

Commercial use of Council reserves will be managed by way of issuing of permits to ensure the control of risk to participants, the community and Council. Permit holders will require appropriate qualifications and insurances for the activities undertaken.