



# POL 0068: Sporting Association Ground Fees

COUNCIL POLICY

## Purpose

This policy provides the methodology for utilising the Sporting Association Ground Fees “Charge per Unit” as specified within the Annual Shire of Esperance *Schedule of Fees and Charges*.

## Scope

This policy applies to seasonal users of Shire of Esperance sporting grounds.

## Definitions

N/A

## Practice

Council will set a ‘unit’ charge for the seasonal use of Shire of Esperance sporting fields. Seasonal sporting association fees will be calculated based on the following formula:

Number of Grounds x Field Size x Length of Season x Impact x Junior Discount = No. of units.

The number of units is then multiplied by the “charge per unit” to determine the total owing by each seasonal user.

### Notes:

Field size is determined per 5000m<sup>2</sup> (approximately). All football/cricket ovals are rated as being 20,000m<sup>2</sup>.

Season Length is measured either as ½ year or full year.

Impact of each sport on the grounds is measured as either high or low.

The Junior Discount (at a rate of 75%) is only applied in instances where there is no senior competition with regards to that particular sport.

Allowance is for 1 day of competition or club day per sport per field. No charge for training however competition/club days have priority. Additional days attract an additional charge, although discretion is available where a full day’s activity is split across two days without impacting on other sports and/or resulting in a lower impact on the sporting grounds.

Sports will not have their fee increase by more than \$300 or 10% (whichever is greater) in a single year (unless they add an additional ground or day to their previous booking).

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## Document Information

Responsible Position	Director External Services
Risk Rating	Low

## Referencing Documents

- *Local Government Act 1995*

## Revision History

Date	Version	CM Reference	Reason for Change	Resolution #	Next Review
Jul 2017	1	D17/20732 (rev 03)	New policy	O0717-169	Jul 2019
Apr 2018	2	D17/20732 (rev 05)	Biennial review, no change.	O0418-075	Apr 2020
Mar 2020	3		No change, laid on table for further discussion.	O0320-073	Mar 2022
Jun 2020	4	D17/20732[v2]	Policy moved to Executive Services area reflecting the reporting line under the organisational structure.	O0620-183	Jun 2022
Jan 2022	5	D17/20732[v3]	No change to wording – move to Corporate & Community Services.	O0122-012	Jan 2024
Feb 2024	6	D17/20732[v4]	Update responsible officer.	O0224-018	Feb 2026
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