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Reserve (BSRR) Users' Code of Conduct (Code of Conduct)

The Code of Conduct outlines the expectations for the behaviour of all individuals utilizing the Berry Springs Recreation Reserve, situated at 1130 Cox Peninsula Road, Berry Springs NT 0838. This document serves as a guide to ensure that all Users understand their responsibilities while on the premises.

All Users are required to demonstrate respect for the facilities, fellow visitors, and the surrounding environment. Compliance with the Conditions of Entry, as specified in the Code of Conduct, is essential to fostering a safe and welcoming atmosphere for everyone engaged in sports, recreation, and leisure activities.

By adhering to these standards, Users help create an environment that promotes positive interactions and enhances the overall experience at Berry Springs Recreation Reserve. This commitment not only supports individual enjoyment but also contributes to the community's well-being and the preservation of the reserve for future generations.

1. Definitions

"BSRR" means Berry Springs Recreation Reserve and all affiliates including the Berry Springs Recreation Reserve Inc.

"BSRR Environment" means BSRR's internal premises (all structures and fixtures within the BSRR Building), external premises (all structures and fixtures outside the BSRR Building) and virtual environments (including BSRR's website or Social Media Platforms directly managed by BSRR).

"Grounds" means the physical structures and areas associated with BSRR (including the attached car parks, Oval, gardens and footpaths) and virtual environment (including website and Social Media platforms).

"User/s" means any individual who enters the grounds of the Berry Springs Recreation Reserve (BSRR) is deemed a User for the purposes of this document. This includes all visitors, participants, and any other persons who come onto the property.

"Member" means a person holding a valid membership with the BSRR.

"Management Committee" means responsibility for the servicing and maintenance of the driveway, open space, gardens, natural bushland and trees, management of property and buildings, venues and assets, major projects, and recreational facilities including tennis court, skate park, playground and sporting oval. It also provides the public with services to private property.

"BSRR Building" means BSRR's internal premises (all structures and fixtures within the BSRR Building).

2. Conditions of Entry

2.1. Responsibilities of Users

All Users who enter and remain on the BSRR grounds are required to:

- a) **Adhere to all signs and instructions:** Users must follow any posted signs, guidelines, or directions given by staff or management while on the premises. This includes safety instructions and rules for specific areas of the reserve.

- b) **Maintain appropriate behaviour:** Users must conduct themselves in a manner that is orderly and non-disruptive. Any actions deemed disorderly or disruptive by the Management Committee, which could negatively impact the experience of other Users, are prohibited. This includes loud noises, aggressive behaviour, or any form of harassment.

2.2. Right to Refuse Entry

BSRR reserves the right to deny entry to or remove any individual from its premises if that individual does not adhere to the established conditions. This authority applies to any person whose behaviour is deemed inappropriate or who fails to comply with the rules implemented for the safety and enjoyment of all users. Such measures are in place to maintain a respectful and secure environment for everyone on the grounds.

2.3. Right to Access Services

All Users have the right to access the services and facilities offered at BSRR without facing undue distraction or disturbance. This means that Users should be able to enjoy the amenities of the reserve without interruptions caused by the actions of others.

2.4. Prohibition of Inappropriate Language and Behaviour

The use of inappropriate language, including but not limited to profanity, slurs, or any offensive remarks, as well as any form of unacceptable behaviour, is strictly prohibited. Such conduct may lead to immediate removal from the premises, as it undermines the inclusive and respectful environment that BSRR aims to maintain.

2.5. Protection of Property

No User is allowed to deface, mutilate, or destroy any property belonging to BSRR. This includes structures, landscaping, equipment, and any other resources within the reserve. Individuals found engaging in such behaviour will not only face potential penalties but will also be financially responsible for the repair or replacement of any property that has been damaged. This policy is in place to ensure that the facilities remain in good condition for all Users.

3. Dress code

3.1. All users must wear appropriate footwear and suitable clothing while utilizing the facilities at Berry Springs Recreation Reserve. This requirement applies to, but is not limited to, the following areas: the tennis court, skate park, playground, main building, and sporting oval. Appropriate clothing should be comfortable and suitable for physical activity, ensuring the safety and enjoyment of all users.

4. Policies on Smoking, Food and Drink, and Prohibited Substances

4.1. Smoking Regulations

Smoking is strictly prohibited in all indoor areas of the Berry Springs Recreation Reserve (BSRR) grounds to ensure a safe and healthy environment for all users. This includes, but is not limited to, the main building, restrooms, and any enclosed facilities. Furthermore, smoking is not permitted within two meters of any door or entrance to a building

4.2. Food and Drink Consumption

The consumption of food and beverages is permitted within the grounds of Berry Springs Recreation Reserve (BSRR). Users are encouraged to enjoy their meals and drinks in designated areas while

appreciating the natural surroundings. However, it is the responsibility of each user to ensure the proper disposal of any food or beverage items they bring onto the premises.

4.3. Glass Container Restrictions

To ensure the safety of all Users, the use of glass bottles and containers is prohibited within the BSRR grounds. We encourage visitors to opt for plastic or other non-breakable alternatives to minimize the risk of injury, particularly in areas frequented by children and families.

4.4. Drug Prohibition

The consumption of illegal drugs is strictly forbidden in all areas of the Berry Springs Recreation Reserve.

4.5. Dangerous Substances Policy

To ensure the safety and well-being of all visitors at the Berry Springs Recreation Reserve (BSRR), Users are strictly prohibited from bringing any dangerous substances onto the grounds unless given special permission from the BSRR Management Committee. This policy is essential to protect both the natural environment, and the facilities provided for public use.

Dangerous substances include, but are not limited to:

- a) **Flammable Materials:** This category encompasses items such as gasoline, lighter fluid, fireworks, and other combustible substances that pose a fire hazard. The presence of such materials can create a significant risk to the safety of individuals and the surrounding area.
- b) **Paints and Solvents:** Users are not allowed to bring any types of paint, varnish, or solvents, as these can contain harmful chemicals and fumes that may endanger health and safety.
- c) **Heavy Metals:** Any substances that contain heavy metals, such as lead, mercury, or cadmium, are strictly prohibited.
- d) **Adhesives and Glues:** Various types of adhesives, including super glue and industrial-strength glues, are also banned. Many of these substances contain hazardous chemicals that can be harmful if inhaled or if they come into contact with skin.
- e) **Other Hazardous Chemicals:** This includes any other substances that may be classified as hazardous, toxic, or corrosive. Users should be aware of any materials they intend to bring onto the grounds and ensure they do not fall into this category.

5. Animals

5.1. Permitted Animals

Animals are permitted within the grounds of Berry Springs Recreation Reserve (BSRR), provided they are on a leash and under the control of their owner at all times. This policy ensures the safety of all visitors and animals, as well as the protection of the reserve's natural environment. Owners are responsible for their animals' behaviour and must ensure they do not disrupt other Users or wildlife.

5.2. Management of Unauthorized Animals

The BSRR Management Committee or designated Caretaker is authorized to take appropriate measures to remove any unauthorized animals from the BSRR grounds. Should an animal be found on the premises without proper authorization, the Management Committee or Caretaker may request that the owner, or the individual responsible for the animal, comply with this policy. This may involve instructing the owner or responsible party to remove the unauthorized animal from the grounds immediately.

6. Use of mobile phones and cameras

6.1. Use of Mobile Phones and Cameras

The use of mobile phones and cameras is strictly prohibited in the restrooms located within the Berry Springs Recreation Reserve (BSRR). This policy is implemented to ensure the privacy and comfort of all Users while utilizing these facilities.

6.2. Commercial Photography and Filming of Users

Users are prohibited from photographing or filming other patrons within the grounds of the Berry Springs Recreation Reserve (BSRR) for commercial purposes unless they have first obtained explicit permission from the Management Committee. This policy is designed to protect the privacy and rights of all individuals who visit the reserve.

Commercial photography and filming encompass any activity intended for commercial gain, including but not limited to promotional materials, advertisements, social media campaigns, or any other commercial ventures. As such, it is crucial to ensure that all participants have provided informed consent before any such activities take place.

To seek permission, individuals or organizations must submit a formal request to the Management Committee detailing the intended purpose of the photography or filming, the nature of the project, and how it will be conducted. The request should also specify the dates and times of the planned activities, as well as the locations within the reserve where the photography or filming will occur.

7. Personal belongings and hire equipment

7.1. Any personal belongings or articles left unattended at the Berry Springs Recreation Reserve (BSRR) by patrons at closing time will be collected and stored for a period of fourteen (14) days. During this time, the BSRR staff will make reasonable efforts to safeguard these items; however, it is the responsibility of each patron to ensure they collect their belongings before leaving the premises. After the fourteen-day storage period, any unclaimed items will be donated to a charitable organization. This policy is in place to encourage timely collection of personal belongings while also supporting those in need within the community.

It is important to note that BSRR accepts no responsibility for any personal belongings left on the grounds. Patrons are strongly advised to keep their belongings with them at all times or to securely store them in designated areas. The reserve is not liable for any loss, theft, or damage to items that are left unattended.

8. Minimum age for facility use

8.1. Parental and Guardian Responsibilities

Parents and guardians bear the primary responsibility for the safety and well-being of their children while visiting the Berry Springs Recreation Reserve (BSRR). To ensure a secure environment, parents and guardians must remain within close proximity to children under five (5) years of age at all times. Additionally, they should maintain visual contact with children aged twelve (12) years and under throughout their visit.

8.2. Supervision of Children Under Twelve

Children under the age of twelve (12) must be accompanied and actively supervised by a parent or guardian who is at least sixteen (16) years of age. This requirement is intended to provide adequate oversight and support to younger children, ensuring their safety while they enjoy the facilities at BSRR.

8.3. Guidelines for Young People

Young individuals aged thirteen (13) to eighteen (18) may utilize the facilities at BSRR without direct supervision, as long as their behavior is appropriate and respectful of other visitors. However, it is strongly advised that children under the age of thirteen (13) should not be left unattended at the reserve. Parents and guardians are encouraged to ensure that younger children are accompanied by an adult to foster a safe and enjoyable experience for everyone.

9. Camping or Fires

9.1 Camping or live fires are NOT allowed at the Berry Springs Recreation Reserve unless prior permission is given in writing from the Berry Springs Recreation Reserve Management Committee.

10. Authority to Enforce Regulations

10.1 Authority

Members of the Management Committee and designated Caretakers of the Berry Springs Recreation Reserve (BSRR) are granted the authority to ensure that all Users adhere to the Conditions of Entry and the Code of Conduct. This responsibility includes monitoring behaviour and addressing any violations in a timely and effective manner.

10.2. Definition of Misconduct

Serious violations of the Code of Conduct, which may include causing damage to property, disrupting the operations of BSRR, or infringing upon the rights of other Users, are classified as acts of misconduct. In such cases, the Management Committee reserves the right to require the individual responsible to vacate the premises under the authority of the Inclosed Lands Protection Act 1901 and other applicable legislation.

10.3. Enforcement of Removal

If an individual fails to comply with a request to leave the Berry Springs Recreation Reserve (BSRR) grounds, the reserve reserves the right to engage law enforcement authorities. This action is necessary to ensure the safety and security of all visitors and to maintain a peaceful environment for everyone utilizing the facilities.

In cases where law enforcement is called to assist, any associated costs incurred during this process—such as fines, legal fees, or other charges—will be the responsibility of the individual/s involved.

11. Revision of conditions

11.1. The Management Committee of the Berry Springs Recreation Reserve may revise and update these conditions and the Code of Conduct from time to time.