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### **SAFETY STATEMENT**

### SECTION 20

### SAFETY, HEALTH AND WELFARE AT WORK ACT 2005

CLUB NAME: Cratice GAA Club Address: Ballymorris, Cratice, Co. Clare

This Safety Statement is our programme in writing to manage health and safety. It is aimed at protecting our employees and all users from accidents and ill-health while at work. It is also aimed at providing the safest facilities for our players and mentors insofar as is reasonably practicable. We will provide a safe place of work for our employees/users and those affected by our work and will provide any guards, protective equipment, information, training and supervision necessary to protect our employees. This Safety Statement is available to employees/users of our facilities. We will update it as necessary and review it at least once a year.

#### **EMERGENCY CONTACTS**

**Chairman**: 061-357587 **Doctor**: ShannonDoc 1850 212919 **Ambulance**: 999 or 112

Secretary: 087-9568920 Gardai: Shannon Garda Station 061-365900

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#### **GENERAL PRINCIPLES OF PREVENTION – THIRD SCHEDULE**

The Cratloe GAA Club will comply with Schedule 3 of the Safety, Health and Welfare at Work Act 2005 by:

- (1) The avoidance of risks.
- (2) The evaluation of unavoidable risks.
- (3) The combating of risks at source.
- (4) The adaptation of work to the individual, especially as regards the design of the Cratloe GAA Club place of work, the choice of work equipment and the choice of systems of work, with a view, in particular, to alleviating monotonous work and work at a predetermined work rate and to reducing the effect of this work on health.
- (5) The adaptation of the place of work to technical progress.
- (6) The replacement of dangerous articles, substances or systems of work by safe or less dangerous articles, substances or systems of work.
- (7) The giving of priority to collective protective measures over individual protective measures.
- (8) The development of an adequate prevention policy in relation to safety, health and welfare at work, which takes account of technology, organisation of work, working conditions, social factors and the influence of factors related to the working environment.
- (9) The giving of appropriate training and instructions to employees.

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#### **Cratioe GAA - OUTDOOR RISK ASSESSMENT**

IDENTIFIED HAZARD	RISK ASSESSED	CONTROL MEASURES
Electricity	Medium	Qualified electricians to routinely check the integrity of the electrical installation including sockets, light fittings and cabling both inside and out.
Tennis Court lights and Pitch Lights	Medium	Use of safe means of access such as hoist to work on lights at top of standards. Qualified person to operate hoist and qualified electrician to repair/install lights. All tradesmen to hold current Safe Pass.
Overhead/Underground ESB Lines	High	No Overhead Lines. Map of underground electricity wires to be held by Club Safety Officer. No digging to be done without referring to this map
Equipment/Machinery	Low	All equipment/machinery used to be maintained in a safe condition. Each piece of equipment to be operated by trained personnel only. Regular inspection and repair (as necessary) to be carried out on all equipment by a competent person. When using machinery the appropriate PPE is to be used/worn.
Grass Cutting Machinery/ Tractor	High	Competent person to operate machinery at all times. All moving parts including P.T.O. and blades to be fully guarded at all times. Appropriate PPE to be worn.
Ladders	Medium	Use only aluminium ladders in good condition. Never use ladders alone. Ladders when so used must be stable, prevented from slipping, rise above the landing area, and, enable the user to maintain a secure handhold.

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#### Cratioe GAA - OUTDOOR RISK ASSESSMENT CONTINUED

Permanent Goal Posts	Low	Routinely inspect for damage and repair as necessary.
Temporary Goal Posts	Low	Transportable temporary goals to be of such a design and construction as to prevent accidental overturning, notwithstanding that the overturning might be occasioned by horseplay.
Goal Post Area	Low	If ball-stoppers are not in place, ensure there is adequate stewarding around the back of goal areas during the pre-match warm-up period to prevent spectators passing or standing behind the goals, being struck by balls.
Playing Pitch and Spec- tator Area	Low	At least one hour before match check grounds for dangerous objects like broken bottles, or other articles, that may have been thrown into the grounds by others.
Hurling Wall	Low	Regular inspection for wear on astraturf. Fence surround and overhead fence on top of wall to prevent accidental injury by balls going outside or over the wall. Adjacent drain piped and filled in.
Walking Path	Low	Kept clear of any obstacles, by regular inspection.
Tennis Courts Astra turf Tennis nets	Low Low	Tennis officials regularly inspect for wear, sanding, brushing Regular inspection for wear and
Tennis wire surround	Low	timely replacement  Regular inspection for damage,
		rust.
Pitch Boundary (Hedging and trees)	Low	Inspect regularly and maintain/cut back as necessary. Appropriate PPE to be worn.

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#### Cratioe GAA - OUTDOOR RISK ASSESSMENT CONTINUED

Gates( main gate, gate onto pitch, tennis court gates)	Low	Routinely check hinges and mount- ings for damage.
Parking Area	Low	Maintain in clean and tidy condition.
Traffic	Medium	Clear direction signs in place. Adequate number of personnel to be in charge on big match days.
Infection Control	Low	Suitable protective gloves to be provided for refuse disposal and manual work around hedgerows.
Rodent Infestation	Low	Eliminate risk of rodent infestation by good housekeeping and prevent accumulation of litter.
Working Alone	Low	Club officials will monitor work place daily
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Work by Contractors	Low	Ensure that all contractors working on property owned by the Cratloe GAA have an up to date Safety Statement and ensure this Statement is submitted to the Club as part of any tender process.
Use of Facilities	Low	Ensure all users of the facilities are covered by the GAA Insurance Scheme. In the event that an outside group is using the property ensure that their insurance company has indemnified Cratloe GAA against potential claims.

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#### **CRATLOE GAA - CLUBHOUSE RISK ASSESSMENT**

IDENTIFIED HAZARD	RISK ASSESSED	CONTROL MEASURES
Clubhouse	Low	Conditions of Fire Safety Certificate to be fully monitored and supervised by competent persons during use of Clubhouse
Sports Hall	Low	Use of limited to persons with appropriate prior permission of Sportlann Committee. Regular cleaning rota maintained by approved users
Meeting Room	Low	Use of room limited to persons with permission to do so. Meeting room to be maintained in a clean and tidy condition.
Gym	Low	Use of Gym limited to Club members. Sports hall to be maintained in a clean and tidy condition. All users must be trained in the use of the equipment. The equipment must comply with safety standards. The equipment must be supplied by a reputable supplier with his own products liability insurance which must be available on request The equipment must be installed by professionals. The equipment must be inspected regularly and inspection certificates must be available on request. No person under 16 years may use the equipment at any time. At least two members must be present when Gym is in use.
Fire Exits	Low	Fire exits to be kept clear of obstruction. Regular checks on fire exits to ensure their proper functioning. At no times are fire exits to be locked by use of chains, padlocks or any other fixed device.

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#### **CRATLOE GAA - CLUBHOUSE RISK ASSESSMENT CONTINUED**

IDENTIFIED HAZARD	RISK ASSESSED	CONTROL MEASURES
Fire Extinguishers	Low	Appropriate fire extinguishers to be provided at appropriate points. Fire extinguishers suitable for general fires, electrical fires and kitchen fires to be available at all times. Safety Officer to ensure that fire extinguishers are full and ready for use at all times. Fire blanket to be stored in the kitchen in an easily accessible location.
Changing Rooms	Low	Changing rooms to be kept in a clean and tidy condition.
Showers	Low	Ensure the shower area is kept in a clean and tidy condition.
Slips, Trips and Falls	Low	Keep all floor areas clear of obstruction.  Ensure all electrical cables are stored securely so as not to cause a trip risk.  Any spillages to be cleaned immediately and appropriate signage to be used to indicate wet floor areas.
Use of Facilities	Low	Ensure all users of the facilities are covered by the GAA Insurance Scheme. In the event that an outside group is using the property ensure that their insurance company has indemnified Cratloe GAA against potential claims.
Accident Reporting	N/A	All accidents to be reported to the Chairman on the Club Accident Report Form (available on request)

**SIGNED**: John Ryan **POSITION HELD**: Chairman

**SIGNED:** Deirdre Chaplin **POSITION HELD:** Secretary

**DATE:** 20/02/2014