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Facility and Equipment Safety Policy

Purpose

MMU is committed to providing safe training and playing environments. This Policy establishes minimum expectations for the facilities and equipment used in Club activities and supports alignment with the Canada Soccer Guide to Safety.

Third-Party Facilities

MMU primarily leases or uses facilities owned or operated by municipalities, school boards and other entities. MMU relies on those operators for structural maintenance and facility-level safety systems and will comply with their applicable safety rules, emergency procedures and equipment requirements. MMU will provide stakeholders with access to relevant operator policies or webpages where reasonably available.

Pre-Activity Safety Check

Before an activity begins, the coach or designated Club representative should conduct a reasonable visual check of the playing area and equipment for hazards appropriate to the environment, including unsafe surfaces, debris,

unsecured or damaged goals, damaged equipment, unsafe boundaries, water or ice, inadequate lighting, or other obvious hazards.

Unsafe Conditions

A person identifying an unsafe condition must take reasonable steps to prevent use of the affected area or equipment, notify the coach or Club representative, and report facility-related hazards to the facility operator where appropriate. Activities must be modified, relocated, delayed or cancelled when a condition presents an unreasonable safety risk.

Equipment

- Portable goals and other equipment must be used, anchored, moved and stored in accordance with manufacturer and facility requirements.
- Damaged or unsafe Club equipment must be removed from use until repaired or replaced.
- Players must use age-appropriate equipment and required protective equipment in accordance with applicable soccer rules.
- Coaches should have reasonable access to first-aid supplies and emergency contact information appropriate to the activity.

Emergency and Weather Procedures

MMU activities must follow applicable facility emergency procedures and MMU safety policies, including the Club Lightning Policy. Coaches and team personnel should know how to contact emergency services and identify the facility location for emergency response.

Reporting

Safety concerns regarding MMU equipment or a facility used by the Club should be reported to office@mmu.soccer. MMU will coordinate with the facility operator as appropriate.