

SAFETY RULES 2023
THE DAVID BROWN CLUB OF NEW ZEALAND INC

1. DEFINITION

A “Club Event” is defined as any function (other than a social function), event or activity being held under the Club’s name, and that has been arranged through, and formally approved by, the Management Committee.

2. SAFETY STATEMENT

(a) Every person visiting any area designated as an event site, as an organiser, assistant, participant/exhibitor, employee/contractor, or spectator, is expected to act safely and take personal responsibility for his/her own safety and well-being, and that of any children under his/her care.

(b) For its part, the Club will take all reasonable and practicable steps to ensure the safety and well-being of all persons at an event site, both in spirit, and as required by current New Zealand legislation.

(c) The Club will, to the best of its ability, identify any hazards within the event site, and will record these in a Hazard Register together with the steps to be taken to control, minimize, or eliminate those hazards.

(d) All persons entering an event site will be advised to read carefully, and must comply with, any safety signs and notices.

(e) For each event, the Management Committee will appoint a Safety Officer or officers, who will be clearly identified as such for the duration of the event.

(f) All persons present at an event, in any capacity whatsoever, must obey any instruction given by a Safety Officer.

3. MEDICAL ASSISTANCE

(a) At each event the Management Committee will arrange for a suitable level of First Aid to be readily available. At the very least this will be a good quality First Aid Kit stocked with serviceable items to treat minor cuts/abrasions and to use as first field dressings.

(b) Each Event organiser is to ensure the kit is available for the duration of the event, and that its location is advised to event attendees at the commencement of the programme of activities.

(c) Should an injury/illness occur where medical assistance is required, the injured/ill person should be taken, without delay, to the nearest medical treatment facility.

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(d) If there is any doubt about the extent of an injury, or the seriousness of any illness, or if they are clearly serious, then the Ambulance Service should be called immediately.

(e) The Event Organiser is to be informed immediately of any injury requiring medical assistance, and, if appropriate, he/she is to suspend the programme of activities forthwith.

4. OPERATION OF EQUIPMENT

Persons must not touch or operate any tractor or machinery unless they have obtained permission from the owner or person in charge. Persons operating any equipment must always operate it in a safe and responsible manner. 12- to 16-year-olds must be under the supervision of a parent or guardian.

5. PASSENGERS

Driver only on tractors unless extra seating is provided.

6. CHILDREN

Children under 12 years of age must not:

- (a) Drive a tractor or self-propelled vehicle.
- (b) Ride on a tractor - Clause 4 applies.

7. LOADING & UNLOADING

When using a tractor with a front-end loader or rear forks and other lifting devices, certified chains must be used with swivel hooks. One person nominated shall give instructions to the driver as required with clear directions & be always in view of the operator. If the driver is in doubt STOP.

When lifting ploughs, the vehicle moves away, and the plough is lowered to the ground. This also applies to stationary engines. Control ropes to be used to guide implements etc. for loading and unloading.

8. BULLDOZER OPERATING

When loading/unloading the transporter, the park brake must be on. Blade to be kept as low as possible for loading/unloading.

Lower all hydraulic equipment to the ground, engage master clutch - and hand or park brake if fitted, when stationary.

Be alert for sticks and debris caught in the tracks when operating, that may cause injury to the operator or bystanders.

9. MOBILE RAMP

When loading/unloading machinery, the transporter hand/park brake is to be applied. Ramp chained or secured to the transporter.

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10. STATIONARY MACHINERY

When operating stationary machinery be aware of belts-pulleys-shafts being caught in loose clothing or hair. If possible working area to be fenced off from spectators.

11. FUELS

All fuels to be stored in approved containers and kept a safe distance from operating machinery.

12. IMMOBILIZE

All relevant machinery to be immobilised before maintenance is carried out or repairs, except for dyno-spark timing adjustments.

13. NO ALCOHOL

No alcohol is to be consumed until the event is completed or concluded.

14. SAFETY SIGNS

Erect and observe all safety signs as required.

TRACTOR TREKS

- 15. Tractors are to display registration plate with current licence tag and WOF (if required) to L.T.S.A. standard if used on public roads. Brakes-tyres-steering to be at WOF standard as manufactured by the maker for the time period. Time Licence or hub odometer to be displayed.
- 16. Current public DRIVERS LICENCE to be carried.
- 17. Convenor of the event to appoint or be SAFETY OFFICER (if the Club Safety Officer is not present). Safety rules to be pointed out before the event starts.
- 18. SAFETY OFFICER to check that tow-bar balls are pinned and fitted in a snug fitting hole in the drawbar. Towbars on trailers, and safety chains must be checked daily. Towbars and drawbars to be carried for emergency towing.
- 19. L.T.S.A. rules apply on all public roads including beaches as they are public places.
- 20. RULES & BYLAWS can be amended/added to by the Committee at future times if required.

The Club Seal was affixed hereto in the presence of

President

and

Secretary