

## OVALS

### Objective

- To outline Council's expectations for oval bookings
- To increase the safety of participants and spectators at sporting events at Gilgandra ovals.
- To protect the playing surface of the McGrane and Ernie Knight ovals.

### Scope

All sporting events at all Council ovals in Gilgandra Shire.

### Policy

- All ovals to be booked through Council's administration office
- Season draws required for football codes and cricket competitions, together with Certificate of Currency for Public Liability insurance and, if required, written request to supply alcohol (refer Council's policy - *Parks & Reserves – Use of Parks, Alcohol Ban and Closure Times*)
- Sports Council protocol to be used for any conflicting dates between sporting organisations
- No vehicles are permitted to access the playing field at McGrane and Ernie Knight Ovals, other than emergency services vehicles and approved Council vehicles
- All entrances to McGrane Oval and Ernie Knight Oval playing surfaces will be locked with a padlock accessible to Police and Emergency Services personnel and Council staff
- It is a condition of use of all grounds that all spectators be kept outside the fence at McGrane Oval and outside the playing area at all other venues.

Note: Where a sporting body wishes to allow spectators on the area adjacent to the playing field and is willing to accept the risk associated with the decision, **written advice of such arrangement should be provided to Council with the sporting body's application for annual usage or for particular one off events.**

### Relevant Legislation

Nil

*Associated Documents*

Council's policy *Parks & Reserves – Use of Parks, Alcohol Ban and Closure Times*

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