

South Australia

Recreation Grounds Regulations 2026

under the *Recreation Grounds (Regulations) Act 1931*

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Part 1—Preliminary

1—Short title

These regulations may be cited as the *Recreation Grounds Regulations 2026*.

2—Commencement

These regulations come into operation on 1 September 2026.

3—Interpretation

- (1) In these regulations—
- assistance dog** has the same meaning as in the *Dog and Cat Management Act 1995*;
- authorised person**, in relation to a recreation ground, means—
- (a) a person authorised by the controlling body of that recreation ground for the purposes of these regulations; or
 - (b) if the controlling body of that recreation ground is a council constituted under the *Local Government Act 1999*, an authorised person appointed by the council under that Act; or
 - (c) a police officer or a special constable;
- controlling body**, in relation to a recreation ground, means the body listed in Schedule 1 against the name of the recreation ground;
- special constable** has the same meaning as in the *Police Act 1998*.
- (2) A reference in these regulations to a recreation ground is a reference to a recreation ground specified in Schedule 1.

4—Delegation

- (1) The controlling body of a recreation ground may delegate any function of the controlling body under these regulations to a particular person or body or to the person for the time being performing particular duties or holding or acting in a particular position.
- (2) A delegation under this regulation—
- (a) must be by instrument in writing; and
 - (b) may be absolute or conditional; and
 - (c) does not derogate from the power of the controlling body to act in a matter; and
 - (d) is revocable at will by the controlling body.
- (3) A function delegated under this regulation may, if the instrument of delegation so provides, be further delegated.

Part 2—Use of recreation grounds

5—Entry to and exit from grounds

- (1) A person must not enter a recreation ground except by an entrance provided by the controlling body.
Maximum penalty: \$380.
- (2) A person must not leave a recreation ground except by an exit provided by the controlling body.
Maximum penalty: \$380.

6—Entrance fees

A person must not enter a recreation ground, or a part of a recreation ground to which access is restricted by the controlling body, unless the person—

- (a) pays the entrance fee (if any); or
- (b) is otherwise authorised by the controlling body to enter.

Maximum penalty: \$750.

7—Behaviour of persons on grounds

- (1) A person must not, while on a recreation ground, remain in a walkway or on stairs after having been requested to move from that position by an authorised person.

Maximum penalty: \$380.

- (2) A person must not—

- (a) deposit litter, refuse or waste matter in any place (other than a receptacle provided for that purpose); or
- (b) distribute any printed matter; or
- (c) erect a sign; or
- (d) offer any article for sale; or
- (e) take up a collection; or
- (f) drive or ride any vehicle; or
- (g) bring a dog or, if the owner or person in charge of a dog, allow the dog to remain; or
- (h) climb or be on a fence, tree, building, wall or other structure,

on a recreation ground except as authorised by the controlling body or these regulations.

Maximum penalty: \$380.

- (3) Subregulation (2)(g) does not apply in relation to an assistance dog accompanying a person with a disability if it is restrained on a lead not exceeding 3 metres in length at all times.

- (4) A person must not, except as authorised by the controlling body—

- (a) bring alcohol onto a recreation ground; or
- (b) consume alcohol on a recreation ground.

Maximum penalty: \$380.

- (5) A person must not, while on a recreation ground, smoke in an area where smoking is prohibited by the controlling body by signs erected with the authority of the controlling body.

Maximum penalty: \$380.

- (6) A person must not—
- (a) obstruct or interfere with the conduct of a sporting or other event on a recreation ground or the reasonable enjoyment of a spectator of such an event; or
 - (b) enter onto, or be on, an oval or playing field or other area within a recreation ground used for the staging of sporting or other events on a day on which such an event is scheduled to occur unless—
 - (i) the person is a player, competitor, umpire, official, medical attendant, performer or technician or is otherwise officially involved in the event or in the preparations for the event; or
 - (ii) the person has been authorised by the controlling body so to enter.

Maximum penalty: \$5 000.

- (7) A person must not, while on or in the vicinity of a recreation ground, misuse or damage any property of—
- (a) the controlling body of the recreation ground; or
 - (b) a person or body that has been granted a right to occupy the recreation ground or part of the recreation ground (whether under a lease, licence, contract for hire or any other agreement for the occupancy of land).

Maximum penalty: \$5 000.

- (8) A person must not, while on or in the vicinity of a recreation ground, carry or be in possession of a flare, firework, explosive device or missile without lawful excuse (proof of which lies on the person).

Maximum penalty: \$5 000.

- (9) In this regulation—

smoke has the same meaning as in the *Tobacco and E-Cigarette Products Act 1997*.

8—Removal of person from grounds

- (1) A police officer or special constable may remove from a recreation ground any person reasonably suspected of having committed an offence while on the recreation ground.
- (2) A person who has been removed from a recreation ground under subregulation (1) must not re-enter the recreation ground within 24 hours of their removal.

Maximum penalty: \$2 000.

9—Powers of authorised persons

- (1) If an authorised person reasonably suspects that a vehicle or dog (other than an assistance dog)—
 - (a) has been brought onto a recreation ground or a part of a recreation ground in breach of these regulations; or
 - (b) is obstructing or interfering with, or is likely to obstruct or interfere with, the conduct of a sporting or other event on the recreation ground or the reasonable enjoyment of a spectator of such an event,

the authorised person may require the owner or person in charge of the vehicle or dog to remove the vehicle or dog from the recreation ground (or from a part of it) or, if the owner or person in charge of the vehicle or dog cannot be located in the vicinity, may remove the vehicle or dog from the recreation ground (or part of it).

- (2) An authorised person may require a person who the authorised person reasonably suspects of having breached these regulations to state truthfully the person's full name and usual place of residence.
- (3) A person must not, without reasonable excuse, refuse or fail to comply with a requirement of an authorised person under this regulation.

Maximum penalty: \$2 000.

10—Disclosure and use of information

- (1) The controlling body and each authorised person for a recreation ground is authorised to use or to disclose to another person information (including personal information) obtained in the course of performing functions under these regulations if the use or disclosure is reasonably necessary for restricting the entry into the recreation ground of a person who is reasonably suspected of breaching these regulations or committing an offence while on the recreation ground.
- (2) Information that has been disclosed under subregulation (1) for the purposes set out in that subregulation must not be used or disclosed for any other purpose by—
 - (a) the person to whom the information was disclosed; or
 - (b) any other person who gains access to the information (whether properly or improperly and whether directly or indirectly) as a result of that disclosure.

Maximum penalty: \$2 000.

- (3) In this regulation—

personal information means information (including an individual's name) or an opinion, whether true or not, about an individual whose identity is apparent, or can reasonably be ascertained, from the information or opinion.

Schedule 1—Recreation grounds

Name of recreation ground	Description of land	Controlling body
Adelaide Aquatic Centre	The Adelaide Aquatic Centre located within Denise Norton Park, North Adelaide, being a portion of the land described in Crown Record Register Book Volume 6102 Folio 710, including associated car parking and vehicle access areas.	Minister for Recreation, Sport and Racing
Adelaide Oval	The Adelaide Oval Core Area (within the meaning of the <i>Adelaide Oval Redevelopment and Management Act 2011</i>).	Adelaide Oval SMA Limited
Adelaide Showground	The whole of the land described in Certificate of Title Register Book Volume 6083 Folio 257.	Royal Agricultural and Horticultural Society of South Australia Incorporated

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Name of recreation ground	Description of land	Controlling body
Alberton Oval	The whole of the land described in Certificates of Title Register Book Volume 5553 Folio 489, Volume 5553 Folio 490, Volume 5831 Folio 45, Volume 6320 Folio 142 and Volume 6320 Folio 143.	Port Adelaide Football Club Ltd
A.M. Ramsay Regatta Course	The whole of the land described in Certificate of Title Register Book Volume 5749 Folio 881.	Minister for Recreation, Sport and Racing
Angle Vale Community Sports Centre	The whole of the land described in Certificate of Title Register Book Volume 6297 Folio 56.	City of Playford
Balaklava Racecourse	The whole of the land described in Certificate of Title Register Book Volume 6036 Folio 650.	Balaklava Racing Club Incorporated
Central Oval	Crown Record Volume 6157 Folio 988.	The Corporation of the City of Port Augusta
Chinnery Oval	Crown Record Volume 6089 Folio 334.	The Corporation of the City of Port Augusta
Clare Racecourse	The whole of the land described in Certificates of Title Register Book Volume 5647 Folio 465 and Volume 5836 Folio 302.	Clare Valley Racing Club Inc
Copper Coast recreation grounds—		Copper Coast Council
(a) Kadina Oval	Crown Record Volume 5939 Folio 645.	
(b) Copper Coast Recreation Centre	Crown Record Volume 5939 Folio 645.	
(c) Moonta Oval	The whole of the land described in Certificate of Title Register Book Volume 5429 Folio 547.	
(d) Paskeville Recreation Ground	Crown Record Volume 5755 Folio 947.	
(e) Wallaroo Recreation Ground	Crown Record Volume 5756 Folio 457 and Crown Record Volume 6095 Folio 584.	
Eagle Mountain Bike Park	The whole of the land described in Certificates of Title Register Book Volume 5949 Folio 563, Volume 5960 Folio 614.	Minister for Recreation, Sport and Racing
Elizabeth Oval	The whole of the land described in Crown Record Register Book Volume 5752 Folio 704.	City of Playford
ETSA Oval	The whole of the land described in Certificate of Title Register Book Volume 6058 Folio 101.	The Corporation of the City of Port Augusta

Name of recreation ground	Description of land	Controlling body
Football Park Oval	The whole of the land described in Certificate of Title Register Book Volume 6306 Folio 167.	City of Charles Sturt
Gawler Racecourse	The whole of the land described in Certificate of Title Register Book Volume 6079 Folio 738.	Gawler & Barossa Jockey Club Incorporated
Glenelg Oval	The whole of the land described in Certificate of Title Register Book Volume 5869 Folio 949.	City of Holdfast Bay
Happy Home Reserve	The whole of the land described in Certificate of Title Register Book Volume 6297 Folio 145.	Minister for Recreation, Sport and Racing
Heini Becker Motorcycle Sports Park	The whole of the land described in Certificates of Title Register Book Volume 5191 Folio 911, Volume 5440 Folio 192.	Minister for Recreation, Sport and Racing
Hindmarsh Stadium Precinct	The whole of the land described in Certificates of Title Register Book Volume 6005 Folios 628, 629, 630 and 631.	Minister for Recreation, Sport and Racing
Kilburn Sports Complex	The whole of the land described in Certificate of Title Register Book Volume 6208 Folio 627.	Minister for Recreation, Sport and Racing
The Drive – Centre Court Precinct; The Drive – Sunken Court Precinct; Tennis SA Clay Court Facility	That part of the Park Lands at Adelaide leased by the Corporation of the City of Adelaide to Tennis SA Incorporated under and by virtue of the Park Lands Lease Agreement dated 7 December 2017 and described in Certificates of Title Register Book Volume 6144 Folio 507 and Volume 6102 Folio 703.	Tennis SA Incorporated
Mile End Sports Precinct—		Minister for Recreation, Sport and Racing
(a) Australian Centre for Sport Aerodynamics	The Australian Centre for Sport Aerodynamics located within the Mile End Sports Precinct at 145A Railway Terrace, Mile End, being a portion of the land described in Certificate of Title Register Book Volume 5983 Folio 203, including associated car parking and vehicle access areas.	
(b) Mile End Sporting Complex	The whole of the land described in Certificate of Title Register Book Volume 5744 Folio 144.	

Name of recreation ground	Description of land	Controlling body
(c) SA Athletics Stadium	The SA Athletics Stadium located within the Mile End Sports Precinct at Marjorie Jackson-Nelson Drive, Mile End, being a portion of the land described in Certificate of Title Register Book Volume 5983 Folio 203, including associated car parking and vehicle access areas.	
(d) South Australian Sports Institute	The South Australian Sports Institute located within the Mile End Sports Precinct at 145B Railway Terrace, Mile End, being a portion of the land described in Certificate of Title Register Book Volume 5983 Folio 203, including associated car parking and vehicle access areas.	
Mindarie-Halidon Racecourse	The whole of the land described in Certificates of Title Register Book Volume 5441 Folio 25 and Volume 5567 Folio 895.	Mindarie-Halidon Racing Club Incorporated
Monarto Shooting Complex	The whole of the land described in Certificates of Title Register Book Volume 5475 Folio 272, Volume 5475 Folio 273, Volume 5483 Folio 490.	Monarto Shooting Complex Incorporated and the Minister for Recreation, Sport and Racing
Morphettville Racecourse	The whole of the land described in Certificate of Title Register Book Volume 6325 Folio 278.	South Australian Jockey Club Incorporated
Mount Gambier Racecourse	The whole of the land described in Certificates of Title Register Book Volume 5969 Folio 43 and Volume 6080 Folio 207.	Mount Gambier Racing Club Incorporated
Munno Para Sportsground	The whole of the land described in Certificate of Title Register Book Volume 6314 Folio 204.	City of Playford
	Note— This land is Allotment (Reserve) 8061 on Deposited Plan 133680.	
Murray Bridge Racecourse	Allotment 103 of Deposited Plan 133204, in the area named Gifford Hill, Hundred of Mobilong, being the whole of the land described in Certificate of Title Volume 6294 Folio 856.	Murray Bridge Racing Club Incorporated
Noarlunga Downs Oval	The whole of the land described in Certificates of Title Register Book Volume 5333 Folio 159, Volume 5411 Folio 719 and Volume 5411 Folio 720.	The South Adelaide Football Club Incorporated

Name of recreation ground	Description of land	Controlling body
North Adelaide Golf Course	The North Adelaide Golf Course located within the Adelaide Park Lands at North Adelaide between Strangways Terrace, War Memorial Drive, Montefiore Road and the River Torrens (Karrawirra Parri), being the whole of the land described in Certificate of Title Register Book Volume 5320 Folio 362 and the whole of the land described in Crown Record Register Book Volume 6102 Folio 711, Volume 5766 Folio 849, Volume 5373 Folio 132 and Volume 5260 Folio 214 and a portion the land described in Crown Record Register Book Volume 6102 Folio 710 and Volume 6144 Folio 507, including associated car parking and vehicle access areas.	Minister for Recreation, Sport and Racing
Parks Football Centre	The Parks Football Centre located at 2/46 Cowan Street, Angle Park, being a portion of the land described in Certificate of Title Register Book Volume 6167 Folio 239, including associated car parking and vehicle access areas.	Minister for Recreation, Sport and Racing
Parks Recreation and Sports Centre	The Parks Recreation and Sports Centre located at 46 Cowan Street, Angle Park, being a portion of the land described in Certificate of Title Register Book Volume 6167 Folio 239, including associated car parking and vehicle access areas.	Minister for Recreation, Sport and Racing
Port Lincoln Racecourse	The whole of the land described in Certificates of Title Register Book Volume 5931 Folio 262 and Volume 5931 Folio 263.	Port Lincoln Racing Club Incorporated
Prospect Oval/Payinithi yarta	The whole of the land described in Certificate of Title Register Book Volume 5204 Folio 868.	City of Prospect
Racing SA Ltd	The whole of the land described in Certificate of Title Register Book Volume 6327 Folio 842.	Racing SA Ltd
Ramsay Park	The whole of the land described in Certificates of Title Register Book Volume 5570 Folio 631 and Volume 6051 Folio 358.	City of Playford
Richmond Oval	The whole of the land described in Certificates of Title Register Book Volume 5667 Folio 295, Volume 6311 Folio 453 and Volume 5686 Folio 485.	The City of West Torrens
SA Aquatic & Leisure Centre	The whole of the land described in Certificates of Title Register Book Volume 6171 Folio 269 and Volume 6171 Folio 268.	Minister for Recreation, Sport and Racing

Name of recreation ground	Description of land	Controlling body
Southern Sports Complex	The whole of the land described in Certificates of Title Register Book Volume 5333 Folio 159, Volume 5411 Folio 720, and Volume 5411 Folio 721.	Minister for Recreation, Sport and Racing
State Shooting Park	The whole of the land described in Certificates of Title Register Book Volume 6255 Folio 537 and Volume 5845 Folio 68.	Minister for Recreation, Sport and Racing
State Sports Park—		Minister for Recreation, Sport and Racing
(a) Adelaide Super Drome	The whole of the land described in Certificate of Title Register Book Volume 6095 Folio 717.	
(b) State Centre of Archery	The State Centre of Archery located at 10 Anna Meares Way, Gepps Cross, being a portion of the land described in Certificate of Title Register Book Volume 5810 Folio 405, including associated car parking and vehicle access areas.	
(c) State Centre of Football	The State Centre of Football located at Matildas Drive, Gepps Cross, being a portion of the land described in Certificate of Title Register Book Volume 6095 Folio 719, including associated car parking and vehicle access areas.	
(d) State Hockey Centre	The State Hockey Centre located at Main North Road, Gepps Cross, being a portion of the land described in Certificate of Title Register Book Volume 5810 Folio 405, including associated car parking and vehicle access areas.	
(e) State Sports Park open space & trails	The State Sports Park open space & trails, being the whole of the land described in Certificates of Title Register Book Volume 5810 Folio 406, Volume 6282 Folio 519 and Volume 6095 Folio 714, and a portion of the land described in Certificates of Title Register Book Volume 5810 Folio 405 and Volume 6095 Folio 717, including associated car parking and vehicle access areas.	
Strathalbyn Racecourse	The whole of the land described in Certificate of Title Register Book Volume 5825 Folio 206.	Strathalbyn Racing Club Incorporated
Thebarton Oval	The whole of the land described in Certificate of Title Register Book Volume 6302 Folio 733, Volume 6302 Folio 731 and Volume 5092 Folio 344.	The City of West Torrens

Name of recreation ground	Description of land	Controlling body
Unley Oval	The whole of the land described in Certificate of Title Register Book Volume 5831 Folio 139.	The City of Unley
Virginia Oval	The whole of the land described in Certificate of Title Register Book Volume 5916 Folio 58.	City of Playford
Whyalla recreation grounds—		The Corporation of the City of Whyalla
(a) Bennett Oval	Crown Record Volume 6155 Folio 267.	
(b) Bradford Street Reserve	Crown Record Volume 5759 Folio 686.	
(c) Centrals Oval	Crown Record Volume 6155 Folio 267.	
(d) Civic Park	Crown Record Volume 5646 Folio 894.	
(e) Jubilee Park	Crown Record Volume 5754 Folio 342.	
(f) Lawn Bowls	Crown Record Volume 5440 Folio 570.	
(g) Magill Park	Crown Record Volume 6299 Folio 183.	
(h) Memorial Oval	Crown Record Volume 5752 Folio 626.	
(i) Ryan Reserve	Crown Record Volume 5752 Folio 734.	
(j) Schultz Reserve	Crown Record Volume 5646 Folio 894.	
(k) Stuart Park	Crown Record Volume 5754 Folio 342.	
(l) Swandel Park	Crown Record Volume 6164 Folio 810.	
(m) Tennis Courts	Crown Record Volume 6321 Folio 598.	
(n) Velodrome	Crown Record Volume 5975 Folio 392.	
(o) Worsnop Park	Crown Record Volume 6166 Folio 850.	
Women's Memorial Playing Fields	The whole of the land described in Certificate of Title Register Book Volume 5247 Folio 595.	Minister for Recreation, Sport and Racing
Womma Park Rugby Oval	The whole of the land described in Certificate of Title Register Book Volume 5752 Folio 702.	City of Playford
Woodville recreation grounds—		City of Charles Sturt
(a) Frank Mitchell Park	The whole of the land described in Certificate of Title Register Book Volume 5690 Folio 340.	
(b) Woodville Oval	The whole of the land described in Certificate of Title Register Book Volume 5218 Folio 142.	

Schedule 2—Repeals and transitional provisions

Part 1—Repeal of *Recreation Grounds Regulations 2011*

1—Repeal of regulations

The *Recreation Grounds Regulations 2011* are repealed.

Part 2—Transitional provisions

2—Transitional provisions

- (1) This clause applies to a controlling body of a recreation ground that—
 - (a) immediately before the commencement of this clause, was listed as the controlling body in relation to the recreation ground under the *Recreation Grounds Regulations 2011*; and
 - (b) on the commencement of this clause, is listed as the controlling body in relation to the recreation ground under these regulations.
- (2) An authorisation of a person as an authorised person in relation to a recreation ground by a controlling body to which this clause applies under paragraph (a) of the definition of **authorised person** in regulation 3(1) of the *Recreation Grounds Regulations 2011* in force immediately before the commencement of this clause continues in accordance with its terms as an authorisation under paragraph (a) of the definition of **authorised person** in regulation 3(1) of these regulations.
- (3) A delegation by a controlling body to which this clause applies under regulation 4 of the *Recreation Grounds Regulations 2011* in force immediately before the commencement of this clause continues in accordance with its terms as a delegation by the controlling body under regulation 4 of these regulations.
- (4) An authorisation by a controlling body to which this clause applies under regulation 7 of the *Recreation Grounds Regulations 2011* in force immediately before the commencement of this clause continues in accordance with its terms as an authorisation by the controlling body under regulation 7 of these regulations.

Legislative history

Notes

- For further information relating to the Act and subordinate legislation made under the Act see the Index of South Australian Statutes or www.legislation.sa.gov.au.

Principal regulations

Year	No	Reference	Commencement
2026	70	<i>Gazette 13.8.2026 p2616</i>	1.9.2026: r 2