

# Rugby League World Cup 2021 Venue Regulations

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# 1. Purpose of the Venue Regulations

- 1.1. The Venue Regulations have been developed by Rugby League World Cup 2021 Limited ("RLWC2021") for the matches ("Matches") of the Rugby League World Cup 2021 ("Events").
- 1.2. These Venue Regulations aim to inform and describe how Spectators shall conduct themselves in a venue as well as their rights and obligations during the Events. These Venue Regulations do not prevail over each venue's own regulations, which may differ in content and will be made available on www.RLWC2021.com/tickets
- 1.3. RLWC2021, the venue owners/operators, as well as their employees, volunteers, representatives, officials and administrators (collectively referred to as "RLWC2021 Authorities") and/or the public authorities in charge of safety, security and public order are responsible for safety, security and public order in venues during Matches.
- 1.4. The following principal terms are used for the purposes of these regulations:
- 1.4.1. "Ticket" means a document issued by RLWC2021 for a Match;
- 1.4.2. "Volunteers" means citizens of England or foreign nationals who take part in organising the Events based on a civil contract without financial compensation:
- 1.4.3. "Individual" means a citizen of England, a foreign national or a stateless person;
- 1.4.4. "Prohibited Items" means items prohibited by the RLWC2021 Authorities from being brought into a venue so as to ensure the security of Matches taking place in the venue, to maintain public order, to ensure a comfortable environment for visitors, and to perform the obligations of the Event Organisers;
- 1.4.5. "Spectator" means an Individual using a Ticket to attend an Event Match;
- 1.4.6. "Storage Lockers" means appropriately equipped locations for storing items that do not pose a threat to human lives or health, and are not banned from circulation by laws of England. The expected duration of storage of personal belongings does not exceed 24 hours from the end of a Match at a venue. Unclaimed personal belongings will be turned over to the municipal lost-and-found office after the storage period expires;
- 1.4.7. "Screening" means a check performed on Individuals, vehicles, items and objects with the aid of equipment upon their entry into the venue security perimeter with a view to providing security for Event participants and Spectators in accordance with the established venue access procedures; This could also include medical screening of spectators including but not limited to measuring body temperature upon arrival at the venue.
- 1.4.8. "Steward" means a person who has completed special training in accordance with the procedure established by the local authorities pertaining to physical education and sports, has a steward certification issued in accordance with the procedure established by the local authorities pertaining to physical education and sports, and is engaged by the Event



Organisers and/or by the owner or user of the venue on a contractual basis to ensure public order and public safety during the Events.

# 2. Notice and Acceptance of the Venue Regulations

- 2.1. Every Spectator agrees and acknowledges that they have read, understood and accepted and agrees to be bound by, and comply with these regulations as well as any other special instructions from the Event Organisers. If considered necessary, the Event Organisers may supplement these regulations by issuing additional instructions aimed at providing security and maintaining public order at the venue, preventing or eliminating threats to human lives or health, and ensuring the safety of their personal belongings.
- 2.2. The Event Organisers reserve the right to modify this document, which will be in compliance with local legislation. Spectators can view the latest version of these regulations at www.RLWC2021.com/tickets.
- 2.3. The Event Organisers will put these regulations up on notice boards next to suitable locations such as ticket offices and/or entrances to venues.

  Graphical images depicting some of the items in the list of Prohibited Items in Section 5 hereof are printed on the reverse side of the Ticket along with the Abridged General Terms and Conditions.

#### 3. Access to the Venue

- 3.1. A Spectator may be granted access to a venue if they presents a Ticket and has successfully passed the search and screening procedures, including an inspection of the Spectator's personal belongings.
- 3.2. Appropriate venue access authorisation operated by RLWC2021 means possession by the Spectator of the following access document: A Ticket for the relevant Match.
- 3.3. Spectators are allowed to enter the venue on the Matchday (minimum of) 1 hour before the start of the Match or at such time as determined by the Event Organisers. Should there be any difference or change in opening/operating hours, these will be communicated to Ticket Holders separately.
- 3.4. There will be a verification of the validity of the Ticket using an electronic access system while the Spectator is entering the security perimeter.
- 3.5. Spectators agree and acknowledge that they have the right to access only those venue zones which are specified on their Tickets or by the Event Organisers.
- 3.6. Disabled people and people with limited mobility will be permitted to enter the venue with a manual or electric wheelchair or mobility scooters.

  Wheelchairs and mobility scooters designed for transportation of people



with limited mobility shall be equipped with three or four wheels. Access to venue seats/sections and facilities may vary in size and shape from venue to venue.

# 4. Conduct by the Spectators

- 4.1. During the Events, Spectators are obliged to:
- 4.1.1. at all times during their stay in the venue, conduct themselves in a manner that does not offend, endanger the safety, or unnecessarily hinder or harass other Spectators and/or accredited persons;
- 4.1.2. occupy only the venue seat specified on their Ticket and proceed to that seat only through the designated entrance, unless otherwise specified by the Event Organisers. For security considerations and to prevent risks, Spectators at the venue may be re-seated (including to a different venue sector) upon instructions from the Event Organisers;
- 4.1.3. pass through search and screening procedures, including an inspection of personal belongings, when entering by foot or arriving at the venue and/or an adjacent territory in a motor vehicle;
- 4.1.4. present access documents to authorised personnel in accordance with these regulations when entering by foot or arriving at the venue and/or an adjacent territory in a motor vehicle;
- 4.1.5. when arriving at the venue and/or an adjacent territory in a motor vehicle, show the control and regulatory authorities the passes for motor vehicles issued by the Event Organisers, and also present the motor vehicle for search and screening procedures;
- 4.1.6. use stairways and emergency exits solely for the intended purpose.

  Spectators shall leave stairways and emergency exits unobstructed at all times. While passing, they shall not stop in order to avoid creating a situation that will prevent other people passing;
- 4.1.7. deposit in Storage Lockers/Bag Drops any large items or other objects prohibited from being brought into the venue hereunder (excluding items that pose a threat to human lives or health or are banned from circulation by laws of England) if available in a specific venue or other location;
- 4.1.8. not disturb public order, and follow recognised rules thereof while at the venue:
- 4.1.9. treat the property of other Spectators and official Event participants, as well the property of the owners (leaseholders) of the venue and persons in charge of law and order during the Events with respect. Spectators shall also treat the sports venue property with care, and not litter;
- 4.1.10. treat other Spectators, the Event Organisers, participants of the Events, owners (leaseholders) and persons in charge of law and order with respect;
- 4.1.11. immediately inform Stewards, representatives of the control and regulatory authorities, and other persons responsible for law and order at the venue about suspicious items, disorderly conduct, smoke or fire, or the necessity to render medical aid to persons present during the Events;



- 4.1.12. comply with lawful requests from the representatives of the Event Organisers, the owners (leaseholders) of the venue, Stewards or other persons in charge of law and order during the Events;
- 4.1.13. upon orders to evacuate the venue, act according to the instructions of the Event Organisers, authorised officials, fire safety regulations and approved evacuation plans, while keeping calm and not causing panic.

#### 5. Prohibited Items

- 5.1. Spectators are not permitted to bring into, possess, hold or use in the venue the following Prohibited Items:
- 5.1.1. explosives, detonators and any items containing them;
- 5.1.2. any weapon, including self-defence, ammunition, or component parts of guns;
- 5.1.3. piercing or bladed items, knives, cold steel weapons and any other objects that may be used as a weapon;
- 5.1.4. compressed and liquefied gases (except pocketsize lighters);
- 5.1.5. flammable and pyrotechnical substances and items regardless of their type and purpose (except for matches and pocketsize lighters), including signal flares, missiles, crackers, gas bottles and items that may be used to make pyrotechnical devices or smoke;
- 5.1.6. combustible solids;
- 5.1.7. oxidising materials and organic peroxides;
- 5.1.8. toxic, radioactive, caustic or corrosive materials;
- 5.1.9. poisonous, noxious or pungent substances;
- 5.1.10. highly flammable and fuel liquids, flammable gases;
- 5.1.11. any colouring matters;
- 5.1.12. devices and articles (including self-made items) other than pyrotechnics, which are used to spray various materials and substances ("firecrackers");
- 5.1.13. other materials, articles, objects (including self-made items) that can be used to generate smoke or flames;
- 5.1.14. materials of an extremist, offensive, or discriminatory nature containing offensive symbols or attributes, or attributes similar to offensive symbols, and/or extremist organisation attributes or aimed at discrimination of any kind against a country, person or group based on race, colour of skin, ethnic, national or social background and wealth, birth or any other status, gender, disability, language, religion, political opinion or any other opinion, sexual orientation or on any other grounds, including but not limited to banners, flags, symbols and paraphernalia, flyers and apparel;
- 5.1.15. musical instruments and wind instruments for producing loud sounds (including vuvuzelas). The only exceptions are horns and pipes; Deciding whether or not a device that generates noise may be brought into the venue is the responsibility of RLWC2021 Authorities tasked with coordinating operations in screening areas during the Event (due to the fact that it is impossible to compile an exhaustive list of such devices). Spectators wanting



- to bring musical instruments and wind instruments will need RLWC2021 Authorities' approval.
- 5.1.16. paper rolls or paper in reams, excluding banners and posters that meet the requirements of this section or as otherwise permitted by the Event Organisers;
- 5.1.17. body protection gear: bullet-proof vests, body protection gear used in martial arts or extreme sports, or corsets (except when prescribed by a doctor):
- 5.1.18. medical drugs: more than 1 pack of more than 7 different medications (in any form (including aerosols, drops, syringes, etc.) in original factory packaging) and medicinal products, excluding medications in quantities prescribed by a doctor, conditional upon presentation of a prescription or a photocopy thereof;
- 5.1.19. narcotic or psychotropic or toxic substances or their precursors, including in the form of medicinal products, excluding medications in quantities of 1
- 5.1.20. work tools;
- 5.1.21. glass containers and bottles;
- 5.1.22. liquids in containers larger than 100ml other than drinking water;
- 5.1.23. thermoses and flasks (excluding parents/guardians of children);
- 5.1.24. food and beverages (including alcoholic beverages, excluding drinking water);
- 5.1.25. mounts for photo and video equipment (with three supports (tripods) or one support (monopod, including "selfie sticks");
- 5.1.26. aerosol cylinders, excluding medications in quantities prescribed by a doctor, conditional upon presentation of a prescription or a photocopy thereof:
- 5.1.27. any animals, other than assistance dogs;
- 5.1.28. folding chairs or benches;
- 5.1.29. Bags larger than  $20cm \times 15cm \times 5cm / 8" \times 6" \times 2"$  (unless it is a RLW2021 retail store carrier bag containing items purchased from an RLWC2021 outlet at the venue);
- 5.1.30. scooters that are not intended for transportation of disabled persons or persons with limited mobility, excluding electric three- or four-wheeled scooters and electric wheelchairs (wheelchairs, electrically powered wheelchairs and scooters; powered wheelchairs and scooters shall not be able to go above a speed limit of 6 mph);
- 5.1.31. sports gear and sports equipment, including bicycles, rollerblades, skateboards and kick scooters;
- 5.1.32. radioelectronic devices and high-frequency devices;
- 5.1.33. flags and banners larger than 2 x 1.5m. Smaller flags and posters are allowed on the condition that they are made from a material categorised as a "low fire hazard", are compliant with all codes and standards, and are not prohibited under any other sections of these regulations; Deciding whether or not a flag/banner may be brought into the venue is the responsibility of RLWC2021 Authorities tasked with coordinating operations in screening



- areas during the Event (due to the fact that it is impossible to compile an exhaustive list of such items). Spectators wanting to bring flags/banners larger than  $2 \times 1.5 \text{m}$  will need RLWC2021 Authorities' approval.
- 5.1.34. poles for flags or posters of any type. It is allowed to use only flexible plastic poles and so-called two-piece poles no longer than 1 metre and no more than 1cm in diameter and made from a material that is not a fire hazard;
- 5.1.35. items with trademarks or other kinds of advertising symbols or information, demonstration of which can be used for commercial purposes;
- 5.1.36. advertising materials of any kind, printed products with religious, political or offensive content, or information that contravenes public order and/or morals (including banners, streamers, posters, signs or their equivalents), excluding religious books for personal use as well as banners no larger than 2 x 1.5m whose content should be aimed at supporting the Rugby League players and should not contain any offensive, obscene or provocative text, words, symbols or images, including those any targeting individuals or groups based on age, colour, ethnic origin, disability (including physical, sensory, cognitive, intellectual, mental illness or some chronic disease), gender identity, gender reassignment, marital or civil partner status, nationality or national origin, political persuasion, pregnancy and maternity, religion or belief, sex, sexual orientation, socio economic background or is otherwise deemed to be discriminatory, offensive, obscene or provocative by RLWC;
- 5.1.37. television and telecommunications equipment;
- 5.1.38. devices used to record, transmit, stream, upload, publish on the internet or otherwise distribute sound, video or photographic images, descriptions, data, Match results or statistics using any method of transmission, including the internet, radio, television, transmission via a computer, mobile phone, auxiliary devices for managing data, or via any media or platforms, other digital technologies, networks for distribution, display or transmission of data and other functionality, including social networks or blog platforms, websites, applications and other similar media devices, as well as any existing or future media technologies (either those currently known or which may be invented or developed in the future) if these actions are done for commercial purposes;
- 5.1.39. equipment that may interfere with holding the Events or create an inconvenience for the participants (laser devices, lights), radio stations, or sound amplification means, excluding universally accepted devices intended for expressing support for Rugby League players;
- 5.1.40. masks, face coverings, helmets or any other means of disguise or items specifically designed for concealing a person's identity, except as otherwise expressly specified by the Event Organisers;
- 5.1.41. umbrellas that are longer than 25 cm when closed; umbrellas allowed cannot be opened inside the venue;
- 5.1.42. moving and gliding aircraft or their models (gliders, drones, kites, etc.);



- 5.1.43. any quantities of powdery materials, excluding medicines in accordance with prescriptions and personal care products;
- 5.1.44. any items that outwardly resemble any Prohibited Items or are copies or equivalents thereof.

#### 6. Prohibited Actions

- 6.1. During the Events, Spectators are prohibited from:
- 6.1.1. violating the venue access control procedures described in section 3 above;
- 6.1.2. penetrating the venue and adjacent areas (utility rooms, VIP zones, media compound), other areas prohibited for entry and not specified on the Spectator's Ticket or any other substituting document, access to which is restricted by the Event Organisers;
- 6.1.3. insulting any other persons (which includes by use of banners, signs and other means of visual propaganda) and carrying out any other activities that humiliate and insult people, their human dignity or business reputation, acting, chanting or using language in any way that is discriminatory or extremist, aimed against a country, person or group based on age, colour, ethnic origin, disability (including physical, sensory, cognitive, intellectual, mental illness or some chronic disease), gender identity, gender reassignment, marital or civil partner status, nationality or national origin, political persuasion, pregnancy and maternity, religion or belief, sex, sexual orientation, socio economic background or is otherwise deemed to be discriminatory, offensive, obscene or provocative by RLWC;
- 6.1.4. standing on seats in the Spectator areas or unreasonably obstructing the view of other Spectators;
- 6.1.5. making actions endangering the life, health and safety of the doer, as well as of any other persons present during the Events or in an adjacent territory;
- 6.1.6. acting in a manner that could detract from the Events;
- 6.1.7. engaging in any activity that could compromise the safety, security or reputation of the Events;
- 6.1.8. smoking in any venue zone, except in dedicated outdoor smoking areas, if in existence;
- 6.1.9. violating the requirements of the fire prevention rules;
- 6.1.10. making inscriptions or drawings on signage, structures, buildings, installations, surfaces on venue premises, posting announcements, posters, stickers or other advertising and/or communications materials, or placing foreign objects in their vicinity without approval from the Event Organisers;
- 6.1.11. attempting to climb onto fences, balustrades, lighting installations, masts, load-bearing structures or trees located on the territory of the venue;
- 6.1.12. disrupting the operation of the venue utilities, including power supply, lighting (including emergency lighting), ventilation, water supply, sewage, air conditioning, and any other systems;
- 6.1.13. creating any hindrances during the Events at staircases and in any zones, without limitation to those which are intended for evacuation, including



- passages, exits and entrances (both main and emergency), or creating any hindrances to vehicle circulation;
- 6.1.14. entering the pitch or the area around the pitch;
- 6.1.15. holding any public actions not outlined in the guidelines of the Events or not in compliance with local legislation;
- 6.1.16. engaging in unauthorised distribution of flyers, booklets and publications, advertising materials and apparel, other types of promotional or propaganda activities, excluding materials whose content is aimed at supporting the Rugby League players and does not contain any offensive, obscene or provocative texts, words, symbols or images, including those aimed at discrimination against a country, person or group based on race, colour of skin, ethnic, national or social background and wealth, birth or any other status, gender, disability, age, language, religion, political or other persuasions, sexual orientation or on any other grounds;
- 6.1.17. starting a fire or launching pyrotechnics, or similar, at the venue and/or an adjacent territory;
- 6.1.18. making actions that could cause crowding in a manner that creates a risk of a stampede or public disturbances;
- 6.1.19. damaging vegetation, plants, cultural or natural heritage sites, or violating requirements established for special areas;
- 6.1.20. engaging in the unauthorised displacement, deliberate damage, arson and/or overturning of waste bins;
- 6.1.21. engaging in unauthorised dismantling, displacement or vandalism or causing other damage to any venue signage and temporary devices used for traffic control and management;
- 6.1.22. demonstrating messages on any signs, signage or tarpaulins without the written consent of the Event Organisers, flags, banners or posters prohibited hereunder, materials of an offensive or discriminatory nature aimed at discrimination of any kind against a country, person or group based on race, colour of skin, ethnic, national or social background and wealth, birth or any other status, gender, disability, age, language, religion, political or other opinion sexual orientation or on any other grounds, including but not limited to banners, flags, symbols and paraphernalia, flyers and apparel;
- 6.1.23. promoting any political or ideological messages;
- 6.1.24. securing flags and banners to surfaces of structures and installations at the venues, except as authorised by the Event Organisers;
- 6.1.25. making actions which disturb public morals and norms of conduct, or publicly displaying intimate body parts while present at the venue during the Events;
- 6.1.26. throwing items into the stands, onto the pitch or into the space around it, in the direction of other Spectators, participants of the Events, security personnel and/or any other persons present at the venue and any adjacent territory;
- 6.1.27. using clothing items, including masks, to conceal the face, with the exception of cases specifically outlined by the Event Organisers, e.g.



- government advice due to ongoing public health issues, as well as using any other means of contrivance aimed at obstructing personal identification;
- 6.1.28. using devices that generate noise and can interfere with the playing or viewing of matches, excluding universally accepted devices intended for expressing support for Rugby League players;
- 6.1.29. bringing in, holding and/or using any other items prohibited hereunder;
- 6.1.30. broadcasting or recording with the use of transmitting devices, including mobile phones or other means with the use of lighting equipment, for gainful purposes. It is allowed to record video for personal non-gainful purposes without the use of lighting equipment, flashes, tripods or monopods;
- 6.1.31. using private wireless access points and 3G/4G/5G routers, including using smartphones and tablets as WI-FI access points;
- 6.1.32. demonstrating discernible brands or trademarks of legal entities or individuals for advertising purposes;
- 6.1.33. selling goods or conducting any type of business on the territory of the venue and/or an adjacent territory;
- 6.1.34. reselling Tickets for Matches and/or any documents entitling their holders to receive Tickets for Matches;
- 6.1.35. soliciting donations in cash or in kind (including but not limited to musicians or singers at the venue entrance or on venue premises, collectors of charitable donations, beggars) without authorisation from the RLWC2021 Authorities;
- 6.1.36. selling items that are categorised as Prohibited Items under these regulations;
- 6.1.37. distributing or consuming narcotic or psychotropic substances, or any new potentially dangerous psychoactive substances or opiates;
- 6.1.38. being in a state of intoxication that is offensive to human dignity and public morals. Consumption of alcohol is only possible according to local legislation in respect to age limits and other restrictions. Underage people shall not be offered alcohol. If alcohol is consumed by Spectators, they are requested to drink in moderation.