

Sport Ireland National Indoor Arena (NIA) Terms & Conditions

The Sport Ireland National Indoor Arena (NIA) consists of several facilities underneath the one roof, including the National Indoor Athletics Training Centre (NIATC), the National Indoor Training Centre (NITC), the National Gymnastics Training Centre (NGTC) and the National Indoor Arena Covered Pitches (NIACP). While there are generic terms and conditions applicable to all bookers, please ensure you are familiar with any specific conditions relating to your booking and in the case of group bookings, that both generic and specific conditions are shared with the group.

The participant hereby agrees to be bound by the policies & procedures of Sport Ireland Facilities DAC as provided/ published. Management reserve the right to refuse admission for any non-compliance.

Booking Terms

1. All bookings will start and end according to designated booking time slot. Bookings are reserved in a minimum of one-hour slots.
2. Your booking time slot includes any setting up/dismantling/removal of equipment requested or utilised for the booking.
3. Unless there is an exclusive booking, the NIA is a shared facility and bookers will need to cooperate with each other for duration of their booking. For any queries or issues, please speak to the Duty Manager.
4. Access to equipment or additional rooms should be requested at the booking stage. Restrictions to equipment use will apply and customers should provide their own equipment where possible.
5. Bookers/Clubs must provide an adequate ratio of coaches to players/participants and coaches must be qualified to use the equipment provided.
6. All coaches must be garda vetted and approved. The onus is on the booker to manage the implementation of all safeguarding requirements.
7. Where relevant, bookers will be required to provide proof of insurance and/or indemnity for the Sport Ireland Campus.
8. Booking slots may be cancelled or moved to facilitate large events. Refunds or rescheduling options will be provided.

General

1. Only coaches, club liaison officers and designated persons may be in the training areas in the NIA with parents/guardians/spectators to remain outside of the facility.
2. No food or beverages, except for bottled water, are permitted in any training area. No hot drinks are permitted past the turnstiles in NIA, within the pitch area (NIACP) or within the NGTC. The use of chewing gum is strictly prohibited in the NIA.
3. The NIA is a high-performance facility and should be treated in such a manner. We pride ourselves on our clean facilities and expect all users to clean up after themselves to maintain these standards.
4. Lockers are available in NIATC and NITC for your convenience to store clothing, coats, equipment etc. during a booking slot and should not be used for overnight/long-term storage. Lockers will be emptied regularly, and any equipment/clothing found will be kept for a period of 2 weeks, after which it will be disposed of.
5. Extra clothing and small kitbags must be stored in the lockers provided if applicable. Staff reserve the right to stop any session to remove any personal items that are left within training areas of the NIA if they present a hazard to athletes training.
6. No cameras or mobile phones in their photographic/video function, are to be used at any time without management permission. Permission must be agreed in advance by management for any other photographic equipment to be used.
7. Management reserves the right to refuse admission or may suspend a club/group/team booking at any time without a refund.
8. Patrons must respect the dress code set out by the NIA, with correct sporting apparel to be worn at all times and strictly no changing in public areas – please use the changing rooms provided.
9. While every precaution is taken to maintain safety standards, all equipment and facilities are used at the participant's risk. Any malfunction of equipment noted should be reported to a member of staff as soon as it is noticed.
10. Parking at the NIA is strictly on a first come first served basis – no reserved parking is available.
11. Bookings & Events at the Sport Ireland Campus must refer to the correct name in any publication/notice, i.e. Sport Ireland Campus, Sport Ireland National Indoor Arena, Sport Ireland National Athletics Centre, Sport Ireland National Training Centre, Sport Ireland National Gymnastics Training Centre or Sport Ireland National Indoor Arena Covered Pitches.

Sport Ireland National Indoor Athletics Training Centre (NIATC) Policies and Rules

1. Entry to the NIATC is permitted at the time of the booking slot. Warm-up on track or surrounding areas is only permitted during the time of the booking slot and once the previous booking has been cleared.
2. If numbers change, we will endeavour to assist, however if there is more than the maximum number of athletes on the track, you may not gain entry.
3. Under-18 athletes should be actively supervised by a coach and free play is not permitted on equipment.
4. Only appropriate indoor footwear will be permissible (i.e. no cross-country spikes or over 4mm allowed). Spikes must not be worn in the changing rooms or general circulation areas of the NIA. Users may wear only runners/trainers or specific spikes/jumping/throwing shoes – no other footwear is permitted on the track.
5. Athletes must always run in an anti-clockwise direction during their warm-up and session. Faster athletes have preference in inside lanes, so if a faster runner or runners come up on the inside lanes and want to pass, they will shout “Track”. On hearing this, move to the outer lanes.
6. Never stand still on the track, especially the inside two lanes. Once you have finished a run, move over to the outside of the track, ensuring it is safe to do so. Do not cross the infield area designated for throwing and/or jumping events.
7. The use of equipment is limited with the onus on the user to comply with sanitising protocols for shared equipment before and after use. Users must not use tape or mark the track surface in any way.

Sport Ireland National Indoor Training Centre (NITC) Policies and Rules

1. There is no entry to the NITC changing area prior to 15 minutes before booking.
2. You are not allowed to access/warm up in halls of NITC until the exact time of your booking and the previous booking has been cleared.
3. All Athletes Under 18 should be actively supervised by a coach and no free play is permitted on apparatus.
4. Patrons must respect the dress code set down by NITC.
5. Strictly no changing in the halls.
6. You will be allocated a changing room by NIA Staff as per requirements. The dressing room must be left as you found it. The dressing room will be available for maximum 15 minutes after your booking has ended.
7. Only appropriate footwear will be permissible.

Sport Ireland National Indoor Arena Covered Pitches (NIACP) Policies and Rules

1. Entry to the NIACP changing area is permitted at the time of the booking slot. Warm-up on the covered pitches is only permitted during the time of the booking slot and once the previous booking has been cleared.
2. Under 18 athletes should be actively supervised by a coach.
3. Large kit bags will not be permitted, all belongings should fit in small back-pack that can be left pitch side.
4. Only moulded and/or screw-in stud boots are permitted as appropriate footwear on the covered pitches. All studs must be fully tightened with no gap between the studs and sole of the boot. In addition, studs must be free from sharp edges having a smooth and undamaged surface. Studs showing any defects are prohibited for use.
5. Boots must be clean and free from mud, soil and stones prior to accessing the covered pitches. It is the responsibility of the booker to check and monitor all footwear used on the surface prior to any person entering or using the pitch to verify compliance with these conditions.
6. Football boots should not be worn in the general circulation areas of the NIA.
7. Please follow the instructions on moving the goal posts which, are provided on each post. Please contact a staff member if your booking requires assistance to move equipment.
8. No spectators are allowed in the covered pitch area.
9. Please note all participants are to enter via the main NIA reception. For fire and health and safety reasons, any individual found opening emergency doors on the pitch may risk have their bookings cancelled on the night and or in future.

Sport Ireland National Gymnastics Training Centre (NGTC) Policies and Rules

1. All clubs booking the NGTC must be affiliated to Gymnastics Ireland.
2. Entry to the NGTC is permitted at the time of the booking slot. Warm-up on apparatus/floor is only permitted during the time of the booking slot and once the previous booking has been cleared.
3. For shared bookings, there will be no more than two clubs at any one-time training in the NGTC.
4. Shared usage bookings at the NGTC are restricted to one club within each individual booking made.
5. All gymnasts and any use of apparatus should be actively supervised by a coach and free play is not permitted.
6. Patrons must respect the dress code set down by the NGTC, with correct sporting apparel to be worn at all times and strictly no changing in the open hall – please use the changing rooms provided.
7. Only appropriate indoor footwear will be permissible (i.e. socks, flip flop, ballet pumps and gymnastics specific shoes) within the NGTC.

Sport Ireland Campus (SIC) Policies and Rules

1. SIC Management reserve the right to amend and add to the Policies and Rules and the Users/Members shall observe any amended or additional conditions or rules.
2. SIC staff are entitled to dignity, respect and cooperation in the workplace and will not tolerate any form of aggressive or abusive behaviour.
3. Continued violation of any rules set down by SIC may result in booking/event being refused or stopped.
4. The SIC adheres to Equal Status Act 2000 – 2015.
5. In the case of vandalism, inappropriate use of the facilities, or disruption to users' enjoyment, membership/usage may be revoked, or you may be charged, at the discretion of the SIC Management.
6. Members/users, patrons and their guests must always treat the facilities, its staff and other members with courtesy and respect. Membership and/or usage may be terminated or revoked for violation of any rules or regulations of the Company or for conduct deemed by the management to be detrimental to the welfare, good order, safety or character of the SIC or its members.
7. SIC staff reserve the right to withdraw all or any part of the facilities for any periods where required for events, competitions/training, or in connection with repairs, alteration, maintenance work or other.
8. All displays exhibits and decoration must conform to all fire regulations and should be free standing without attachments to walls, ceilings and floors. Defacing or the taping of materials to surfaces within the Campus grounds or its buildings is prohibited, and any damages will be charged to the client accordingly. This includes the mounting of materials by the means of adhesive tape, blue tack and drawing pins to the doors, walls and windows of any facility within the Campus.
9. Liability for damages to the premises will be charged to the client accordingly. The broker of any event/booking is held responsible for any damages to the premises by a contractor acting on its behalf.
10. The SIC has a no smoking/no vaping policy on campus and in all facilities, apart from designated areas. Additionally, alcohol is not permitted on the grounds of the SIC.
11. Sport Ireland Campus facilities cannot be sub-let.
12. Users agree that the SIC is not liable for articles damaged, lost or stolen in or about the SIC, or in its lockers, or for loss or damage to any property including but not limited to automobiles and the contents thereof.
13. Personal details requested during the booking process are used for administration purposes only. Personal data is not disclosed to any third party without consent. The SIC's Privacy Policy clarifies usage, processing and protection of personal information in line with the EU's General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR). More information on this Policy is available to read here; www.sportirelandcampus.ie/privacypolicy.
14. Activities taking place within the SIC are, by definition, physical sports/activities with inherent contact and risk. Consequently, the SIC cannot be held responsible for any injury, loss or damage as a result of involvement with sports/activities/training etc.
15. The SIC shall not accept any responsibility for any loss, injury or damage to person caused by or arising from directly or indirectly, the negligence, wilful act or default, breach of duty, breach of statutory duty, or breach of contract, of the company, servants or its agents, on or in the approaches of or in the approaches of or to its property. All persons coming onto these premises must take care for their own safety and that of other persons (guests) with them for

whom they are responsible or over whom they exercise authority and must supervise and control such persons accordingly.