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Purpose of Document	Details the policy and procedures for how KRSP handles complaints, which come from sources external to the organisation - i.e. public, participants and anyone else who engages with the KRSP. To ensure that all complaints are handled fairly, consistently and wherever possible resolved to the complainant's satisfaction.
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KRSP Complaints Policy

Kilkenny Recreation & Sports Partnership (KRSP) is committed to delivering a high-quality service in an open and transparent manner, with courtesy and sensitivity. While KRSP works hard to achieve this, we are aware that sometimes others may feel that they did not receive as good a service as expected.

KRSP welcomes and values complaints, as these will allow us to review and improve our services.

The following sets out the KRSP's procedures for dealing with complaints.

Complaints

What does the complaints procedure cover?

If you are not satisfied or are not happy with a decision that we have made, you should let us know and we will deal with the matter promptly, impartially and in confidence. The complaints procedure covers complaints about issues such as delays, mistakes and poor service provided by KRSP.

The complaints procedure does not cover any of the following:

- i. Matters of policy
- ii. Matters that are the subject of litigation
- iii. Staff discipline is dealt with under KRSP's Disciplinary Procedures

How do I make a complaint?

In the first instance, the complaint should be brought to the attention of the staff concerned or responsible for the programme. The staff will try to resolve the matter without delay. In most cases, any disputes, misunderstandings and mistakes can be resolved in this way.

If the matter cannot be resolved by our staff, or you are not happy with their response, you can refer the complaint to the CEO (or in the case where the complaint concerns the CEO, please refer the complaint to the Chairperson of the Board of Directors of KRSP) who will re-examine your complaint and advise you of the outcome.

To make a complaint, complete the form in **Appendix 1**, and send to KRSP, 5 Dean Street, R95 HD79, Kilkenny or e-mail to nicola@krsp.ie. The form is also available to download on our website www.krsp.ie. Please mark all correspondence 'Private and Confidential'.

The following information must be provided:

- i. Contact details: name, e-mail and telephone number
- ii. The date that the complaint occurred
- iii. The name of the KRSP staff member that dealt with you
- iv. The event, if applicable, at which the incident occurred
- v. The complaint: details of what it is you are dissatisfied with
- vi. Supporting documentation: forward copies of any relevant documentation/correspondence you may have



All complaints will be acknowledged within 5 working days of receipt.

A decision will normally be issued within 20 working days of referral of a complaint. In a limited number of cases, a longer period may be required. If this occurs in your case, we will advise you and keep you updated.

In the event that you are still unhappy with the response, the issue will be referred to the KRSP Chairperson (Board) who will organise a review. It will normally be completed within 15 working days of receipt of the appeal. Should a longer period be required, we will advise you and keep you updated.

Principles and Guidelines

- Your complaint will be treated properly, fairly and impartially
- All persons involved will be treated with dignity and courtesy; Individuality and diversity will be respected
- Making a complaint will have no implications for your dealings with KRSP
- Confidentiality will be maintained unless the matter is forwarded to the Garda, in which case full details may be requested by them

Annual Reporting to the KRSP Board

All complaints, comments and compliments will be reported to the KRSP Board on an annual basis. This reporting will include a timeline of dates from when the complaint, comment or compliment was received, responded to and resolved, staff member(s) involved, nature of the complaint, decision reached and the appeals process, if applicable. All complaints, comments and compliments will be anonymised.

Contact details for complaints, comments and compliments: Please mark all correspondence 'Private and Confidential'.

CEO	Chairperson
Nicola Keeshan	Anthony Reynolds
Kilkenny Recreation & Sports Partnership	Kilkenny Recreation & Sports Partnership
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Appendix 1

KRSP Complaints Form

Name:	
Contact Number:	
Email Address:	
Your complaint details:	
Details	Response
Date that complaint occurred	
Name of KRSP staff the issue was raised with	

Nature/Details of complaint

at

Event

occurred

Please give a full description of the nature and details of the complaint.

which

Any supporting documentation

List any supporting documentation here and attach copies to letter/e-mail sent.

Submitting your complaint: Please mark 'Private and Confidential'

complaint

Post to: KRSP, 5 Dean Street, R95 HD79, Kilkenny

E-mail to: nicola@krsp.ie