

Guidelines:

Health requirements for

Health Clubs

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1. Purpose

- To ensure commitment of all Health Clubs to the public health requirement set forth by PCFC-EHS.
- To ensure the implementation of an 'Unified Health Requirements Program', in all Health Clubs in the jurisdiction of PCFC Ports, Customs & Free zone Corporation, Dubai.

2. Scope

The Health requirements are applicable in all shops and centres that are performing any type of sports activities like Body building, Gym/Fitness centre, Karate, Yoga, Swimming, Aerobic exercise, Aqua Aerobics etc. operating in the area of Jurisdiction of PCFC (Ports, Customs & Free zone Corporation), Dubai

3. Details of Implementation

3.1 Documents:

- 3.1.1 A valid professional trade license issued from Trakhees Licensing Division/JAFZA should be available and the company name/trade name/operating name/licensee should reflect the service provided by the center.
- 3.1.2 Updated Official staff list.
- 3.1.3 EHS file (hard/soft copy) with all the required documents should be available for verification during inspection.
- 3.1.4 Only those activities mentioned in the license are allowed to be performed within the facility.
- 3.1.5 The facility should be approved by Trakhees Dept. (CED). Modification Completion Certificate (MCC) / Activity Verification Certificate (NOC AV) should be obtained from Trakhees CED and EHS respectively and shall be available in the facility.

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3.2 Staff:

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- 3.2.1 Assigned instructor/tutor must obtain valid Occupational Health Certificate issued from DHA.
- 3.2.2 Gym instructors must wear sports uniform.
- 3.2.3 Personal hygiene of the staff should be maintained.

3.3 **Specific requirements:**

- 3.3.1 Sufficient area must be provided considering the extent of operation in terms of equipment / furniture setup and occupancy.
- 3.3.2 Not allowed to perform any medical, physical or rehabilitation treatments for medical conditions.
- 3.3.3 Accommodation and Cooking or preparation of food is not allowed.
- 3.3.4 Avoid disturbing neighbor by creating noise during the sports activities.
- 3.3.5 Description of any diet for reducing weight should be done by qualified Nutritionist only.
- 3.3.6 Trading of Nutritional Supplements from the center not allowed without approval/permission from relevant authority. Product registration copy of the same from Dubai Municipality - Health & Safety Department - Registration & Permit Section must be available during inspection.

3.4 The Centre/Facility should provide the following:

- 3.4.1 Foot operated, covered waste bin with liner for waste collection.
- 3.4.2 Commitment towards general cleaning throughout the premises. The facility should implement effective cleaning and disinfection in all areas to ensure hygiene within the

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- facility. Daily cleaning checklist for the entire premises should be provided. Detergents and disinfectants must be stored separately.
- 3.4.3 No smoking sign should be displayed in the entrance.
- 3.4.4 Emergency contact number must be displayed conspicuously in case of emergency.
- 3.4.5 Plastic laundry basket for collection of used towels, if towels are provided by the center.
- 3.4.6. Contract with a laundry for washing the linen/towels/uniform etc. used in the facility.

 Laundry bills for the same should be preserved/ filed in the facility.
- 3.4.7 First Aid Box must be provided and should be replenished regularly with appropriate supplies.
- 3.4.8 Sufficient number of lockers/ cabinets shall be provided for the customers belongings.
- 3.5.9 Facility shall have steady supply of potable water. Clean and pure drinking water coolers must be provided. Coolers must be kept clean and filters must be changed when necessary.

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