



Field Maintenance - Following a Major Weather Event

The QRL has reached out to our field maintenance partners [Greenway Turf Solutions](#) who have provided the following advice to get your fields back up and running as soon as possible.

Before undertaking any works on your fields, please take into consideration the venue's field maintenance plan and engage in consultation with Local Council or the Land Owner.

If fields have been inundated with salty or brackish water, it is imperative that the level of impact is assessed to understand the effect this event has had on the soil and the turf before moving forward with any restoration program.

The following steps will be required to ensure the best start possible to the season:

1. Soil testing (turf specific) to determine the level of sodium and the intensity of the sodium offset program required
2. Implement sodium offset program

If fields have been left with silt on top, please let the surface dry before putting machinery onto them. Do not allow skid steer loaders (e.g., bobcats) onto the fields.

Turf specialists should be engaged to remove the silt without damage to the turf and without compacting the soil further.

The following are some basic guidelines to using the fields in wet weather for play and training, again noting that Local Council will generally be advising on the use of fields which clubs are required to follow.

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Level 1: Fields dry	All areas open, can use boots and high intensity training techniques
Level 2: Fields have received 5-10mm rain	Centre kick off areas and goal mouths are off limits – Can wear boots, no high intensity training
Level 3: Fields have received 15-35mm rain	Same as level 2 – No studded football boots
Level 4: Fields have received more than 50mm rain	Same as level 2 & 3 must wear no studded football boots and limit running to long movements, no high intensity activities
Level 5: Fields have received excessive rainfall	All areas closed

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