



PNZ, as a Sport New Zealand-recognised organisation, endorses the underlying principles of the Sport NZ “No Exceptions Strategy”:

- All New Zealanders have a right to access recreation and sport opportunities.
- Individuals and organisations need to work together in partnership.

Legislation such as the Bill of Rights Act 1990, the Human Rights Act 1993, and the Privacy Act 1993 articulates the rights of disabled people, and PNZ will uphold these rights as required by law.

Under the Human Rights Act, people cannot be excluded from participating in sporting events on the grounds of disability, unless there is a risk of harm to the person or to others. However, the Act

- Does not prohibit imposing conditions on participation, and
- Does not apply to the provision of services or facilities to members of a club, except those that discriminate against members of other clubs.

Clubs cannot exclude people from participation because of disability, but they are not required to positively enable their participation i.e. provide special facilities/services.