

Protecht Engaged To Develop New Risk Management Technology For The NRL

Press Release: Protecht's sophisticated and highly evolved software will help the NRL identify and manage Rugby League's unique risk profile.



The National Rugby League runs the world's premier Rugby League competition comprising of 16 teams (15 from Australia and one from New Zealand). This includes the Telstra Premiership, Holden Women's Premiership, the Australian Kangaroos (male) and Jillaroos (female) representative teams, the annual three-match Holden State of Origin series, Women's State of Origin and Finals Series among other major events and competitions.



The Protecht Group is a leader in Enterprise Risk Solutions and at the forefront of risk management innovation and provides a variety of training, advisory and software services. Protecht.ERM™, its flagship product, has been deployed in a SaaS model since development commenced in 2002 and remains ahead of the curve on innovation and functionality. Used by government agencies, regulators, financial services, entertainment and retail companies of all sizes and risk maturity, Protecht.ERM™ allows organisations to seamlessly integrate risk management into their day to day activities.

Protecht, a global risk management solutions provider, has been engaged by the National Rugby League (NRL) to introduce innovative software to help manage its risk and protect the future of its iconic game.

The Protecht software, known as Protecht.ERM and branded as SHIELD within the NRL, accommodates the NRL's existing risk assessment methodology whilst also enabling it to link back to a 'central risk and control library'. The software also allows risks to be assessed across multiple departments within the NRL and then aggregated through comprehensive reports and dashboards.

"Risk management is a critical component of decision making for all companies and particularly so for high profile organisations such as the NRL," said David Bergmark, CEO and co-founder of Protecht.

"We are proud to work with the NRL which has taken important steps to intensify its risk management focus and discipline. By working in close partnership we have built and streamlined the NRL's risk assessment processes to take it to a whole new level."

The strength of the software has assisted the NRL to examine its enterprise risk and referred to as all of game risk in a more comprehensive approach that considers all aspects of the business.

The partnership with Protecht has enabled the NRL to identify, assess and mitigate risk in a more structured and practical manner, but importantly, allowed the executive team to track progress and assess the impact of controls.

"Protecht has given us a system that allows us to quantify risk across the full spectrum of the game," said Luke Sullivan, National Rugby League's Work, Health and Safety Manager. "It makes risk measurable and provides us with a clear net risk position."

The NRL also says Protecht has helped it better understand and quantify its strategic risk particularly related to the game's growth from grassroots to Telstra Premiership.