



# Westpac Stadium

New Zealand's premier multi-purpose stadium  
Wellington (New Zealand)

Westpac Stadium in Wellington / NZL, is a major sporting venue owned and operated by the Wellington Regional Stadium Trust. Due to its shape and silver colored external walls, it is colloquially known as 'The Cake-Tin' to New Zealanders. Fans of the soccer team Wellington Phoenix sometimes refer to the stadium as 'The Ring of Fire'.

The stadium was built in 1999 and is situated close to major transport facilities (such as Wellington Railway Station and Wellington Harbor) one kilometer north of the CBD. The stadium seats 36,000 spectators and was built to provide a larger-capacity venue for One Day International Cricket events, Rugby and Soccer games, as well as major Exhibitions and Concerts.



## Client

Wellington Regional Stadium Trust (WRST)

## Task

Provision of a state-of-the-art access control management system.

## Solution

<b>Ticketing system</b>	Ticketek
<b>SKIDATA system</b>	handshake.logic
<b>Ticket reader</b>	40x Vario.Gate (incl. RFID)
<b>Turnstiles</b>	39x SKIDATA turnstiles 1x Swingdoor
<b>Handhelds</b>	8x Motorola MC55A0 (incl. RFID)
<b>Data carrier</b>	Barcode tickets RFID cards

## Reliable and Secure Access Management

Westpac Stadium's intention was to replace the 12-year old turnstile solution with a state-of-the-art access control management system. Owing one of the most prominent venues in New Zealand, it has been important to have a proven and reliable solution, but also one that seamlessly integrates into the overall well-designed venue environment and works with the stadiums existing ticketing provider.

SKIDATA has been selected to supply its Handshake.Logic software in combination with SKIDATA's turnstiles and handheld units. Operational performance is important to WRST, that's where SKIDATA's software features show their strengths. 'Pre-Event Ticket Check' and the central control 'Monitor' take event operations planning to the next level. Important to WRST's decision was the additional long-term flexibility that Handshake.Logic provides, by supporting future technologies and multiple ticketing systems.

A strong brand and marketing is key, and WRST utilises the full color QVGA display of the SKIDATA Vario.Gate to display the stadium and event's custom greeting right at the entry gates.

## Special Features

- Multiple Events and Layouts**  
 Different kinds of events like Cricket, Rugby, Exhibitions and Concerts – Handshake.Logic supports multiple layouts per mouse-click or by schedule.
- Rough Environment**  
 Harsh weather conditions combined with the proximity of seawater and railway – SKIDATA's hardware is designed for extreme conditions and uses high-grade steel components manufactured to ISO 9001 quality control.
- Graphic display**  
 Additional sponsorship value or branding the gates according to the event – SKIDATA gates offer the stadium the flexibility to choose.