

Hemsworth Dragons ARLFC



Policy: Procedure for reporting serious injuries

In the case of a player suffering death or serious injury, such as those listed below, at a match or training session the following process should be followed:

- Broken neck or spine
- Heart attack
- Stroke
- Incident in which the Player stops breathing
- Incident in which the Player loses consciousness for more than 5 minutes
- Head injuries leading to surgery or a stay of more than 48 hours in hospital
- Any other injury which is life threatening
- Any potentially career ending injury
- Death

1. If a player suffers any of the above then the **'Serious Injury Report Form'** will need completing as soon as the injury occurs or as soon as possible following the injury.

2. The referee, if it is a match, or a club official, any other time, should contact one of the RFL Officials listed below and inform the club's child welfare officer, who will liaise with the RFL. This should be within the two hour period immediately after the incident or as soon as possible after the extent of the injury becomes known:

- David Lowe: 07717 218818
- David Butler: 07595 520174
- Kelly Barrett: 07739 819750
- Emma Rosewarne: 07850 483736

3. When contacting the named RFL officials you must have all the information detailed on the form to pass on.

4. The following information should be provided to the RFL Official:

- Name of the player
- Age
- Nature of injury
- Cause of injury if apparent
- Venue where injury occurred
- Contact details for player's family if available
- Name of player's club
- Club contact details
- Hospital to which the player has been taken if known
- Any other relevant information

5. The RFL Official will:

- Inform the RFL Serious Injuries Officer, Steve Ball who will make contact with the player's family to see if there is any immediate support the RFL can offer
- Inform the rest of the group that the injury has occurred
- Handle enquiries from the media
- Deal with any requests for immediate assistance for the player's family
- Inform the RFL Insurance brokers on the first working day after the incident

6. If any other injury occurs the **'Accident Report Form'** needs completing and sending to the Community Game Services, RFL.

Both forms can be found on our website or within the first aid bag.

EMERGENCY ACTION PLAN

Emergency Telephone Number: 112 / 999
Club Address: Moxon Fields, Lowfield Road, Hemsworth, West Yorkshire
Post Code: WF9 4JT

Club First-Aider Information

Name	Contact Number
Jason Alcorn	0787 347 4073
Dave Williams	0797 560 0011
Amanda Machen	0756 585 6700
Phil Inman	0784 037 6844
Lindsay Horobin	0742 862 7041
Chris Jackson	0795 579 7988

First Aid Equipment & Facilities

Item	Location
First Aid Bag:	Pitch side or where the team trains/plays
Defibrillator:	Pitch side / club house bar
Stretcher:	Orange stretcher in first aid room
First Aid Room:	Located across from 1 st team changing room

Access Routes

- 1. For Ambulance:** Ambulance can access the ground through the main gates. When facilities in use to ensure that ambulance can get access across bridge and into ground and able to access pitch side or side of club house for first aid room access.
- 2. First aid Room to Ambulance:** Access to side of building for ambulance crews or for transfer of player to the ambulance via side door.
- 3. Pitch to Ambulance:** Ambulance able to gain access to pitch through double gates. To ensure when facilities are in use that keys to unlock gates are easily accessible and that route clear for ambulance to access.

Other Information

Nearest Hospital: Pontefract Hospital, Friarwood Lane, Pontefract, West Yorkshire, WF8 1PL
Tel: 0844 8118110