



Wanneroo Basketball Association Inc.

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First Aid Policy

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FIRST AID POLICY

OVERVIEW

The Games Manager to strictly adhere to this policy and will provide this document to any member that seeks medical attention from an incident that occurs during any competition held under the jurisdiction of the Wanneroo Basketball Association including; the Junior Domestic Competition, Senior Domestic Competition or WABL matches.

POLICY POSITION

The Wanneroo Basketball Association and Basketball Western Australia By-Laws provide appropriate guidance on how incidents that arise during games are to be dealt with.

1. Incidents/Injuries:

- 1.1. An incident may occur before, during or after a fixtured activity, within the confines of the Stadium or its surrounds, or elsewhere if directly related to the fixtured activity.
- 1.2. Games Managers are the primary point of contact for all injuries, however, if the injury appears to be serious, the relevant facility provider's agent/representative (i.e. for HBF Arena - the Venues West Operations Duty Supervisor) is to be called immediately.
- 1.3. Games Managers are not to make any form of diagnosis and their role is to ensure there is no further risk to the injured player and/or any other players and spectators.

2. Non-Head Related Injuries:

- 2.1. For ALL NON-HEAD RELATED INJURIES, the Games Manager is to apply basic first aid (RICER) and to recommend further treatment by trained medical service providers.
- 2.2. Any decision on whether further treatment is required by a player is up to their discretion.
- 2.3. The Games Manager is to complete the appropriate Injury Report Form in detail, provide a copy of the report to the injured party and submit to the Competition Coordinator at the earliest opportunity.

3. Head Related Injuries:

- 3.1 If a player incurs a head injury during a game or training session, and shows any concussion like symptoms (as per the AIS approved Concussion Recognition Tool attached) or loses consciousness, then:

The player is NOT to be allowed to return to play.

- 3.1.1 For WBA CONTROLLED VENUES - An ambulance is to be called immediately. This will still be at the cost of the individual but is covered as per BWA / BA insurance policy. Whether the player or their parents agree to the assistance once called is up to them, but medical providers will be called upon to make an initial assessment;
- 3.1.2 For NON-WBA CONTROLLED VENUES – The Relevant Facility Duty Supervisor is to be called immediately and a joint decision made as to whether an ambulance be called. This will still be at the cost of the individual but is covered as per BWA / BA insurance policy. Whether the player or their parents agree to the assistance once called is up to them, but medical providers will be called upon to make an initial assessment.
- 3.1.3 Should a player suffer a head injury, but show NO signs of concussion, GMs are to advise player and / or parents to seek medical attention anyway.
- 3.1.4 ALL PLAYERS (and / or their parents) must seek medical clearance from a medical professional before returning to play.

Note: The Policy of the WBA Board is to ensure that in the event of a serious incident, all members receive appropriate medical attention provided by expert service providers as soon as possible.

The WBA will accept no responsibility for any player that forgoes or disregards any medical advice and suffers further illness or injury as a result of a previous incident, whether or not this injury/illness occurred during participation in WBA sanctioned events, programs or competitions

4. Non-Head Related Injuries:

- 4.1. Subsequent to any injury occurring in a WBA sanctioned event, the Games Manager is to complete a detailed report of the incident and to provide a copy to the relevant party/s.
- 4.2. If required, the Member will also be directed to the Basketball WA website to complete the insurance claim procedure as necessary.

All members are strongly encouraged to read and understand the Basketball WA insurance provider's Product Disclosure Statement and to seek suitable private health coverage to reduce the risk of loss should an injury occur.

Should you have any questions, please discuss these with the Games Manager.