

MATCH DAY HEAD INJURY

ASSESSMENT & REFERRAL FORM



SIDELINE FORM (to be completed by the examiner (first aider/trainer) on the day of the suspected concussion)

PLAYER NAME	CLUB
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DETAILS OF INCIDENT

DATE

OCCURRED AT: **MATCH** **TRAINING** **OTHER**

BRIEF DESCRIPTION

1 IDENTIFICATION OF RED FLAGS (tick all those that apply)

Loss of consciousness	<input type="checkbox"/>
Seizure or convulsions	<input type="checkbox"/>
Deterioration of conscious state	<input type="checkbox"/>
Persistent or increasing vomiting	<input type="checkbox"/>
Double vision	<input type="checkbox"/>
Severe or increasing headache	<input type="checkbox"/>
Increasing restlessness, agitation, or combative behaviour	<input type="checkbox"/>
Neck pain	<input type="checkbox"/>
Weakness or tingling/burning in the arms or legs	<input type="checkbox"/>

ACTION: If any one of the boxes above is ticked, an ambulance should be called for immediate transportation to hospital.

2 FEATURES OF A SUSPECTED CONCUSSION (tick all those that apply)

Loss of responsiveness	<input type="checkbox"/>
Motor incoordination (losing balance, staggering, etc)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Confused/disorientation (not aware of plays or events)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Impaired memory (unable to recall events before or after the injury)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Looking/feeling dazed, blank or vacant	<input type="checkbox"/>
Player reporting symptoms:	
a. 'don't feel right'	<input type="checkbox"/>
b. more emotional than usual - sad, nervous or anxious	<input type="checkbox"/>
c. 'feel slowed down', confused or 'feel like in a fog'	<input type="checkbox"/>
d. Sensitivity to light or noise	<input type="checkbox"/>
The player is not their normal self, or there is any other concern that they are not quite right	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other (please list):	

ACTION: for any suspected concussion, the player needs to see a doctor as soon as practical for assessment, including confirmation of the diagnosis. The player must not return to play or full contact training until they have been cleared by a doctor.

EXAMINER NAME	ROLE AT CLUB
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EXAMINER SIGNATURE	DATE
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PLAYER FORM (to be completed on the day of the suspected concussion)

PLAYER NAME

CLUB

AGE

How many concussions have you had in the past?

When was the most recent concussion?

How long was the recovery (time to being cleared to play) for the most recent concussion?
(approximate number of weeks)

SCORE YOURSELF ON THE FOLLOWING SYMPTOMS, BASED ON HOW YOU FEEL RIGHT NOW.

	NONE	1	MILD	2	3	MODERATE	4	5	SEVERE	6
Headache										
"Pressure in head"										
Neck Pain										
Nausea or vomiting										
Dizziness										
Blurred vision										
Balance problems										
Sensitivity to light										
Sensitivity to noise										
Feeling slowed down										
Feeling like "in a fog"										
"Don't feel right"										
Difficulty concentrating										
Difficulty remembering										
Fatigue or low energy										
Confusion										
Drowsiness										
Trouble falling asleep										
More emotional										
Irritability										
Sadness										
Nervous or Anxious										

PLAYER SIGNATURE

DATE

(Please take a copy of both the sideline and player form with you to your visit to the doctor)