

## HEAD TRAUMA PLAYER SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS TO CLUBS

The Management Committee of QSDCA has further discussed the matter of Head Trauma that can occur in a cricket match played by players under the name of your club .

As always, the key issue in a match is the safety of all players. There are many player safety policies such as the " lightning " occurring during a match policy which relate to safety.

The **COMMUNITY CRICKET CONCUSSION & HEAD TRAUMA GUIDELINES** (showing as APPENDIX D in QSDCA Playing Regulations, available at the QSDCA website) now applies to all participants in matches played in this association. Its purpose is to assist all players, club officials and umpires.

Should a player receive a " blow " to the head during a match, whether from a cricket ball or any other source, the **COMMUNITY CRICKET CONCUSSION & HEAD TRAUMA GUIDELINES** — APPENDIX D are to be followed. The Captain, Vice Captain or Senior player in the team of the injured player is to take charge and ensure that the Head Trauma Policy is followed. Should the match have an official Umpire in attendance, he will refer Captains and players to the **HEAD TRAUMA GUIDELINES** but can not and will not be responsible for any decision on whether the injured player is fit to continue playing in the match.

Any decision on whether that injured player continues to take part in the match will be made by his Captain, Vice Captain or Senior player but not by the injured player or the Umpire. Irrespective of any such decision, the official Umpire will record the matter fully in his notebook, including whether the player took any further part in the match.

In accord with section 8 of the **HEAD TRAUMA GUIDELINES** all cases of concussion or suspected concussion and all other head traumas will be documented on a QSDCA injury report form. This includes all matches including those where no official umpire is in attendance. The injury report form is downloadable at the QSDCA Website.

The Management Committee of QSDCA instructs that all clubs ensure that their players and officials read and become familiar with the **COMMUNITY CRICKET CONCUSSION & HEAD TRAUMA GUIDELINES** — APPENDIX D. This must be done prior to the commencement of the 2018/19 cricket season. (i.e. 15 Sep 2018)

Club secretaries please acknowledge you have received these instructions by signing this page below and returning a copy to [secretary@qsdca.com.au](mailto:secretary@qsdca.com.au)

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