

Risk Analysis of a Squash Game

Activity/Situation: Playing a Game of Squash


Tournament.....

Tournament referee.....

Risks Accident, injury other forms loss	The following injuries can occur from incorrect technique (e.g. back swing, losing control of racquet), poor discipline or through general play: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Soft tissue injuries – sprains, strains, haematomas • Lacerations • Fractures • Concussion • Eye injuries • Dehydration 		
Causal Factors Hazards, perils, dangers	People	Equipment	Environment
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lack of fitness for game • Lack of skill for the level of competition • Lack of knowledge for the laws/rules of the game • Poor discipline • Threatening behaviour from participants i.e. players, coaches 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Racket • Ball 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Court • Poor floor conditions • Ambient conditions

Risk Management Strategies	Normal Operation		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Check for any dangerous items of clothing e.g. jewellery • Confirm all junior players have eye guards. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Check the court is in playable condition <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - look for wet/slippery patches - “mechanical “ influences e.g. lighting, physical impediments
	Emergency	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Establish whether a first aid kit is immediately accessible in case of injury; emergency response - The referee is empowered to call off the game if required in event of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Abusive coaches - Threatening behaviour from players - Unruly and threatening spectators - Continuous dangerous play - Awareness of appropriate measures to implement in case of serious/life threatening injury 		
Relevant Industry Standards Applicable		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Health and Safety in Employment Act 2015 - Health Safety At Work Act 2015 		
Policies and Guidelines Recommended		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Squash New Zealand and WSF provides guidelines appropriate for all levels of the game - All referees and Players are recommended to carry out a basic risk management check prior to the game being played. - Junior and Doubles tournament it is compulsory to wear eye protection 		
Skills Required by Staff		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Referees should have knowledge of the rules of the game appropriate to the level at which they are refereeing - Players are to be aware of their responsibilities - Effective refereeing requires basic skills in the following areas – decision making, concentration, communication, control and organisation 		

Approved By:-

Squash Director: 

National Director of Referees:.....

The purpose of this document is to recognise the risk of playing squash and how to identify and mitigate the hazards involved.

Club: _____

Tournament: _____

By signing the below referees attending pre-tournament meeting or officiating in this event are aware of the Risk Analysis and Management System in Place.

Referees have also made themselves aware of the Health and Safety Policy the club has in place and agree to follow this policy whilst onsite.

Appointed referees:-

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2/.....

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