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1. OBLIGATIONS CONCERNING INJURIES

- (a) Players must report all injuries or illnesses to the head trainer or other designated official immediately the injury or illness becomes apparent;
- (b) The head trainer in conjunction with the Club's medical officers and the Club fitness coordinator will arrange for the necessary treatments or rehabilitation programs;
- (c) Failure to report any injury or illness may result in the Club not accepting responsibility for such injury or illness;
- (d) Following injury all players will receive instruction with regard to immediate treatment of that injury. The player will be required to follow those instructions. Any failure to do so may jeopardize the player's recovery and may result in him being wholly or partially responsible for the payment of any medical costs associated with any injury;
- (e) No player shall seek any medical treatment of any nature whatsoever including physiotherapy without the consent in writing of the Club doctor or head trainer first being obtained. Any failure to comply with this requirement shall result in the player being fully responsible for any costs associated with treatment that has not been consented to;
- (f) All players must supply their own mouth guard and these must be worn at all times during games and training sessions. Any failure to comply with this requirement shall result in the player being fully responsible for any costs associated for any treatment as a result of injury sustained.

2. OBLIGATIONS CONCERNING MEDICAL BENEFITS

- (a) In addition to basic Medicare players will be required to join and maintain a membership of a Medical and Hospital Benefit Fund on the highest table of the fund including all ancillary benefits including hospital dental optical and physiotherapy benefits;
- (b) Players will be required to provide the Club with details of their membership of a Medical and Hospital Fund such membership to be continued for the whole of the season;
- (c) Failure to take out or continue membership in a Medical and Hospital Benefits Fund will result in the player being fully responsible for any costs incurred as a result of any injury and may result in him being suspended from training and playing until such time as full membership has been taken out or renewed;
- (d) It is a responsibility of the player to lodge all his own medical benefits claims and forward the appropriate payment to the relevant person or authority.
- (e) The Club may meet a proportion of the cost of treatment between the highest benefit payable and the actual cost of treatment. Each claim will be considered on its merits and any reimbursement determined by the committee of management

3 TEAM PLAYER INSURANCE

- (a) All players registered with the Club will be insured with the Tasmanian State League Insurance Plan as applicable at the particular time;
- (b) Players may be required to contribute to the cost of the Insurance Plan, at a rate which will be determined each year by the Board of Management, and contributions will be deducted from gross match payments;
- (c) If any injury is sustained whilst playing, training, or travelling to and from training and matches whilst representing the Club, which is likely to result in the loss of time from a player's employment, the circumstances must be communicated to the Football or CEO within two (2) days of sustaining injury;
- (d) Failure to report injuries within that time may invalidate a claim for support from the Club