

## Malpas & District JFC – Club Risk Assessment for Season 2017-18

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<b>Hazard</b>	<b>Who might be harmed?</b>	<b>Risk without control measures</b>	<b>Control measures</b>	<b>Residual risk</b>
Injury / infection from foreign objects on playing surface (e.g. rabbit holes; sharps; frozen ground; litter; dog faeces)	Players Coaches	Low / Medium	<p>-Coaches to inspect playing surface and remove any foreign objects / repair before use (pitches should <b>not</b> be used if this is not possible)</p> <p>-Significant (e.g. presence of needles) or persistent issues should be reported to Club (and pitch owner)</p> <p>AWAY MATCHES: Coaches must satisfy themselves that pitch provided by opposition is suitable / safe to use before match</p>	Low
Injury from the act of playing a contact sport – football.	Players	Medium	<p>Football is a contact sport and there is an inherent risk of injury or physical harm. This may include cuts and bruises, broken bones, head injury / concussion, asthma attack, cardiac arrest.</p> <p>-Team Managers are trained in Emergency First Aid and maintain valid certification.</p> <p>-Emergency Plans are located within the kit bag and issued to parents identifying key information (GPS co-ord, AED locations, hospital information) in case of an incident</p> <p>-First Aid Kits are available pitch side</p> <p>-Players are coached by qualified coaches and are encouraged to play the game in a safe manner</p> <p>-Key medical history / conditions are recorded by the Club and available to the manager pitchside</p> <p>-Where required labelled asthma inhalers are available pitchside via the manager</p> <p>-The Club's AED is held by only the U12 coaches (Andrew Harradine is principle contact)</p>	Medium

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Injury from collapsing goalposts	Players	Medium	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Club has goalpost Policy</li> <li>-Coaches required to read / comply with policy.</li> <li>-Club will only provide suitable / approved goalposts</li> <li>-Coaches must inspect goalposts before use</li> <li>-Coaches must ensure goalposts are suitably restrained before use</li> <li>-Coaches must notify Club of any goalpost defects immediately</li> </ul> <p>AWAY MATCHES: Coaches must satisfy themselves that goalposts provided by opposition are suitable / safe to use before match</p>	Low
Head injury through repetitive “heading” of football	Players	Low (long term concerns)	<p>Heading footballs is a normal part of the game and modern footballs are lighter in materials and design but the repetitive nature of this has been raised as a concern in terms of longer term impact on the brain, particularly during its development within younger people.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Repetitive “heading” drills / practice will not be allowed</li> <li>-FA guidance will be followed</li> </ul>	Low
Lack of emergency medication (e.g. for asthma)	Players	Medium	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Club undertakes annual check of players’ requirements during registration</li> <li>-Club requires parents to notify Club of details in writing / and any changes in circumstances</li> <li>-Parents must inform the Coach of specific player requirements / use of medication</li> <li>-Parents must provide labelled medication (i.e. inhalers) to Coach</li> <li>-Coach must carry labelled medication (i.e. inhalers) provided at all training sessions / matches</li> </ul>	Low

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-At least one first aid qualified Club coach must be present at each training session / match</li> <li>-Players CANNOT play unless inhaler is provided</li> </ul>	
Inadequate first aid arrangements	Players	Medium	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Club requires that at least one first aid qualified Club coach must be present at each training session / match</li> <li>-Club provides refresher training to coaches at least every 3 years</li> <li>-First aid kits provided by Club</li> <li>-Annual check of kit contents by coach / Club</li> <li>-Coach to notify Club if kit items used / need to be replaced</li> </ul>	Low
Inadequate emergency arrangements	Players	Medium	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Coach to hold specific Emergency Plan for each training / home match location, which is updated annually or as otherwise required</li> <li>-Access to pitches must be maintained for use by emergency services</li> <li>-Mobile phone to be on-site for all matches</li> </ul> <p>AWAY MATCHES: Coaches must familiarise themselves with emergency arrangements for opposition venue before start of match.</p>	
Physical assault	Coaches Players Parents	Medium	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Club has Code of Conduct which requires that confrontation is avoided</li> <li>-Code communicated by Club to Coaches, Parents and Players</li> <li>-Coaches / parents / players required to read / confirm they will comply with the Code</li> <li>-Coaches have authority to abandon match if physical assault occurs or is threatened</li> </ul>	Low / Medium

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			-Any physical assault / threat of should be reported to the police -Any physical assault / threat of should be reported to the Club	
Release of players at end of training sessions / matches	Players	Low	-Club has procedure -Procedure communicated by Club to Coaches and Parents -Parent / responsible person must notify Coach if they intend to leave training / matches and return later -Coach must check that players leave after training / matches with parent / responsible person	Low
Poor supervision of access to toilets	Players	Low	-If ratios allow players are to be escorted to toilets particularly during evening sessions in the winter.	Low
Child welfare is compromised	Players	Medium	-Club has Child Welfare policy -Club has a Child Welfare Officer, specifically trained via FA -Club requires all coaches to have DBS check and complete a pre-coaching questionnaire with 2 references sought -Policy communicated by Club to Coaches and Parents -Club requires that at least one Safeguarding qualified Club coach must be present at each training session / match -Club requires that any identified child welfare issue is reported by Coaches / Parents to Club Welfare Officer. -Club has a texting/emailing U18 policy -Photography at matches only with both clubs' consent	Low
Contact with hazardous substances (i.e.	Players Coaches	Low / Medium	-Club has White Line Marker Policy that specifies use of suitable chemicals only on pitches	Low

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Injury from use of grass cutting equipment	Coaches	Medium	-Coaches to notify Club if grass needs to be cut -Coaches / Parents should must not cut grass -Club will organise / request grass to be cut by approved third party	Low
Adverse weather (heat stroke / hypothermia / dehydration / too windy)	Coaches Players	Medium	-Players must bring suitable drink / clothing -Coaches to confirm weather conditions are safe to play and players have suitable drink / clothing -Coaches must allow time / encourage players to hydrate during training sessions / matches	Low
Inappropriate clothing resulting in injury / illness	Players	Low	-Players must wear shin pads as required by the FA and the Club -Appropriate footwear is required for the specific surface -Jewellery, watches, bands, etc. must not be worn during training or matches	Low
Travel	Coaches Players	Low	-Club policy is that parents are responsible for transporting players to / from training / match venues -If Club organises transport for players then specific risk assessment must be completed	Low
<b>Bickley (not an active venue during 18/19 but development work taking place at this location)</b>				
Aggressive livestock	Players Coaches	Medium / High	-Coaches must not let Players enter fields containing livestock (e.g. to retrieve balls). -Coaches only enter fields if safe to do so.	Low

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Contact with electric fences	Players Coaches	Medium	-Coaches must not let Players cross electric fences (e.g. to retrieve balls). -Coaches must not cross fences and should find an alternative safe route.	Low
Contact with vehicles in car park	Players Coaches Spectators	Medium / High	As per <i>Release of players at end of training sessions / matches</i> – parents and players have been made aware of the limitation of responsibility attached to coaches pre/post sessions	Low
<b>Farndon Community Field</b>				
Contact with animal faeces	Players Coaches Spectators	Medium	Coaches must undertake a sweep of the playing surface and dispose of any dog / fox faeces appropriately. A supply of bags will be maintained in the kit bag for each session.	Low
Contact with vehicles in car park	Players, spectators	Medium / High	As per <i>Release of players at end of training sessions / matches</i> – parents and players have been made aware of the limitation of responsibility attached to coaches pre/post sessions	Low
Storage of goalposts and other equipment in containers	Coaches, volunteers, parents	Medium	Goalposts must be carried by minimum of 2 people Container needs to be left uncluttered and free of trip hazards Items stored above head height must be secured	Low
<b>Farndon Primary School</b>				
Contact with vehicles in car park	Players, spectators	Medium / High	As per <i>Release of players at end of training sessions / matches</i> – parents and players have been made aware of the limitation of responsibility attached to coaches pre/post sessions	Low
Injury whilst using fixed playground equipment	Players, spectators	Medium	-Policy is that play equipment is not to be used. -Club players and parents advised of no use rule at start of season and reminded as required. -Visiting coaches, teams and spectators advised of no use rule before each match.	Low

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