



First-aid Attendant Policy

In Canada the "Volenti Doctrine" recognizes that in any sport there are risks which are "obvious", i.e. "foreseeable" and "necessary". In other words, the risk of minor injury or injury is both foreseeable and necessary if one is to learn the sport. The risk of receiving blows to the body are both foreseeable and necessary to boxing, football, soccer, rugby, hockey or any other bodily contact sports if one is to accomplish the end result of the sport. To help mitigate the consequences of injury to players the Club has adopted the following policy.

Policy

It is Club policy that each competitive team must designate one person to be the official team first-aid attendant. The attendant is a team official and must be properly registered with the Club and the OSA in accordance with the OSA Volunteer Screening Program. It is preferable that the individual has the appropriate first aid certification or is a licensed health care worker with the appropriate training. The Club will cover the cost of training if it is required. The attendant is responsible for dealing with minor injuries that may occur during games or practices. It is preferable that the attendant for girl's teams be a female.

Procedure

In the case of an accident or injury the attendant and/or any other team officials must understand and conduct themselves in the standard of care required by the situation. Therefore, if a participant is injured, a team official must:

- secure proper medical attention immediately,
- if the injury is serious Call 911,
- make sure you have coaches' /participant's medical information at hand,
- notify the parents, and
- follow-up on the condition of the player.

Any serious injury must be reported to the Club.