

Annexure I: Concussion Procedure

APPLICATION

This Concussion Procedure shall apply to all matches in Queensland Premier Cricket competitions.

INTRODUCTION

In the event a head trauma occurs, or the umpires suspect that a player may be concussed, a replacement player is allowed for the remainder of the match.

PROCESS

The replacement player shall be a similar type of player (best endeavours) who may immediately participate in the match as a complete replacement player for the Concussed Player.

The Concussion Substitute is permitted to bat, bowl, keep wicket or field as though they were a member of the starting 11. (or in competitions that allow a different number of players – e.g. Lord's Taverners, Paul Pink Shield – that number)

The team captain or a club official shall seek the prior approval of the umpires, who shall not unreasonably refuse a request. The umpires need only be reasonably satisfied that a head trauma occurred during the match.

The umpires shall then inform the captain of the opposing team.

OBJECTIVE

This procedure's objective is to permit the replacement of a player who is suspected of suffering from head trauma or concussion.

The opposing team shall not be unfairly disadvantaged by a team's choice of replacement player.

A team shall take reasonable steps to replace a concussed player with a similar type of player; however, the status of the match may permit other types of replacements, for example –

- A batter may be replaced by a bowler provided that the team will no longer bowl in the match;
- A batter may be replaced by a bowler subject to the captain's undertaking that the replacement will not bowl in the match;
- A bowler may be replaced by a batter provided that the team will no longer bat in the match or the bowler has been dismissed.

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