



Health and Safety Policy

Bury Rangers FC is committed to providing a safe working, coaching, teaching and learning environment for all volunteers, players and any related third parties. Responsibility for health and safety ultimately lies with the incumbent Committee. However, all members have a legal responsibility, as stated under Section 7 of the Health and Safety at Work Act 1974, to do everything practicable to prevent an accident or injury to themselves and to fellow members and persons, engaging with the club's activities. The Club Welfare Officer is responsible for ensuring this information is fully understood by coaching and organising team and by the members who participate in club activities.

Bury Rangers FC aims to promote health and safety, so far as reasonably practicable, by ensuring:

- the provision and maintenance of safe equipment that poses no risk to health
- the provision of relevant information to volunteers, members and any related third parties, including instruction, training and supervision, as is necessary to ensure health and safety
- maintenance of safe environments, including a means of access in a condition that is safe and without risk to health
- progressive identification and assessment of all risk, taking measures to eliminate or control it
- compliance with statutory regulation on health and safety and welfare of volunteers, members and any related third parties
- the health and safety and welfare of vulnerable members is addressed through positive action
- all required and appropriately qualified volunteers are given training to identify and control potentially hazardous situations/environments
- effective measures are in place to deal with emergencies.

This list is not exhaustive and represents general principles followed by Bury Rangers in respect of health and safety.

First Aid

All confirmed nominees are appropriately qualified emergency aiders, holding current certificates. Therefore, one of the emergency aiders listed as a qualified coach within the Whole Game System must be present at any session or match carrying club sponsorship. This person must be called upon in the event of an incident occurring, to administer any emergency aid required. It is important that all issues where an emergency aider has been involved are recorded on an FA incident report form. When completed, a copy of this form must be submitted to the Club Welfare Officer and the victim, or his/her parent(s)/guardian(s), should they be minors.

Risk Assessment Procedures

Qualified coaches must ensure that suitable and sufficient control measures are in place to reduce identified risks when they are delivering any component of a session or match. Any information a coach has identified in relation to risk should be shared with/distributed to the Committee, for distribution to relevant other members of the volunteer team. All coaches required to conduct risk assessments will be given the appropriate training and/or will be made aware of what is expected of them in advance. For example, goal post integrity and pitch safety must be inspected before all sessions.