

FRANKSTON

BASKETBALL

First Aid Policy

1. Overview

In accordance with Basketball Victoria guidelines, basketball is considered a low injury risk sport. As such, it is not necessary that medical or other persons qualified in first aid be present at all games conducted by Basketball Victoria or any of its affiliated associations.

In most circumstances first aid should only be rendered by persons with proper first aid training. If no qualified first aid person is readily available at the time of injury or illness, a non-qualified person can render assistance if this can be done safely.

Where it appears that a person injured or suffering an illness requires medical attention, the person should be referred to a medical practitioner. For urgent assistance an ambulance should be called for without delay.

2. First Aid Equipment

The FDDB shall ensure that sufficient first aid equipment adequate to allow the rendering of basic first aid to a person suffering an illness or injury during any game conducted by the association is readily available.

Equipment must be:

- a) Easily located,
- b) Within its recommended date of use,
- c) Properly maintained and stocked, and
- d) Stocked with such equipment and in such quantity as is recommended by a local first aid trainer having regard to the number of people using the basketball facility

3. Protective Measures

The FDDB will take reasonable measures to ensure that:

- a) By way of signage or otherwise, persons attending or playing in games are aware of first aid facilities provided and their location, availability and location of telephones for emergency use, the identity of any first aid qualified person available at the venue and the telephone numbers and addresses of ambulance, nearest hospitals and medical practitioners,
- b) At all times emergency access is available at games venues for ambulances, stretchers and other emergency equipment, and
- c) First aid equipment is available at all playing and training venues at all times. If players are training at a venue that is not under the association's control, such as at a school, and there is no readily available place to safely store the equipment between training days, the team must ensure a portable kit is taken to each training session