Weather and Environment Risk Assessment

Club Name: Rossendale Bucks

Assessment Date: 10-10-2024

Assessor Name: Hidden from public viewing contact the club direct

Review Date: 09-10-2025

| **Hazard** | **Who Might Be Harmed** | **Risk** | **Existing Controls** | **Further Action Required** | **Responsibility** |
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| Heat exhaustion or heat stroke | Players, coaches | High | Scheduled water breaks; sessions adjusted in hot weather | Provide shaded areas; educate on signs of heat illness | Coaches / First Aid Officer |
| Cold weather injuries (hypothermia, frostbite) | Players, staff | Medium | Advise appropriate clothing; shorten sessions in cold weather | Provide warm-up breaks; monitor wind chill factors | Coaches / Team Manager |
| Lightning strikes during outdoor activity | All participants | High | Follow national lightning safety guidance; evacuate field if lightning seen or thunder heard | Designate indoor shelter areas; use 30/30 lightning rule | Match Day Officer |
| Slippery or muddy field conditions | Players | Medium | Pre-match pitch inspection; clear standing water if possible | Postpone if surface unsafe; communicate decision promptly | Groundskeeper / Head Coach |
| Reduced visibility due to fog or heavy rain | Players, referees | Medium | Pause or cancel sessions in poor visibility conditions | Monitor weather forecast before sessions | Coaching Staff |
| Dehydration during training or games | Players | Medium | Water available at all times; scheduled hydration breaks | Assign hydration leads; monitor fluid intake during hot weather | Team Captains / Coaches |
| Sunburn or UV overexposure | Players, coaches | Low | Encourage use of sunscreen and protective clothing | Provide sunscreen at venue; schedule sessions outside peak sun hours | Health & Safety Officer |
| Allergic reactions from environmental exposure (e.g., pollen, insect bites) | Players | Low | Players advised to carry personal medication; avoid known triggers | First aiders trained on EpiPen use; keep medical details on file | First Aid Officer |