



# Sporting Injuries Requiring Hospitalisation Policy

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<b>Applies to</b>	Whole School
<b>Endorsed by</b>	Head Master
<b>Responsibility</b>	Head Master
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## Away From Home

- If only one team is travelling on an away fixture every effort will be made to ensure that the team is accompanied by at least two members of staff.
- If the parents of an injured player are not present at the match, the member of staff i/c team should accompany the boy to A&E. If the boy has to leave for hospital whilst the match is still in progress a decision must be reached with the opposition staff member as to whether he or she is prepared to take full responsibility for both sides in the case of the match continuing.
- Parents should be contacted and requested to go to the relevant A&E to release the member of staff. If the boy is a boarder or the boy's parents are not contactable, the member of staff should stay with the casualty until arrangements are made for his collection. If no arrangement can be made, staff should seek advice from a member of CMT. (Contact numbers as on the Contacts Card).
- If the School buses have left, staff (and boy, if he has been released) should return to Bedford by taxi. Staff should pay the taxi in cash, collect a receipt and claim money back from School.
- Parents should be called later in the evening or on the following day as a courtesy. This call should also be made in the case of an injury sustained at home.

## Home Fixture

- In normal circumstances the Medical Centre should be called (01234 362261) as the first course of action. If, however, the injury is assessed as life threatening the emergency services should be called directly. The Medical Centre should be contacted immediately after this call.
- For less serious injuries The Medical Centre should be informed and they will take responsibility for the situation. If the casualty needs to be taken to hospital the Medical Centre will locate a member of staff (normally the Main Field Officer) to accompany the casualty when the ambulance arrives and will arrange for parents to take over from staff at A&E.