

DAY OF INCIDENT

- Any player who has suffered a concussion or is suspected of having a concussion must be medically assessed as soon as possible after the injury and must NOT be allowed to return to play in the same match or training session.
- The controlling body (league/association) MUST be notified ASAP of any concussion or suspected concussion

UPON NOTIFICATION

- Once a league has been notified by a club of a concussion or suspected concussion, the League Administrator should;
 - Suspend the player in Play HQ until seasons end
 - Provide the club with a link to the [WA Football Concussion Referral & Clearance form](#)
- If medically cleared that there was NO concussion, then the player can return to play after submitting [WA Football Concussion Referral & Clearance form](#) to the League Administrator clearing them to play.
- In this instance the League Administrator removes the suspension from the players Play HQ profile to allow them to return to play

PLAYER RECOVERY

- Every players recovery timeline will be different. A player MUST NOT be allowed to return to full contact training until they have received a medical clearance to do so
- Players must follow the [Stage of Graded Return to Play – WA Football Framework](#)

MEDICAL CLEARANCE RECEIVED

- Upon the League Administrator receiving a [WA Football Concussion Referral & Clearance form](#) clearing the player to return to resume full contact training and/or play, the player will be able to return to play no earlier than on or after the 21st day post the incident.

RETURN TO PLAY

- To facilitate this the league administrator should remove the suspension on the Players PQ profile or put an end date in accordance with the players return to play timeline.