



BC Soccer Policy

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Policy Name	Risk Management Policy

Policy Statement

BC Soccer will establish and maintain an effective risk management process for managing risks, promote a risk culture, ensuring everyone is aware of their responsibilities for risk management.

BC Soccer is risk adverse in its approach and acknowledges that risk management is a broad activity with widely shared responsibility.

Purpose

To provide high level guidance on how risk management is performed within all activities undertaken by BC Soccer effectively manage risks associated with protecting BC Soccer staff, volunteers, and participants from harm, meeting business and strategic objectives, and to protect BC Soccer from financial or reputational harm.

Effective risk management has the following benefits for BC Soccer:

1. Prevents or limits injury or losses to BC Soccer, its members, and affiliated clubs
2. Helps to protect BC Soccer and its Members against litigation
3. Ensures that BC Soccer is compliant with all applicable laws, regulations, and standards
4. Improves the programs and services that BC Soccer provides to its members, participants, partners, and sponsors
5. Promotes improved business management and human resource management practices
6. Enhances BC Soccer's brand, reputation, and image in the community
7. Overall, enhances BC Soccer's ability to achieve its strategic objectives.

Standards

1. The Board of Directors are responsible for ensuring there is a Risk Management Policy in place.
2. BC Soccer Staff are responsible for ensuring there are Risk Management Procedures in place.
3. BC Soccer staff and Board of Directors are responsible for identifying risks and applying the appropriate measures in accordance with the Risk Management Procedures.
4. All directors, officers, staff, and volunteers have a responsibility to take appropriate measures within their scope of authority and responsibility to identify, assess, manage, and communicate risks

Definitions

Risk – the chance of something negative occurring that will impact BC Soccer. It is measured in terms of likelihood and consequences.

Risk Management - the process of identifying, monitoring and managing potential risks in order to minimize the negative impact they may have on an organization.

Risk Management Officer – A Board Member who is the chair of the Risk Management Committee, responsible for implementing and monitoring this policy.

Guidelines

BC Soccer's Risk Management Guide outline the Risk Management Process and the procedural steps required to identify, assess and treat and communicate risks.

The Board has designated a BC Soccer Risk Management Officer, responsible for the implementation, maintenance, and communication of this policy.

Members and affiliated organizations are encouraged to prepare similar policies to govern the management of risk within their jurisdictions.

Applicable Operational Procedures

Risk Management Procedures

Compliance to BC Soccer Governing Documents

In accordance with BC Soccer's "*Bylaws 3.4.a.ii*" all member organizations must comply with the applicable Bylaws, Rules and Regulations, Judicial Code and Policies, other Policies, decisions and directives of BC Soccer and the statutes, bylaws, regulations, directives and decisions of Canada Soccer, FIFA at all times

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