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A nominated representative of the national Rugby Union must report a catastrophic injury to World Rugby as soon as possible, but at most 8 weeks after the event, using this 'World Rugby Catastrophic Injury Report Form 1' (the "Form"). This Form (including the information contained in this Form) should be treated with the utmost confidentiality and should not be disclosed to any third party. This Form should be completed with input, where possible, from the injured player, other players, coaches, referees, club officials, etc.

(I) General Disclaimer

Please read the General Guidelines for the completion of the World Rugby Catastrophic Injury Report Form 1 (hereinafter referred to as the "General Guidelines"). The purpose of this Form is to collect generic, anonymous information relating to a catastrophic injury for research purposes only. The Form is not designed to capture, nor does World Rugby wish to receive, any information from which a person (e.g. a player, referee, coach or other person) is or may be identified. Please ensure that no such information is included in the Form.

(II) Medical Data Disclaimer

Section D of the Form requires you to provide certain generic, anonymous information in relation to the injured player's medical history. Without prejudice to the general disclaimer at section I above, to the extent that it is necessary for you to request or have access to the injured player's personal data in order to be able to complete the Form, you acknowledge and agree that World Rugby shall have no responsibility or liability in respect of such personal data. You should ensure that you have whatever consents required under (and shall be solely responsible for compliance with) local data protection law.



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(III) Catastrophic Injury

A Rugby-related injury that should be considered as a potential 'catastrophic injury' for World Rugby reporting purposes includes:

- 1. Spinal cord injuries with an ASIA classification at 48 hours of A to D
- 2. Brain injuries with a Glasgow Coma Scale (GCS) at 48 hours of ≤12 (i.e. graded as 'moderate' or 'severe')
- 3. Fatalities (including spinal cord, traumatic brain, and cardiac-related fatalities)

Criteria for an injury to be retained on the World Rugby database and considered as a catastrophic injury include:

- 1. Spinal cord injuries with an ASIA classification at 12 months of A to D
- 2. Traumatic brain injuries with a Glasgow Outcome Scale (GOS) at 12 months of 1 to 3
- 3. Fatalities resulting from any rugby match or training activity.

(See Appendix A for definitions of the ASIA, GCS and GOS scales)

Section A: Player Details

1	Age at time of injury: *	6 – 9 years of 10 – 12 year 13 – 15 year 16 – 18 year 19 – 21 year 19	rs of age rs of age rs of age	22 – 24 years of age 25 - 27 years of age 28 – 30 years of age 31 – 33 years of age Over 33 years of age
2	Gender: * Male	Female		
3	Player's weight in Kg:			
4	Player's height in cm:			
5	Ethnicity: Arabic Asian Black Africa Black Caribb		Pacific Island White Mixed Other (please	
			For completion of Guidelines	f this answer, please refer to the General

* Denotes mandatory question



6	At what age did the player start playing Rugby?
	Less than 10 years of age 11 – 13 years of age 0 Over 19 years of age 14 – 16 years of age Not known
7	Number of years the player has been playing Rugby:
	Less than 1 year 7 – 9 years 1 – 3 years Over 9 years 4 – 6 years Not known
8	a) Player's current grade of play (please select highest level of play): *
	School Non-professional club Professional club International None of the above
	b) Is the player registered?
	Yes No
9	Player's usual playing position: *
	Loose-head prop Hooker Right flanker Left wing Left centre Number eight Right lock Scrum half Right lock Fly half Full back
10	Number of years the player has been playing in this position:



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Section B: Injury Circumstances

11	Year the injury occurred: *
12	Did the injury occur during: *
	15-sided match ➤ Go to question 13 7-sided match ➤ Go to question 13 Training activity ➤ Go to question 14 Other (please specify:) ➤ Go to question 14
	For completion of this answer, please refer to the General Guidelines
13	a) Did the injury occur during:
	Pre-season First month of season Last month of season
	b) What type of match was it?
	Level of game
	International Non-professional club Professional club School
	Type of game
	Competition Practice Friendly Social
	c) Grade of opposition: Was the opposition the same age?
	Yes No Not known
	Was the opposition from the same grade e.g. A, B, C?
	Yes No Not known
	Was the opposition of equal standard?
	Yes No Not known



d) In which p	period of the game did the	injury occur?	
	1st Quarter 2nd Quarter		3rd Quarter 4th Quarter
Commissi		-	us Play, as identified by the referee or Citing
оол. гр	Yes ➤ Go to question	-	No ➤ Go to question 13g
	the following classifications select more than one answ		vas found to have occurred?
	Dangerous chargin	ing hout the shoulders hout the ball ont whose feet are off g shing against oppone ing opponents	-
g) Playing po	osition of injured player, at		
	Loose-head prop Hooker Tight-head prop Left lock Right lock	Left flanker Right flanker Number eigh Scrum half Fly half	Left wing Left centre Right centre Right wing Full back
h) Was the p	olayer playing in their norm	aal position?	
	Yes	No	Not known



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4	Was the match / training session carried out under:
	Natural light Artificial light
5	a) If the injury occurred during a match, was the match officiated?
	Yes ➤ Go to question 15c No ➤ Go to question 16 Not known ➤ Go to question 16
	b) If the injury occurred during a training activity, was the training session supervised by a coach(es)?
	Yes ➤ Go to question 15d No ➤ Go to question 16 Not known ➤ Go to question 16
	c) Was the referee a qualified referee?
	Yes No Not known
	➤ Now go to question 16
	d) Was the coach a qualified coach?
	Yes No Not known
6	Indicate the type of activity involved when the injury occurred: *
	Tackle ➤ Go to question 17 Lineout ➤ Go to question 21 Scrum ➤ Go to question 18 Non-contact training ➤ Go to question 22 Ruck ➤ Go to question 19 Collision (accidental) - please describe below ➤ Then go to question 23 Maul ➤ Go to question 20 Other activity - please describe below ➤ Then go to question 23
	For completion of this answer, please refer to the General Guidelines

Your online submission will accept a maximum of 200 characters for this question.



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a) What was the injured player's role in the tackle?
Ball carrier Support player to ball carrier Tackler Support player to tackler None of the above
b) What type of contact was involved? See Appendix B: Descriptions of tackle types
Arm Collision (no arms) Shoulder Smother Tap Lift None of the above c) How many tacklers were involved in the tackle? d) Please provide any other information relevant to the tackle, e.g., head was first point of contact with ground, upper body was first point of contact with post, etc.
For completion of this answer, please refer to the General Guidelines Your online submission will accept a maximum of 200 characters for this question.

➤ Now go to question 23



a) Was the scrum	against a scrum macl	nine or live opposition?		
	Scrum machine > Live opposition >			
b) How many play	ers were scrummagi	ng against the scrum ma	chine?	
➤ Now go to questic	on 18f			
c) Was the scrum	a contested scrum?			
	Yes	No	No	ot known
d) How many play team?	vers were participating	g in the scrum from the i	njured playe	r's team and from the opposition
	Injured player's te	am:	Opposition	n team:
	3		3	
	<u> </u>		5	
	7		7	
	8		8	
e) Which team ha	d the throw into the s	scrum?		
	Player's own team		O _I	oposition team
f) Did the injury o	ccur due to:			
	Impact or engagem	ent		
	Player popping			
	Scrum wheeling / ro			
	Scrum collapse on e	engagement related to engagement		
	None of the above	related to engagement		
g) Did the player's	s injury occur after a s	crum re-set?		
	Yes ➤ Go to question	on 18h		
	No ➤ Go to questio	n 23		
	Not known ➤ Go to	o question 23		
h) How many scru	ım resets took place?			
➤ Now go to questic	on 23			
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19	a) What was the injured player's role in the ruck?			
	Ball carrier			
	Support player to ball carrier			
	Tackler			
	Support player to tackler			
	None of the above			
	b) What was the position at the time of the injury?			
	Cleaning out			
	Cleaned out			
	Bridging			
	Squeeze ball position			
	Lying on ground			
	None of the above			
	➤ Now go to question 23			
20	a) Did the injury occur during:			
	Collapsed maul			
	Clearing out			
	Cleared out			
	Other (please specify:)			
	For completion of this answer, please refer to the General Guidelines			
	b) Please provide any other information in relation to the maul, e.g., injured player was the ball carrier, injured			
	player was member of defending team, location of injury player within maul, etc.			
	For completion of this answer, please refer to the General Guidelines			
	Your online submission will accept a maximum of 200 characters for this question.			
	➤ Now go to question 23			



	ntify how the injury occurred:
	Lifted player fell during landing (no other player involved) Lifted player fell during landing (other player(s) involved) Lifting player injured (no other player involved) Lifting player injured (other player(s) involved) Other (please specify:)
	For completion of this answer, please refer to the General Guidelines
	ase provide any other information relevant to the lineout, e.g., which body part first made contact with the und, etc:
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Your on ➤ Now	go to question 23 ase give details of the non-contact training activity being undertaken at the time of the injury: Weight training Non-contact drills Running drills
Your on ➤ Now	go to question 23 ase give details of the non-contact training activity being undertaken at the time of the injury: Weight training Non-contact drills Running drills Wrestling
Your on ➤ Now	go to question 23 ase give details of the non-contact training activity being undertaken at the time of the injury: Weight training Non-contact drills Running drills Grappling Grappling
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Section C: Immediate Post-Injury Care

23	a) Was there session?	a qualified m	edical practitioner	/ first aider in attendance throughout the match / training
		Yes ➤ (Go to question 23b	No ➤ Go to question 24
	b) Please spe	ecify who provi	ded the support:	
	First aider	Yes	No	
	Nurse	Yes	No	
	Physiotherapi	st (or equivaler	nt) No	(Please specify:) For completion of this answer,
	Physician	Yes	No	please refer to the General Guidelines
	Other practition	oner Yes	No	(Please specify category of person:)
				For completion of this answer, please refer to the General Guidelines
24		layer first atten er / first aider?	ded to by someor	ne OTHER than a qualified medical
		Yes ➤	Go to question 24b	No ➤ Go to question 25
	b) Who first	attended to the	e player?	
		Player Coach Spectato	or	Referee None of the above
	c) What action	ons were taken	by this person?	
		Player re Player lo Player gi	ven mouth to mo	pitch
		■ None of	the above	



25	Who was the first qualified medical practitioner / first aider to	attend to the injured player?
	First aider	
	Nurse	
	Physiotherapist (or equivalent)	
	Physician	
	Paramedic	()
	Other practitioner and/or category of person	on (please specify:)
	For completion of this answer, please refer	to the General Guidelines
26	Was the injured player first attended to:	
	On the pitch	
	Off the pitch	
	Not known	
27	Who assisted with the removal of the player from the pitch?	
	Injured player walked off unassisted	
	Other player(s)	
	Coach	
	Spectator	
	First aider	
	Nurse	
	Physiotherapist (or equivalent)	
	Physician Page 2015	
	Paramedic Other category of person (please specify:)	
	Offier caregory or person (please specify.)	
	For completion of this answer, please refer	to the General Guidelines
28	What equipment / care was provided during the process of re	emoving the player from the pitch? Check all that
	apply.	_
	None	Scoop stretcher
	Hard collar	Oxygen
	Spinal board	Other (please specify:)
	Vacuum mattress	
		For completion of this answer, please refer to the General Guidelines



29	a) Was the player taken immediately to hospital?	
	Yes ➤ Go to question 29e	No ➤ Go to question 29b
	b) Was the player taken to hospital at a later stage?	
	Yes ➤ Go to question 29c	No ➤ Go to question 30
	c) How long after the injury was the player taken to hos	pital?
	Hours	Days
	d) What circumstances led to the player going to hosp	tal at that stage?
	For completion of this answer, please refer to the Gener Your online submission will accept a maximum of 200 charac	
	e) How was the injured player taken to hospital?	
	Ambulance Car	Helicopter Other (please specify:)
		For completion of this answer, please refer to the General Guidelines
30	What was the initial hospital-based diagnosis? *	
	Non-fatal spinal cord injury Fatal spinal cord injury Non-fatal head injury Fatal head injury Other fatality	
	Other (please specify, e.g., blood ve	ssel injury causing stroke, etc.:)



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Section D: Player's medical history

This section requires you to provide certain generic, anonymous information in relation to the injured player's medical history. Without prejudice to the general disclaimer at section (I), to the extent that it is necessary for you to request or have access to the injured player's personal data in order to be able to complete the Form, you acknowledge and agree that World Rugby shall have no responsibility or liability in respect of such personal data. You should ensure that you have whatever consents required under, and shall be solely responsible for compliance with, local data protection law.

31	a) Did the player suffer from any medical conditions or illnesses that interrupted his/her training or match play in the week immediately prior to the injury? Yes ➤ Go to question 31b No ➤ Go to question 32	
	b) Describe the condition(s) / illness(es),if known:	
	For completion of this answer, please refer to the General Guidelines Your online submission will accept a maximum of 200 characters for this question.	
	c) Were these diagnosed by a medical practitioner?	
	Yes No	
32	a) Does the player have any long-term medical condition(s) or illness(es) that may be relevant to the injury (e.g., epilepsy, diabetes, etc.)?	
	Yes ➤ Go to question 32b No ➤ Go to question 33	
	b) Describe the condition(s) / illness(es), if known:	
	For completion of this answer, please refer to the General Guidelines Your online submission will accept a maximum of 200 characters for this question.	
	c) Were these diagnosed by a medical practitioner?	
	Yes No	



33	a) Does the player have a history of 'stinger' injuries (also known as 'burner', 'nerve pinch' and 'brachial plexus' injuries)?
	Yes ➤ Go to question 33b No ➤ Go to question 34
	b) For how many years has the player suffered from these 'stinger' injuries (also known as 'burner', 'nerve pinch and 'brachial plexus' injuries)?
	Number of years: Not known
	c) Were these stingers/burners:
	Only tingling/burning Associated with weakness Not known
	d) How frequently did the player suffer these stingers/burners in the past year?
	Every game More than 3 times in the past year 1-3 times in the past year Not known
	e) Did these stingers/burners affect:
	Both arms Right arm Left arm Not known
	f) Did the player have any stingers/burners that lasted more than 24 hours?
	Yes No Not known
	g) Did the player have a stinger/burner that resulted in prolonged (i.e. > 2 weeks) weakness?
	Yes No Not known



34	a) Had the player ever sustained a previous significar scans (such as MRI or CT scan), with prolonged syr symptoms or preventing play for more than two w	·
	Yes ➤ Go to question 34b	No ➤ Go to question 35
	b) Please identify any previous neck problems:	
	Neck strain Neck disc injury Neck tumor	Neck fracture or dislocation Neck arthritis Other
	c) Had the player fully recovered from this previous n session in which the current injury was sustained?	neck / spinal injury before starting the match / training
	Yes	No
	d) Did the player receive treatment for the previous r	neck / spinal injury?
	Yes ➤ Go to question 34e	No ➤ Go to question 35
	e) What treatment was received?	
	Medication Physiotherapy Massage	Osteopath or chiropractor Surgery None of the above



Yes Go to question 35b No Not known Go to question 36 Not known Go to question 35c No Go to question 35d No Go to question 35c Not known Go to question 35e Not known Go to	-	l the player ever sustained a previous significant head / brain / concussion injury (i.e. with sympton ing more than three weeks, or requiring hospital admission or scans (such as MRI or CT scan)?
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Section E: Injured Player's Rugby Experience & Training

30	How many weeks pre-season training did the player complete before the start of this season?
37	Number of games played this season prior to this injury:
38	Had the injured player received training from a qualified coach / trainer on how to perform the following activities within the last 12 months?
	Tackling: Yes No
	Scrum: Yes No
	Ruck/maul: Yes No
	Lineout: Yes No
39	a) Did the player have a regular coach in charge of his/her Rugby development?
	Yes ➤ Go to question 39b No ➤ Go to question 40
	b) Was this coach the same as the coach referred to in question 15b?
	Yes ➤ Go to question 40 No ➤ Go to question 39c
	c) Was the relevant coach qualified?
	Yes No
40	How many training sessions did the player undertake each week during the pre-season training period? (Please give a number of sessions or insert "0" if no training was undertaken.)
	Team training sessions per week:
	Individual training sessions per week:



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Never	
Often, at least one session a month	
Never Rarely, no more than one session a season Occasionally, less than one session a month	



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Section F: Playing Conditions

45	a) Were the weather conditions on the day of the player's injury typical for the location and time
	of year? Yes ➤ Go to question 46 No ➤ Go to question 45b
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	b) What are the typical weather conditions for the location and time of year at which the injury incurred?
	For completion of this answer, please refer to the General Guidelines Your online submission will accept a maximum of 200 characters for this question.
	c) How did the weather on the day of the injury differ from these typical conditions?
	For completion of this answer, please refer to the General Guidelines Your online submission will accept a maximum of 200 characters for this question.
46	On what type of surface did the injury occur?
	Wood, e.g. gymnasium
	Tarmac, or similar
	Concrete
	Natural grass
	Artificial turf -rubber infill
	Artificial turf -sand infill
	Dirt or sand
47	What type of footwear was the player using at the time of injury?
	None
	Trainers
	Studded boots
	Other (please specify):
	Not known



48	How hard was the surface on the day of the injury?
	Soft
	Firm
	Hard
	Not known
49	What was the condition of the playing surface on the day of the injury?
	Flat and rough
	Flat and smooth
	Sloping and rough
	Sloping and smooth
	Not known
50	What state was the footwear/surface interface on the field on the day of the injury?
	Low grip (slippery)
	Medium grip
	High grip
	Not known
51	Was the player wearing / using any of the following equipment?
	Mouthguard: Yes No
	Headgear: Yes No
	Shoulder padding: Yes No
	Other (please specify:)
	Not known