



What is 'risk management' for coaches?

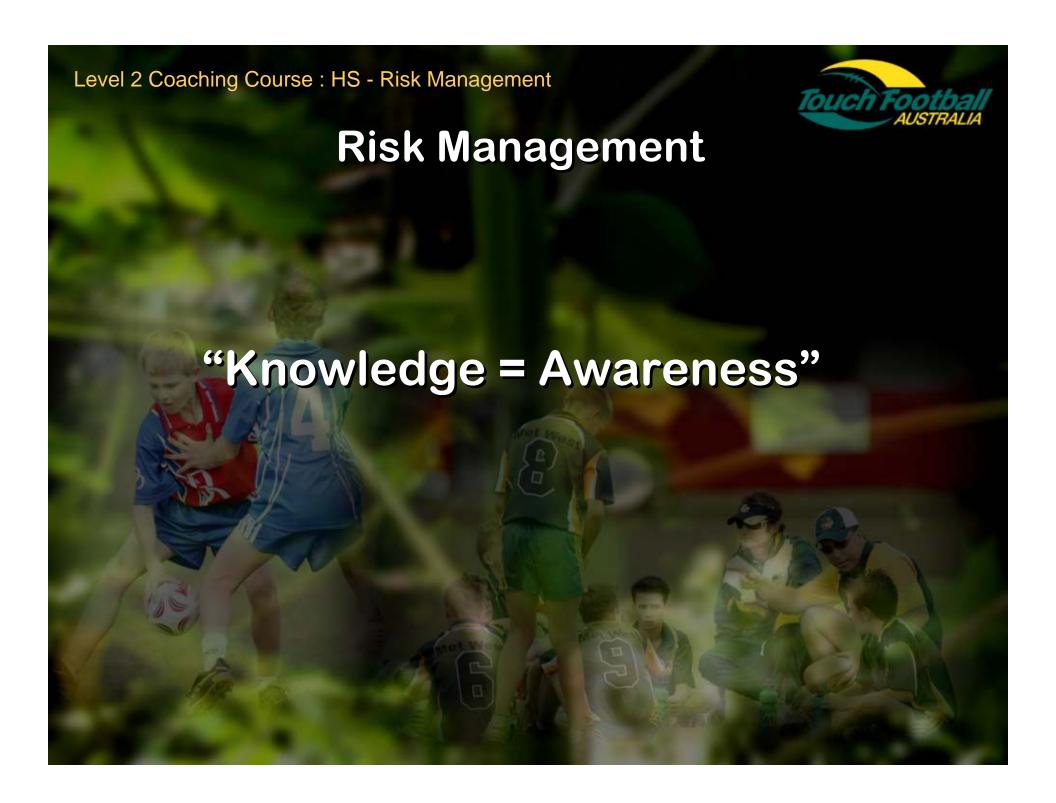
"The process of managing a coach's potential exposure to liabilities, preventing their occurrence or putting processes in place to meet the costs of a liability".



#### **Issues for coaches**

Contracts
Drugs
Children
Discrimination
Harassment
Injury

Medical
Natural Justice
Restraint of Trade
Selection
Safe environment
Other . . .





#### **Duty of care**

Coaches must exercise reasonable care to ensure that athletes under their care are not injured. If the coach does not show this duty of care, they can be found to be **NEGLIGENT!** 



#### **Coach responsibilities**

- Provide a safe environment
- Ensure activities are adequately planned
- Athletes are evaluated for injury if necessary
- Coaches abide by the TFA / ASC coach's code of ethics















#### **Ethical behaviour**

- Involves actual or potential harm to the reputation or beliefs of an individual or organisation.
- Racism, abuse, violence, injury, etc



#### **Risk identification**

- Physical risks
- Personal injury
- Environmental / weather
- Property, building, equipment, vehicles (including to and from)



#### **Action plan**

- 1. Risk
- 2. Risk reduction
- 3. Cost of project
- 4. Responsible officer
- 5. Assessment tool

Note: Issues are NOT nationally standard!

