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DATE: 29 June 2011

RE: Wrist/Power Bands

The QRL Board of Directors, at its meeting held on 14 June 2011, approved the attached NRL policy regarding Wrist/Power Band.

The Policy can be downloaded from the QRL website from 30 June, 2011.

Please circulate this advice to all Rugby League Bodies and Personnel within the Division and ensure that they are fully aware of this Policy.

Yours sincerely

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ADMINISTRATION MANAGER

FOR

ROSS LIVERMORE
MANAGING DIRECTOR



Queensland Rugby League Wrist Bands Policy

The NRL has recently reviewed the use of Power Bands by players' on-field during matches and wishes to notify all Clubs of the policy for 2011 season.

Players will be allowed to wear Power Bands/wristbands on-field during matches, **however they must be completely covered by tape(Strapping/Sports) so that no part of the band is visible.**

We believe that there is a potential injury risk for other players if these wristbands are used on-field without being taped up. In making or avoiding a tackle, another player may hook or get a finger/thumb caught in the band with the potential for serious injury.

It is the responsibility of the Touch Judges to inspect all equipment that is worn by players on-field prior to the commencement of a match. Touch Judges will be informed that any type of Power Band/Wristband must be completely taped up to be worn on-field.

Match Officials can request at any time during a match that any equipment deemed unsafe be removed immediately.