



## DYNAMIC RISK ASSESSMENT

### **Introduction - What is Dynamic Risk Assessment?**

Definition:

- A continuous process of identifying, evaluating, and managing risks during live coaching sessions.

Key Difference from Static Risk Assessment:

- Static = Pre-session planning
- Dynamic = Real-time adjustments based on changing conditions

### **Why is it Important in Pathway Coaching?**

Players are often young and developing, requiring extra vigilance.

Sessions involve variable conditions (weather, facilities, equipment).

Ensures player safety and welfare while maintaining performance goals.

### **Methods of Dynamic Risk Assessment**

Pre-Session Scan

Check facilities, equipment, and environment before starting.

Continuous Observation

Monitor player behavior, fatigue, and emotional state.

Environmental Awareness

Adjust for weather changes, lighting, or surface conditions.

Adapt Coaching Practices

Modify drills if risk increases (e.g., slippery surface → reduce high-speed drills).

Communication

Engage players and support staff in identifying hazards.

Documentation

Record significant changes and actions for accountability.



## Benefits of Dynamic Risk Assessment

- **Enhanced Player Safety**
  - Reduces likelihood of accidents and injuries.
- **Improved Session Quality**
  - Maintains focus on development without compromising safety.
- **Compliance**
  - Meets ECB and Wiltshire Cricket safeguarding standards.
- **Coach Confidence**
  - Empowers coaches to make informed decisions quickly.
- **Positive Culture**
  - Demonstrates professionalism and care for player welfare.

## KEY TAKEAWAYS

- Dynamic risk assessment is continuous, proactive, and essential.
- Safety and performance go hand-in-hand.