



Roles & Responsibilities of Officials

In the Blackburn Rovers' Football match against Ipswich Town, heavy rainfall left the pitch waterlogged. The referee decided to abandon the game in the 80th minute due to unsafe playing conditions.



Identify three key responsibilities officials have in sport.

Explain why abandoning the game was important to the referee.

If you were the referee, what factors would you consider before making this decision?

Discussion: Does technology (e.g. VAR, Hawk-Eye, TMO) help or hinder the role of officials?