Elbow Sprain



What is it?

Overstretching or tearing of the elbow ligaments. Frequently occurs in the medial collateral ligament

What causes it?

Sudden and forceful pressure through the elbow, like abnormal twisting of or falling onto an outstretched arm. Weakness in muscles and ligaments.

Symptoms

Pain, tenderness, bruising and swelling. Restricted movement.

Top Tips

Ice and immobilise as soon as possible

How to Treat it

RICER. Immobilisation.



Rehab

Gentle mobility and flexibility exercises. Supports or braces.

Definitions

Ligament - fibrous connective tissue which connects bones to other bones

Medial collateral ligament – stabilises elbow by connecting upper and lower arm

RICER - rest, ice, compress, elevate, refer

Associated Conditions

- Triceps Brachii Tendon Rupture
- Tennis Elbow (Lateral Epicondylitis)
- Golfer's Elbow (Medial Epicondylitis)
- Thrower's Elbow
- Elbow Bursitis (Olecranon Bursitis)

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