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## ACTIVITY 61

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### **Consent and sporting events** (allow 20 minutes)

Consider for yourself what risks a player (and a spectator) consent to when he or she participates in (or attends) a sporting event. Using the internet, please read the decision in the case of *Smoldon v. Whitworth* [1997] PIQR P133, from paragraph E '*Volenti Non Fit Injuria*', available on the internet. **Were you right?**



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### **COMMENT**

A player (and by extension of the same principle a spectator) consents to involvement in sport subject to application of the rules of that sport by the relevant official(s). This is as stated by Bingham LCJ.