

Table 2**Cutaneous squamous cell carcinoma tumour characteristics that influence the risk of recurrence**

| | Low risk | High risk | Very high risk |
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| Tumour size | < 2 cm | 2-4 cm | > 4 cm |
| Tumour site | | Lip, ear, area of previous inflammation | |
| Tumour histology | | | |
| Thickness | < 4 mm, dermis only | 4-6 mm or into fat | > 6 mm or beyond fat |
| Lymphovascular invasion | None | Yes | |
| Perineural invasion | None | Dermis only or < 0.1 mm | Beyond dermis or > 0.1 mm |
| Differentiation | Good/moderate | Poor | |
| Subtype | | | e.g. adenosquamous/ desmoplastic |
| Immune status | Competent | Compromised | |