

Additions to COVID-19 Safety Plans

Required for all COVID-19 Safety Plans following advice from the NSW Government on 16 July.

The table below includes the four items which were added to the NSW Government template COVID-19 Safety Plan on 16 July. The format is similar to the template previously provided by Netball NSW. The below can be copied in to existing COVID-19 Safety Plans or a full new template is available on the Netball NSW COVID-19 Toolkit page on the Netball NSW website here: <https://nsw.netball.com.au/covid-19-toolkit>

It is important to note that the Association should review the 'Actions' column of the table and make any amendments which will reflect how these items are to be implemented. The below is a guide and recommendation.

Wellbeing of staff and visitors	
Requirements	Actions
<p>Ensure processes are in place to exclude participants (including spectators and officials) if they have visited Victoria in the 14 days prior.</p>	<p>We will regularly (weekly) communicate - and require clubs attending our venue to communicate to their members - that any players, team officials, parents/careers and other Association or Club members must not attend training or matches, if they have visited Victoria in the past 14 days.</p> <p>This will be done through a combination of emails, direct communication (ie Team App etc), PA announcements, social media, and signage.</p>
<p>Ensure processes are in place to exclude participants (including spectators and officials) if they have attended any of the reported case locations listed on the NSW Health website (nsw.gov.au/covid-19/latest-news-and-updates).</p>	<p>We will regularly (weekly) communicate - and require clubs attending our venue to communicate to their members - that any players, team officials, parents/careers and other Association or Club members must not attend training or matches, if they have attended a reported case location.</p> <p>We will encourage everyone attending the venue to view the NSW Health website prior to attending to double-check the latest case locations at: https://www.nsw.gov.au/covid-19/latest-news-and-updates</p> <p>This will be done through a combination of emails, direct communication (ie Team App etc), PA announcements, social media, and signage.</p>
<p>Take all reasonable steps to minimise the number of spectators attending community sport events.</p>	<p>Minimal spectators are allowed at the courts. Wherever possible we are limiting entry to one spectator (Parent or guardian) per participant for Junior sport. We understand this is not always possible, but we will endeavor to educate our members to be sensible in these exceptional times. For our senior timeslot where possible we will request that no spectators attend the matches.</p> <p>Spectators not from the same household will be reminded to social distance on the sidelines of all games and in the congregation areas throughout the day. This will be done through PA announcements, social media, direct communication and signage.</p>

If sufficient numbers to field teams cannot be achieved, prioritise delaying the event rather than substituting with people from other teams or from the community.

We will promote and communicate the importance of the wellbeing of our members and have amended our competition rules to suit this situation, such as deeming affected matches a 'draw' rather than a 'forfeit'. We will ensure that teams do not borrow players from other teams to be able to compete in matches.

Wherever possible we will not allow players to substitute into another team and will not punish teams who are unable to play due to COVID-19 restrictions.