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TO: All Clubs
FROM: Alan Marquez
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SUBJECT: Return to Play Guidelines Update

Dear Colleagues

The Queensland government have updated the return to play guidelines. Attached is the full return to play guideline however below is a few highlighted points in this document

Physical Distancing

Under Stage 3, physical contact is permitted among participants on the field of play and where it is part of the activity. The definition of the field of play extends to incorporate the use of change rooms by active participants, allowing the full team and required coaching/medical officers without the occupant density requirements.

At all other times, physical distancing is required by all those involved with or attending the activity.



Hygiene

For participants, coaches, officials, volunteers and spectators, these hygiene practices are required:

- hand washing/sanitising
- cover your coughs and sneezes and properly dispose of tissues, and hand wash immediately after
- not sharing water bottles
- avoid touching your face
- clean equipment after use
- limit touching surfaces
- limit contact between participants including eliminating handshakes, high fives, huddles and celebrations
- do not attend your sport, recreation or fitness activity if you are unwell.



Outdoor activity

Things to consider:

- recommended use of hand sanitiser before using a new piece of shared equipment.
- Contact to only occur as part of training and competition/play as per the rules of the activity. Social distancing to be followed by all participants and all others involved in or attending the activity at all other times.
- Implement changed behaviour standards for participants and spectators, e.g. no high-fives, team huddles, hand shaking.
- Display signage and warnings specific to COVID-19 transmission around the venue.
- Provide hand sanitisers or adequate hand washing facilities for participants and spectators, with signage to outline procedures for before and after equipment use and attendance.
- Manage the use of communal facilities (e.g. showers, change rooms) to avoid gatherings and to undertake regular and required cleaning.
- Undertake additional cleaning of shared equipment and communal areas.

Plan for the physical distancing of spectators, including strategies for managing the flow of people to, from and within the venue.

Changing Rooms

The definition of the field of play extends to incorporate the use of change rooms by active participants, allowing the full team and required coaching/medical officers without the occupant density requirements.

Changing rooms will require additional cleaning before a new team can enter the changing rooms.

Changing rooms will need to provide hand sanitiser for players/coaches/officials

COVID Safe Reporting

Clubs need to continue to register attendance at their clubs. FGC have provided clubs with the QR code signs which should be displayed around the venues for individuals to access.

Clubs should also provide a written register sheet for individuals that do not want to register through the QR code app.

All people attending the venues should register from one of the above forms. This includes player, coaches, volunteers and spectators.

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