



COVID-19 Risk Assessment

Updated in accordance with FA guidelines 24th March

Note as the Government moves through the different steps of their Roadmap and Updated FA guidance is provided this Risk Assessment will be updated

This assessment applies to Outdoor Football activities only

Covid-19 is a highly infectious and dangerous disease. Symptoms can be mild, moderate, severe or fatal. If anyone in your household is either, shielding (Isolating) due to a current health condition, or, is showing corona virus symptoms, your child should not attend training or matches. A resumption of contact play is only achievable if those involved create and maintain a controlled environment that minimises the threat of infection.

Risk in sport cannot be completely eradicated but with caution and care, these risks can be reduced. Each player/parent will need to decide when to return to contact football, based on their own individual circumstances and the arrangements that have been put in place for a safe return. Everyone should self-assess for Covid-19 symptoms before every training session or match and not attend if they have any Covid-19 symptoms.

Hazard/ Task	Who might be harmed	Controls required	Additional controls	Who
Travelling to training sessions or match days	Players Family members Coaches Opposition	Government guidance on travel is that 'stay at home' rule will end on 29 th March, but many restrictions will stay in place. As organised sport can resume, all participants may travel to training and games but should avoid travel at the busiest time and routes, as well as minimising any unnecessary journeys where possible. All participants must follow Government's guidance on safer travel.		
Parking	Players Family members Coaches Opposition	People travelling to training sessions/matches are encouraged to park with social distancing in mind. Where this is not possible please stagger getting in and out of vehicles	Parking advice note to be issued to Parent/Carers Staggered arrivals and departure times	
Local Covid-19 Alert Levels	Players Coaches Family Members Spectators	With the ever-changing situation, additional Government and local guidelines will be followed, maintained and implemented where necessary.		

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First aid	Players Coaches	Normal first aid kit to be provided. A supply of masks to be provided to all coaches if first aid is required. Gloves will be worn when administering first aid in normal practices of good hygiene. For younger players it will be encouraged for family members to initially check the child's injury – with guidance of the coach.		
Spectators	Family members Opposition	No Spectators are allowed at grassroots football however one parent/carer per youth player is permitted to be present One Parent/carer per player to remain in attendance at training session/match but must follow the government COVID-19 19 guidance including social distancing measures		
Hygiene	Players Coaches	All players and coaches are to bring their own hand Sanitizer to training sessions/matches. Players and Coaches to sanitize hands prior, during and after the training session/match. Spitting to be discouraged by all.		
Water	Players	Each player is to bring their own named water bottle.		
Safeguarding	Players Coaches	Normal safeguarding policies apply.		



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Training session	Players Coaches	Competitive match play is permitted, with social distancing in place before and after the session/match and in any breaks during play. Competitive training can take place in an outdoor setting provided this takes place in groups no more than 30 (including coaches). If a group session with one ball is required, no touching the ball with your hands (GK's must wear gloves).		
Cleaning training/match equipment	Players Coaches Family members Opposition Spectators	Training equipment to be disinfected and cleaned before and after session/match – Used Bibs to be washed after every use, and not re-used by different players during session. Players not to touch them. Balls, goalposts, and corner flags to be cleaned during intervals of matches. When ball goes out of play, it should not be retrieved by non-participants and should be retrieved by a playing participant using their feet, where possible.		
Disposing of PPE	Coaches	Used disposable masks/ gloves should be double bagged and either placed in the specific bin on site or they should be stored for 72 hours then disposed of in the normal general waste.		



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Track and Trace	Players Family members Coaches Opposition Spectators	Upon entry at venue, all adults to scan the QR code via their phone NHS App. If this is not possible, then they will need to give their details to the appointed venue/team Covid-19 Representatives.		
Covid-19 Officer	Players Family members Coaches Opposition	The club have nominated a Covid-19 Officer (Emily Key) to ensure compliance including briefing all coaches of the process and procedures.		
Match/Training Congestion	Players Coaches Parents Opposition	Risk of over congestion will be managed by a co-ordinated schedule of match fixtures and training sessions included staggered arrival and departures		
Opposition team	Opposition	Consultation of risks will be held prior to the match day and the match day guidance document shared with them	Safety briefing before all matches to all players and coaches Send briefing note to opposition	
Toilet facilities	Players Family members Coaches Opposition	Emergency WC will be available 30 minutes before and 30 minutes after any training sessions or Matches but no shower facilities or changing rooms will be available. We urge players, parents, and coaches to make sure they use toilet before leaving their house.		

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