COVID-19 SAFETY PLAN

INTRODUCTION

CSNSW Sport has developed the following guidelines to ensure that events are a COVID safe environment for all of our Athletes, Coaches & Managers, Officials and Spectators.

These guidelines are based on the best available evidence and advice to optimise participant and community safety and will be used in conjunction with the directives and guidelines of the Federal and State Government.

Our guiding principles behind these guidelines are to:

- Keep our Community safe and ensure the wellbeing of participants, officials and stakeholders;
- Align with the policies and directions of our State and Federal Government by ensuring physical distancing, hygiene and cleaning and record keeping; and
- Maintain a level of consistency throughout our schools and sporting Community.

The priority must always be the preservation of public health and minimisation of the risk of community transmission. Event participants (this includes players, parents/guardians, coaches, officials, volunteers, spectators and administrators) must play a role in helping to slow the spread of COVID-19. This will be achieved by focusing on the principles of physical distancing, hygiene measures and record keeping.

The guidelines outlined within this document may be modified as changes to public health orders arise. There may also be some more specific guidelines relevant to the venues and dependent upon respective COVID Safe Plans.

Event specific details will be included in the relevant Risk Management Plans.

GUIDELINES FOR THE EVENT

- Ensure Risk Assessment and Management Plan Template has been completed prior to the event. This COVID 19 Safety plan will be part of the Event Risk Management plan.
- At least one COVID Safety Marshall will be present at each event.
- The COVID Marshall will be identifiable by a fluorescent vest and will monitor – attendance numbers, attendance registrations, entry & exit points and disinfecting high use items and locations within the site.
- An attendance register for the event will be recorded and filed for 28 days;
- All players and Officials have their own clearly labelled water bottle and equipment;
- Provide hand sanitizer on entry and exit to all venues
- Ensure that there are Hygiene Stations at the scoring tables and the Admin hub
- Ensure all equipment is cleaned, disinfected before, during and after games;

- Strongly encourage all participants to Shower prior to and after the event (preferably at home) Participants are to arrive ready to compete;
- Limit unnecessary social gatherings;
- At the events all merchandise stalls will be using cashless transactions;
- There shall be an expectation that Players/ Officials and Spectators DO NOT ATTEND IF THEY ARE FEELING UNWELL (this includes if they are displaying any signs/symptoms of cold, flu, or any other illnesses).
- Should a person attempt to gain entry to the event that is unwell, the COVID Marshall shall refuse entry, move the person away from the entry point and provide the details of the nearest testing location.
- Actively promote the downloading of the COVID-safe app for their smartphone;
- Keep to the approved numbers of people for the designated area;
- Advertise COVID Safety plan and key points on social media – before and during the event.
- Where possible, have separate entry and exit points.
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SPECIFIC GUIDELINES FOR PLAYERS / COACHES & OFFICIALS

- Arrive at the venue dressed and ready to play or officiate;
- Players and Officials must have their names marked off at the designated check in point, allocated/Diocesan managers to mark a roll and submit – all participants will be registered for the event on the CSNSW Sport portal;
- Players, Coaches and Officials must not spit – any need to spit must be done into a tissue or bin for easy disposal;
- Physical greetings and celebrations should be discouraged – i.e. hugging, kissing, handshakes, high fives etc, encourage elbow tap;
- Maintain high levels of hygiene if wearing a mouthguard – limit touching and sanitize regularly, do not share;
- Teams are to bring their own equipment;
- There is to be no sharing of whistles – each Official must have their own whistle;
- Players and Officials should depart the venue as soon as possible following the completion of the event;

SPECIFIC GUIDELINES FOR SPECTATORS

- (Only one spectator per player permitted (pending Health Orders);
- All spectators will be required to sign-on to an Attendance Register or scan the QR code provided on arrival at the entry point;
- All spectators will be required to adhere to the social distancing guidelines of 1.5m where possible – people from same household are not required to distance;
- No spectator will be permitted in competition area. Spectator area to be separated.

GUIDELINES FOR FACILITIES

The CSNSW Sport events will be conducted at community public venues as such we will expect to operate to operate within their respective guidelines and jurisdictions.

In saying this the Management of CSNSW Sport will address the following:

- The venue has adopted a COVID-19 Safety Plan;
- Specific guidelines in reference to event location will be covered off within the respective Event Information and Risk Management Plans. - i.e. control measures, maximum crowd capacity, entry/exit points etc;
- A COVID-19 Safety Marshall is present at venues to assist with entry, check in, social distancing and hygiene;
- Routing for entry and exit points to be clearly marked on map in program or participant information;
- Physical Social Distancing indicators to be displayed at all indoor and outdoor venues;
- The use of visual aids throughout facilities to encourage good hygiene practices and to assist in 'stopping the spread'. CSNSW Sport will display their own hygiene banner near competition area;
- Toilets, change-rooms, team areas and equipment has been thoroughly cleaned prior to the commencement of the event and that these standards are maintained throughout the event. The bathrooms to be fully equipped with soap and paper towel;
- Hand Sanitizer is available on arrival and departure and that there are multiple sanitizing stations located in and around the facility.
- Information about the compliant entry conditions will be provided at the relevant entry points.