

Return to Community Netball

SUMMARY NOTES FOR ASSOCIATIONS, CLUBS AND TEAMS

Important note: this information is a summary of Netball Victoria's Return to Community Netball guidelines, provides a snapshot only. This information should be read along with the Return to Community Netball guidelines which are available at <https://vic.netball.com.au/resources-1>

COVIDSAFE PLAN

- Every club will need to complete a COVIDSafe Plan. The template is available here <https://vic.netball.com.au/resources-1>
- Clubs with a venue capacity of more than 500 people, need to publish the COVIDSafe Plan on the club website.
- Only one COVIDSafe Plan needs to be completed. The Footy Club and the Netball Club do not need to complete separate COVIDSafe Plans, however we recommended that you sit down and complete the document together.

SPECTATORS

- Spectators are permitted. Spectators must comply with capacity limits and gathering restrictions.
- Gathering limits are different for indoor spaces and outdoor venues. Keep an eye on current guidelines for the most up-to-date information.
- Remind spectators to maintain 1.5 metre physical distance.

CAPACITY LIMITS

- Outdoor venues have a capacity limit of 1,000 people, subject to the density quotient of one person per two square meters.
- Any event with over 1,000 attendees will be classed as a public event and clubs will need to submit a COVIDSafe Event Plan for public health approval. This process may take up to 4-weeks. More information is available here <https://vic.netball.com.au/resources-1>
- The capacity of indoor venues and indoor spaces is subject to the density quotient of one person per four square meters. This includes changerooms, toilets, canteens, social rooms (especially after the match).
- All clubs must measure their changerooms, canteen and social rooms to calculate the maximum number of people allowed in each space.
- Clubs must display signage to indicate the maximum number of people permitted in an indoor space. Capacity limit signs are available here <https://vic.netball.com.au/resources-1>
- Use floor marking and signage to direct and inform people.

RECORDING ATTENDANCE

- Clubs must collect and maintain a record of attendance for all participants, essential support personnel spectators, volunteers.
- Netball Victoria recommends the use of the Service Victoria QR Code.
- Children may be dropped off at training or on competition days and they may not have their own phone. One person can use the QR Code to sign in on behalf of another individual.

CLEANING AND SANITISING

- Limit sharing of equipment between teams.
- Clean and sanitise equipment between each use, including team and official's benches.
- Regularly clean and sanitise frequently touched surfaces.

DIVIDE AND CONQUER

- Share the load. Everyone has a role to play. Encourage a level of personal responsibility.
- Allocate roles and responsibilities amongst people within your club. Make it clear what you are asking people to do.
- Invite people to help. Be specific with the role you are asking them to do and how much time it will take them.

CONSISTENCY ACROSS CLUBS

- Strongly encourage all clubs within a League or Association to adopt the same practices so everyone is on the same page. This includes using the same QR code system, having the same sanitising requirements, and the same roles for coaches and umpires.
- Knowing what to expect when you attend an away venue is important.

FACE MASKS

- Everyone needs to carry a mask; masks must be worn at outdoor venues when physical distancing cannot be maintained.
- Things can change quickly. Keep an eye on current guidelines for the most up-to-date information.

CLUB TRAINING

- The Return to Community Netball guidelines apply to both competition and training environments.
- All processes should be applied to club training as well as on competition days.

MULTI-USE VENUES

- Many venues across Victoria are shared, multi-use venues (footy-netball, footy-netball-hockey, caravan park etc).
- Multi-use venues with more than one separated area like a football oval and a caravan park, can operate all of the separated facilities in accordance with the health directions and density requirements for that particular area.
- Ensure that the entry and exit points do not become congested and people can maintain physical distancing
- Where practical, avoid groups crossing over and mingling.
- It may be difficult to manage crowds at non-gated venues, or open venues and reserves that do not have clear entry points. Consider the following:
 - Provide QR Codes in as many locations as possible throughout the venue.
 - Clearly communicate the restrictions and the expectations through social media channels.
 - Display signage throughout the venue.
 - Clearly mark walkways and paths directing pedestrians or traffic.
 - Use barriers to mark off or separate areas.