



## **Grass Roots Club Safeguarding Risk Assessment (2020-2021) COVID 19 UPDATE**



**The Risk Assessments below relate to COVID 19 and the safeguarding of Players Managers Volunteers and Spectators of grass roots football as advised by the latest FA Guidance on starting out-door competitive grass roots football.**

**The attached Risk Assessment should be read in conjunction with the latest Governments COVID 19 guidance and is based on the Governments Framework for a return to recreational team sport.**

**Further, these Risk Assessments relate to all member teams of Junior Reds FC both Girls and Boys and Senior teams, and are generic to and should also be read in conjunction with Junior Reds Home and Training Grounds Risk Assessments which are located at :**

### **Match grounds:**

Bexleyheath Academy  
Harris Academy, Eltham  
John Roan Playing field  
Greenwich University  
Coldharbour Leisure Centre  
Penhill Park  
Danson Youth Centre  
Samuel Montague Sports Ground  
King Henry School, Erith

### **Training Grounds:**

Bexleyheath Academy  
Welling School  
Harris Academy, Eltham,  
Townley Grammar School  
Pelham Primary School  
Mayplace Primary School  
Goals Soccer Centre  
Hall Place  
Danson Park  
Footscray Rugby Club  
One Space, Kidbrooke



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BEFORE ACTIVITY				
TASK	HAZARDS IDENTIFIED	RISK: Low/Medium /high	CONTROLS REQUIRED	ADDITIONAL CONTROLS
COVID-19 protocols shared & practised with committee/volunteer staff/spectators/coaches/managers	-Club personnel not aware or up to date with FA and government guidelines	High	-Guidance issued to club personnel via Committee meetings -Always remind spectators to maintain social distancing	-Information issued to all club personnel via email -Information added to club website and social media pages
COVID-19 protocols/briefings shared with players	-Players not aware of or up to date with FA and government guidelines	High	-Guidance issued to players at training briefings	-Information issued to all players via email -Information added to club website and social media pages
Participants encouraged to self-check before travelling to every training session and match	-Individuals transfer virus during training session or match	High	-If player/individual is symptomatic they should stay at home and self-isolate for the following reasons: -New cough -Fever/temperature (Above 37.8c) -Unusually short of breath during exercise or at rest -Loss of smell/taste	-If in doubt individual should not attend training or matches -Follow PHE guidelines



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<b>Register of those who attend sessions (to aid NHS track and trace if needed)</b>	-Inability to identify individuals infected with the COVID-19 virus	High	-Attendance register put in place to collect name and contact information on participants at both training sessions and matches (including spectators) -Complete privacy notice and ensure members are aware of it	-Follow NHS track & Trace protocols
<b>Collate relevant medical information in respect of participants</b>	-Player becomes ill during training session or match	High	-Hold Emergency contact numbers for all participants -Managers to discuss with players at training sessions and matches, any changes in their existing conditions -Player to ensure any medication that may be required (e.g. Asthma inhaler) are available at training session or match	-Regular checks to ensure information stored is up to date and contact information on new members is collected
<b>Travel to training/matches: Drop off arrangements</b>	-Players or drivers may breach distancing guidelines and congregate	Medium	-Players encouraged to travel on foot or by bike -Drivers encouraged to remain near vehicle -Maintain social distancing guidelines	-Encourage drivers/players to use hand sanitiser -Discourage individuals from car sharing



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<b>Personal Hygiene Measures: PPE (Personal Protective Equipment) For all participants</b>	-Individuals transfer virus during training session or match	High	-Handwashing/hand sanitisers to be provided (or brought by individuals) and used at training sessions and matches -Disposable gloves to be provided (or brought by individuals) *where required -Face masks to be provided (or brought by individuals) *where required	-Encourage all individuals to use hand sanitiser -Maintain social distancing guidelines
<b>Changing Rooms and Toilets</b>	-No access to changing room facilities	Medium	-Players should arrive changed and ready to take part in training session or match	-Where possible players should be given their own kit prior to the session/match
<b>Match fee and training session payments</b>	-Transfer of virus via cash payments	High	-Contactless payments where possible to be made available via PayPal/card machine/bank transfer	-Collect relevant bank details beforehand for payments via BACS -Consider using the FA Matchday App
<b>Meet Times</b>	-Social distancing guidelines could be breached with large numbers of participants congregating	High	-Meet up times should be staggered/adjusted to avoid time spent congregating at venues	-Encourage players to go straight to pitch side or training area





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<b>DURING TRAINING &amp; MATCH PLAY</b>				
<b>TASK</b>	<b>HAZARDS IDENTIFIED</b>	<b>RISK: Low/Medium /high</b>	<b>CONTROLS REQUIRED</b>	<b>ADDITIONAL CONTROLS</b>
<b>Are participants presenting covid-19 symptoms during the training/match</b>	-Transfer of virus via symptoms	High	-If a player/individual becomes symptomatic during the activity they should immediately remove themselves from the session and return home	-Self isolate for 14 days -Book covid-19 test within 7 days -Report to NHS Track and Trace System
<b>Player equipment at training and on match days (including cones/corner flags &amp; poles/nets and balls)</b>	-Transfer of virus via equipment	High	-All equipment to be disinfected before and after use - Ball handling should be kept to a minimum with most contact via a boot and the ball disinfected in breaks of play -Sharing of kit and equipment should be avoided -Players to bring own named water bottles, sun cream etc -Managers/coaches to ensure players have their own shin pads/boots etc	-Disinfectant wipes available at training and match day where possible -Club to take responsibility for checking and cleaning equipment
<b>During play</b>	-Transfer of virus	High	-Players should not spit and avoid shouting or raising their voices when facing each other -Goal celebrations should be discouraged	-Club code of conduct document -Social distancing should be observed in any breaks in play



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			-Chewing gum should be discouraged	
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<b>Spectator Groups</b>	-Transfer of virus due to congregation in one area	Medium	-Spectator groups should be limited to 6 person gathering limits and spread out in line with government guidance	-Always maintain social distancing guidelines
<b>AFTER ACTIVITY</b>				
TASK	HAZARD IDENTIFIED	RISK: Low/Medium /high	CONTROLS REQUIRED	ADDITIONAL CONTROLS
<b>Maintaining Hygiene</b>	-Transfer of virus	High	-Hands should be washed at the earliest opportunity and personal equipment wiped down with disinfectant	
<b>Travel from training/matches:</b> <i>Pick up arrangements</i>	-Players or drivers may breach distancing guidelines and congregate	Medium	-Players encouraged to travel on foot or by bike -Drivers encouraged to remain near vehicle -Maintain social distancing guidelines	-Encourage drivers/players to use hand sanitiser
<b>Access to changing rooms/ showers</b>	-Changing rooms are an increased risk of transmission	High	-Where possible changing rooms should remain closed -Players should be encouraged to shower at home	-Follow government guidelines



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Player attire following training session and match days	-Transfer of virus via kit/bibs/GK gloves etc	High	-All kit/bibs/GK gloves etc should be taken home and individuals encouraged to wash their own kit	-Where this is not possible, the person handling the kit must wash/sanitise their hands immediately after handling soiled kit
TASK	HAZARD IDENTIFIED	RISK: Low/Medium /high	CONTROLS REQUIRED	ADDITIONAL CONTROLS
Leaving Training/Match Day	-Transfer of virus due to groups congregating	Medium	-Continue to maintain social distancing (including car parks or any facilities) -Use of club houses, hospitality facilities must adhere to government guidelines and follow the traffic-flow system the club or facility provider has put in place -Leave the training/match day venue quickly	-Self isolate for 14 days -Book covid-19 test within 7 days -Report to NHS Track and Trace System
Ensure that activity spaces are cleared, and waste disposed of safely	-Potential transmission of the virus to other user groups		-Team staff should clean and dispose of all rubbish from side-line areas when departing sessions using dedicated PPE and refuse sacks to prevent risk of transmission with other user groups	



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