



NORTHERN SUBURBS NETBALL ASSOCIATION
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COVID-19 NSNA COMPETITION REQUIREMENTS AND FAQs JUNE 2020

COVID19 - CLUB MANDATORY REQUIREMENTS

- Patches - clubs are to provide 2 sets of patches in their kit bag - a 'home' and 'away' set as NSNA will not be loaning out patches.
- Sanitising/antibacterial wipes to wipe down match ball (pre-game and at ¼ and half time breaks) and post pads (post game) as discussed with managers and the Competition Convenor.
- Hand sanitiser in kit bag.
- Sanitised match ball.
- Players to have individual, clearly marked drink bottles.
- Enter, play, leave.

Notes:

- There will not be a canteen or BBQ.
- There will be a coffee van selling limited food.

COVID -19 FAQs

See below some answers to commonly asked questions. Answers have been sourced from Netball NSW directly and from the Netball Australia website.

Note there are no rules preventing people umpiring after playing, or coaching two teams, or playing club and reps etc. And of course some people will need to be there for the whole day. In all of these circumstances we would simply be recommending that good hygiene and distancing are practiced, plus staying away if unwell.

The guidelines provided by Netball NSW and the NSW Government are exactly that – guidelines to keep people safe. For the vast majority they will be applicable. There will be some exceptions and so long as those people are adhering to the Public Health Order (which is the 'law' in this instance) then everyone is acting responsibly.

How many people from my team are allowed to come to our game?

It's encouraged that spectators are kept to the minimum as such, NSNA will implement the following measures:

- For Junior and Seniors a maximum of 12 people total per team are allowed at games - this includes players, coach AND spectators.
- For NetSetGo - a maximum of 15 people total per team are allowed at games - this includes players, coach AND spectators.
- You might consider a roster system for spectators.
- We may change the total number allowed based on guidelines and strength of compliance with recording data.

Will you be collecting data of participants and spectators? If so, how will I register my attendance to ensure I'm compliant with Covid Contact Tracing?

Yes. Your team manager or captain will mark your attendance off in their TEAM app as well as add the first name and telephone number of any spectators attending on the day. The details of all players/non-players are in the myNetball database or held by affiliated clubs.



Will you have hand sanitiser available at the courts? Yes. We also suggest some for your team.

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How can we protect and keep our elderly and at risk volunteers, participants and spectators safe?

Our advice is that any person/s over the age of 70 or those that have underlying medical conditions may consider discussing their individual situation with their local doctor (GP) in relation to their safety in large groups. It is the individual's responsibility and choice to access this information to assist with decision making. We can help by adopting excellent social distancing and hygiene protocols to support all to be safe.

With the games and the changed times, does it allow for the teams to warm-up prior to play?

Not very much time at all – we are following the Netball Australia and NSW guidelines of 'come prepared to play'.

Is a 20min gap sufficient time for people to leave and the next wave in?

In a normal season we have 6 minutes between games so 20 minutes between games is huge. To give some context by midway through the first quarter crowds have cleared and that is after a visit to the BBQ or canteen (neither of which will be operating). Also we believe by restricting numbers per team (12 max) will encourage more carpooling as there is less opportunity for parents to be spectators.

Is a 20min gap sufficient to clean everything before the next wave of players?

All teams provide their own ball – the only piece of equipment that will need to be cleaned between rounds are the post pads – this will be the duty of the first team on the scoresheet to wipe each post pad before they depart. Bathrooms will be cleaned and sanitised following each time slot.

Can someone Umpire a game if they have just played in the timeslot prior or are due to play in the next timeslot?

Yes. As per the guidelines, they're encouraged to wash or sanitise their hands and change their clothes prior to moving onto the next game.

Can someone coach 2 or more teams?

Yes. As per the guidelines, they're encouraged to wash or sanitise their hands and change their shirt prior to moving onto the next game.

I have a child who plays early in the morning and then another later in the day - can I return to the courts?

Yes. As per the guidelines, you will need to register your attendance via the Team Manager/Captain and are encouraged to wash or sanitise your hands and change their shirt/top prior to returning to the venue.

Will there be designated entry and exit points on Competition days?

Yes. All entrance and exit points will be clearly marked on premise.

Indoor courts will be accessed via fire stairs closest to Small Street and the Exit closest to the tower. Stairs are to be utilised as per normal with a 'keep left' policy.

Where do umpires sign on? Are umpires included in team numbers?

As per regular season, umpires are required to sign on for the timeslot at the rooms. No, umpires are not included in team numbers.

Will we be doing temperature checks on all who enter? NO. People are encouraged to stay home if they are unwell.

What about those of us that are there all day? Is this permitted or do we need to leave and return?

Yes you are permitted but each club will be limited to a maximum of 4 club officials.



If a player needs to play up, does that mean they are then unavailable to play for their own team as they are only allowed to play and go?

No. As per the guidelines, they're encouraged to wash or sanitise their hands and change their shirt prior to moving onto the next game.

Should I download the CovidSafe App?

It is strongly recommended that all participants install the COVIDSAFE App to ensure that any active cases may be tracked and traced if they should arise.

What if a player or spectator tests positive for Covid-19 immediately following a competition match/training?

The NSW Dept of Health will contact all those marked as present on competition day. We will adhere to any requirements, including the possible suspension of further competition as required by the Government.

What if one of our participants suspects they have Covid19?

They should not attend the venue/training and should contact their local doctor (GP) or ring the COVID hotline for advice and next steps.

Are we liable if there's a positive test in our club or team?

In taking reasonable precautions to prevent the spread of COVID-19 within our environment and the wider community, including but not limited to, strictly following the advice and recommendations of Netball Australia, our local State/Territory Government, and the Australian Government we are doing the best we can.