



EASTERN SUBURBS DISTRICT RUGBY FOOTBALL CLUB

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Easts Match Day Protocol Effective 10/07/2020

East's Rugby Club adhere to current Public Health Orders as they apply to Community sport and also to any restrictions as regards licensing requirements for the serving of alcohol and food.

East's Rugby Club ensure that our members are aware of the entry requirements at games and that host clubs will manage risks related to Covid-19 in accordance with current Covid-19 Public Health orders.

PERSONNEL:

1. All Match day staff, players, and match officials must have their details recorded in the event contact tracing is required. Similarly video personnel and broadcast personnel must supply contact details to the host club. This recording may be via digital means eg scanning of entry cards and capture of details or by recording details in a spreadsheet which is retained by the host club or via another method agreed to by both clubs.
2. All spectators at all Premiership matches held in enclosed grounds eg those charging entry and with perimeter fencing must have their contact details recorded. The host club is responsible for the organization of this and may utilize on line booking, season passes with intrinsic QR codes or other methods that ensure contact details are captured.
3. The host club retains the right to restrict entry to any person who refuses to furnish contact details as required. All attendees should be encouraged to download the Covid Safe app. Staff, players, volunteers and visitors who display symptoms of Covid-19 will be excluded from the venue.
4. The host club may restrict certain areas to designated persons to ensure social distancing is maintained.
5. All clubs must ensure that their players and staff are aware of the health requirements and that any player or staff who is unwell, has a fever, cough, sore throat or shortness of breath must seek medical attention and NOT attend any match being conducted by Sydney Rugby Union.
6. Host club Match Day Manager must ensure only authorized personnel are permitted access to the playing enclosure.
7. The Host club must have a Covid-19 Coordinator who is aware of the current Public Health order(s) and can ensure that all requirements are complied with.

THE VENU:

1. Host clubs must calculate the maximum number of persons who can be accommodated both in open air unseated areas and in covered grandstands utilizing the 4 square metre limitation per person. (Unless this restriction has been relaxed prior to commencement of the competition or other restrictions are in place)
2. Host clubs may cordon off by either visible barricades or security personnel certain areas to ensure that social distancing requirements are adhered to.
3. The host club must minimize the mingling of both spectators and participants in canteen areas and other places where crowds may gather. Signage and/or floor markers are to be utilized to ensure social distancing in queues at gate entry and at canteens, bars etc. and near "player tunnels".
4. Access and use of change rooms must be regulated to avoid overcrowding. Opposition teams should be advised of access times and appropriate signage re capacity should be displayed. The use of change rooms should be discouraged if at all possible. Team assembly to be facilitated in an outdoor area.
5. The venue must have the following signage, as a minimum, displayed for each match: Maximum capacity of venue and various areas within. That the venue has a Covid-19 Coordinator appointed. The requirement for social distancing and that persons with relevant symptoms eg fever etc are not to enter. That contact details are required for all attendees. The need for correct hand washing and hygiene protocols in all bathrooms and change rooms. Any other signage that will assist to ensure a Covid safe environment.
6. Host clubs must ensure that: hand sanitizer is readily available at entry points and at various points within the venue. all bathrooms are stocked with soap and paper towels and these are replenished during the day as required.
7. The venue must be cleaned before the commencement of the day and bathrooms and change rooms stocked with accessible cleaning equipment such as disinfectant wipes, disposable gloves, soap, paper towels etc. Team managers to be encouraged to ensure touch surfaces in change rooms wiped with disinfectant cloths.



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East's COVID-19 GYM Protocol Effective 13/06/2020

GAME PROTOCOLS:

1. The host club must ensure that adequate signage is placed at the entry to change rooms to minimize overcrowding and in bathroom facilities to ensure health/hygiene practices are noted.
2. Match day balls must be placed with the Match Day manager and only used by the relevant teams and their players.
3. The interchange bench (reserve seats) must be kept clear between matches and the use restricted to the relevant team members.
4. Only the teams playing the match, their support staff and the match officials are permitted entry to the playing field. There are to be no "player tunnels" so as to reduce the risk of cross contamination.
5. All teams should have as part of their team kit a supply of disinfectant wipes.
6. The sharing of water bottles is expressly forbidden. Water bottles should be clearly marked so players can identify their bottle. If a water runner/medical staff needs to administer water during play the water must be squirted directly into the player's mouth...there is to be no direct contact between the player and that water bottle.
7. Team managers are to ensure that dressing rooms do not become congested or overcrowded or not utilized if at all possible. Player access to be restricted to the one team and the team staff only and to the limit required under the regulations. No spectators /non staff are permitted in the change rooms at any time.
8. Team staff must ensure that all playing equipment and team apparel is removed from change rooms and safely stored.
9. At the conclusion of the match teams and staff must vacate the playing area and remove any equipment, apparel and used tape from the area.
10. The Host club must make available, if required, a clean area for ASADA staff to administer drug tests. This area should have drinking water available and be a private area away from access to the public.
11. For matches that are being broadcast access is to be given to those personnel for the recording of the match and for player/coach interviews. Access to the dressing rooms may also be required at agreed times. The Host Club General Manager and/or Match Day Manager will coordinate access.
12. Field access may be given to accredited photographers who are in receipt of an SRU issued media pass and who are wearing a media bib. They are also subject to social distancing requirements.

POST MATCH:

Any Club that is made aware of a player or staff member who returns a positive result for Covid-19 subsequent to attending an SRU training session or match must follow the following procedure:

Club Communication:

If a Rugby Club is informed of a suspected/positive case the Club President or Secretary should follow the below steps:

- Contact your Member Union and Competition Manager who will then inform Rugby Australia (RA).
- Notify your club Board/Committee and keep them informed throughout the process
- If not already done inform the local Health authority of the suspected/confirmed positive case.
- Stay in contact with the affected person via phone, email, etc to ensure their wellbeing.
- Gather information on the persons past interactions with the Club over the past 14 days and particularly the previous 24 hours prior to symptoms occurring.
- Make record of any interactions with other club members:
 - Who the suspected player/member has interacted with
 - How they interacted (face-to-face, physical contact etc)
 - Where and in what environment (indoor, outdoor, density of gathering)
 - Duration of interactions
- Once the above is identified, document any club members who interacted with the suspected player/member (include first name, last name, contact number, email address and environment which the contact occurred).
- With assistance from Member Unions/RA notify all members/players who have had interactions with the suspected player/member
- Designate one person from your Club to be the contact with Rugby Au and NSWRU for all media communications.

Full information on COVID-19 Isolation Guide:

https://www.health.gov.au/sites/default/files/documents/2020/03/coronavirus-covid-19-isolation-guidance_2.pdf

Further information:

- For the latest advice, information and resources visit www.health.gov.au
- Call the National Coronavirus Health Information Line on 1800 020 080. It operates 24 hours a day, seven days a week. If you require translating or interpreting services, call 131 450.
- The phone number of your state or territory public health agency is available at www.health.gov.au/state-territory-contacts