

CRICKET VICTORIA WEEKLY COVID-19 UPDATE (Sept 26-Oct 1)

1. Key CV actions over the past week

- i. Continue to keep abreast of any changes to the State Government position as it relates to sport / cricket
- ii. Launch VERSION 2 of the editable plans, upload the CV pdf and circulate widely
- iii. Developed and uploaded new additional resources (training session guide, COVID-19 Officer register, 40+ FAQs, playing conditions guide etc.)
- iv. Established new website landing page on CV website with all key content - <https://www.cricketvictoria.com.au/clubs-support/covid-19/>
- v. Addressed latest update to the Metro Stakeholder Forum on Wednesday night (approx. 250 attendees)
- vi. Update Peak Bodies and respond to various queries as they arise
- vii. Respond to regular questions from Associations and Clubs Ongoing connection to LGA's to seek support for CV editable COVID-19 template
- viii. 4th meeting of Premier Cricket COVID-19 Working Group – including all PC clubs

2. New information over the past week

i. Nets open in Melbourne – for public use (in line with current restrictions)

The Premier confirmed on Tuesday that cricket nets can be opened for community use. SRV has confirmed that training can't start until "Step 3" (*hopefully for Melbourne from October 19 onwards – but subject to <5 case numbers*). The current SRV wording for Step 2 is – "*Community sport training and competition cannot occur*".

As such the message for Step 2 in Melbourne is as follows:

"A household (or up to 5 people from 2 households) can meet outdoors for exercise or recreation for up to 2 x 1 hour sessions per day – within 5km from home / work. This includes using cricket ovals and nets. Training cannot commence yet."

3. Ongoing advocacy / clarity being sought by CV from State Government

- i. Access to school ovals (currently ruled out by Department for Education & Training in guidance notes to schools until further notice)
- ii. Confirmation of DHHS position re: umpire requirement to wear a face mask whilst the match is in progress
- iii. Group sizes for training in "Step 3" (currently 10 - ideally 11+)
- iv. Space between groups per oval (currently 2 plus net group - ideally 4 + 'net' group)
- v. When wicket tables can officially commence preparation in Melbourne (& permit solution for club based volunteers)
- vi. Clarity of whether a paid cricket coach can cross the metro / regional border for work purposes (subject to work permit)

N.B.: No State Government decisions have been reached on these items yet

4. Current planned actions for CV next week

- i. Ongoing discussions with the State Government, LGA's etc.
- ii. Umpires COVID-19 webinars to be promoted & held (Wed 7th: 12.15pm and 6pm)
- iii. Planning for coaches COVID-19 webinar (likely Wed 14th)
- iv. Commence early draft of VERSION 3 Plans for expected release mid-late October
- v. Commence development of Premier Cricket specific COVID-19 plans

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