

## CRICKET VICTORIA WEEKLY COVID-19 UPDATE (Sept 19-25)

### 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. Advocacy to State Government and Cricket Australia on various items
- iii. Launch VERSION 1 of the editable plans, upload the CV pdf and circulate widely
- iv. Commence draft of VERSION 2 due to be launched on Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup>
- v. Hosted 4 x COVID-19 webinars (2 x Metro & 2 x Regional) with over 1,000 registrations. Regional Sat morning & Thursday night. Metro Thurs lunchtime & Thurs evening
- vi. Update Peak Bodies and respond to various queries as they arise
- vii. Respond to regular questions from Associations and Clubs

### 2. New information over the past week

- i. **Spectator group** limitations (the initial ruling from SRV announced of No spectators at senior cricket on Sept 17<sup>th</sup> has been overturned following CV advocacy. We are awaiting the new DHHS rulings due Monday to adjust for the VERSION 2 plan
- ii. **Equipment sharing** is now possible – subject to cleaning protocols (detailed in VERSION 2). Initially banned by CA and silent at State Government level. A great result as this would have caused major challenges / costs – especially at junior level

### 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. Seeking exemption for umpires to have a face covering as optional whilst the match is in progress – on OHS grounds
- iii. Seeking an increase to the group sizes for training from 10 to 11
- iv. Seeking an increase to the number of groups per oval from 2 to 4 for Under 12 (aligned to the age for face masks use)
- v. When any form of training can commence in Melbourne
- vi. When wickets can commence preparation in Melbourne (& whether a permit will be required)
- vii. 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. Resource timeline – VERSION 2

- i. The Premier will announce changes on Sunday 27<sup>th</sup>. DHHS are likely to release their detailed rulings on Monday 28<sup>th</sup>. We will review the rulings and our draft content to ensure they align and currently plan to have the new VERSION 2 released by c.o.b. on Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup>. Accuracy will take priority over speed to release though.

### 5. Current planned actions for CV next week

- a. VERSION 2 release
- b. Ongoing advocacy on the above matters
- c. Set up Umpire specific COVID-19 webinars (likely 2 sessions on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup>)

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