

CRICKET VICTORIA COVID-19 UPDATE #22 (March 4)

With the summer cricket season now coming towards a close for most teams and finals now upon us, Cricket Victoria has received some enquiries in respect to hosting Association & Club presentations in a COVID-19 safe manner. Please see below some guidance based on some of these recent questions.

Association & Club Presentation events

How many people can attend a function?

Ultimately the number of people is based on the size of the room / outdoor area. As long as you are using the QR code system for check in / check out, the current maximum number of people per room / outdoor area is limited to 1 person per 2m² (or 1 per 4m² if not using the QR code system). For example, a club using the QR code system and wanting to host in an indoor social area at the club that is 15m long x 5m wide (75m²) can have a total of 37 in the room at any one time. Having pre-set times for teams (or age groups) may be required or hosting some presentations outdoors as this space is far larger to cater for more people under the 1 person per 2m² rule. The density poster template via the COVID-19 section of CV website should be used to highlight the maximum number of people for each indoor space. - <https://www.cricketvictoria.com.au/wp-content/uploads/2020/09/Attendance-Capacity-Poster.pdf>

N.B.: Each space has its own capacity limit – e.g. a 3m x 2m kitchen (6m²) could have 3 people in this space in addition to the number in the separate social area.

What could we do to make it more COVID-19 safe if hosting at our club?

- Ensure that you stick to density limits and consider splitting presentations up to minimise large numbers being present at the same time
- Ensure that QR codes are visible and encouraged to be used
- Avoid share plates of food (e.g. quarter sandwich plates, cut fruit plates) as multiple people could be touching food then consumed by others and similarly avoid using drink options where multiple people could be touching the drink dispenser
- Have plenty of hand sanitiser available and plenty of signage up
- Remind attendees of the need to be socially distant or wear masks if they can't
- Ensure plenty of soap in the toilets and toilets are cleaned before and after the session
- If possible, have separate room entry and exit points to minimise congregation upon entry / exits
- Minimise the time that people are within 1.5m from others they don't live with – e.g. space seats out, coach to avoid getting all players in a tight huddle to listen to a speech, limit time in close proximity when handing out trophies, medals, taking photos etc.
- Maximise the use of outdoor space – e.g. those that have an electronic scoreboard could consider using this for an outdoor presentation with powerpoint slides and bring their own chair / bean bag
- Potentially limit attendees to coaches, players, officials and a maximum of 1 parent per junior player if space is an issue. Could some parents, grandparents etc dial in to watch via zoom?

Where can we find out more specific information based on our circumstances?

Speak to the venue owner (e.g. council or local business / function centre) to discuss options / compliance requirements based on your needs &/or review the latest advice from DHHS including via the coronavirus website - <https://www.coronavirus.vic.gov.au/how-we-live>

Best wishes for those clubs / teams in finals and for successful upcoming presentations.

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