

## CRICKET VIC COVID-19 BEST PRACTICE GUIDE V2 – as at Nov 26 '21

Clubs are required to meet/exceed current State Government direction and any requirements from the local facility owner/manager (e.g. council, school, university). Cricket Victoria has developed a range of guides, FAQs and posters to assist clubs consider their options via <https://www.cricketvictoria.com.au/clubs-support/covid-19/>

Should a COVID positive case attend a cricket event, (training, match, meeting or social activity), the Department for Health will likely provide guidance regarding who may be deemed a close contact (needing to test and isolate until receiving a negative result) or who simply need to monitor for symptoms. This decision will be based on assessing the risk exposure as **low, medium, high** noting the general isolation rules in place, the vaccination status of people involved and the practices in place by the club at the relevant 'exposure event'.

### WHAT THE DHHS MAY DIRECT FOR POTENTIAL 'CLOSE CONTACTS'

LOW RISK (Not close contact)	Likely to <b>RECOMMEND</b> that people <b>MONITOR</b> for symptoms and test if symptomatic
MEDIUM RISK (Close contact)	Likely to <b>RECOMMEND</b> that people <b>TEST &amp; isolate</b> until receiving a negative result
HIGH RISK (Close contact)	Likely to <b>REQUIRE</b> that people <b>TEST &amp; isolate</b> until receiving a negative result

### TOP TIPS THAT CLUBS SHOULD CONSIDER TO REDUCE THEIR RISK EXPOSURE

In addition to simply meeting current requirements surrounding QR code check-in, density limits, vaccination requirements etc. the following are tips that clubs should consider. Remember: quality protocols = reduced likelihood of the virus spreading and increased chances of DHHS confirming a low risk or medium risk event.

SOME TIPS	BEST PRACTICE	GOOD PRACTICE
# 1 tip: Stay outside	- Stay outdoors and stay 1.5m from others at all times (before, during & after cricket)	- Spend less than 15 minutes indoors
Vaccination	- All players, volunteers & umpires are fully vaccinated	- Strong encouragement for vaccination and any single dose / unvaccinated people involved comply with relevant directions
Functions / meetings	- Postponed at present, held virtually or outdoors only	- Held in accordance with any applicable vaccination / density rules
Symptoms known	- Many posters up. Regular reminders to stay away, get tested & isolate until negative test received	- Posters up and reminders conducted about requirements
Indoor: Change rooms / social areas	- Only vaccinated players / coaches allowed in - No team meetings held indoors - Nobody spends more than 15 minutes at a time indoors with another person - Closed for training nights	- Unvaccinated spectators disallowed in indoor areas - Ensure that time spent indoors is less than 15 minutes
On field	- No physical contact at all (no high fives, handshakes or team huddles)	- Physical contact minimised (elbow / fist bumps post game only)
Food / drink	- Consumed outdoors only - BYO - Vaccinated volunteers serving in the canteen	- Consumed indoors but people spend less than 15 minutes indoors - No share plates of food (i.e. people not touching the same food plate / cordial container)
QR codes	- Several check-in posters in place indoor and out - Regular reminders - Closely monitor checks-in every time - Regular spot audits of phones	- Posters in place - Reminders take place - Monitoring of check-in occurs
Match ball	- Sanitised at breaks and no sweat/saliva used at any stage	- Sanitised at breaks. No saliva to be used. Sweat allowed (other than from neck/head area)
Equipment	- No sharing of equipment	- Equipment cleaned between uses
Spectators	- Don't attend training & keep distance at matches	- Can attend but maintain distance from players

### ONGOING ADVICE

Please continue to check out the [COVID-19 section of the CV website](#) regularly for updates

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