



PFA Bulletin May 2020 re COVID-19

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In March (March 18th and March 21st) PFA notified members that they should stop playing and training in groups as per instructions from the International governing body (FIPJP). Subsequently, the National Cabinet established by the Federal Government and States and Territories issued more stringent restraints on sport and activity in general.

Some States are now relaxing some of these rules as the COVID risk diminishes. The changes in restrictions vary according to the particular jurisdiction.

The PFA is now updating its advice to members.

- PFA does not recommend clubs to consider re-opening until there is legislation in their State which specifically permits this.
- Check with the relevant authority in your State to ascertain what is permissible. Specifically, and not exclusively, in those States where it is permitted to gather in limited numbers and provided the club agrees, players should be permitted to utilise the pistes for practice and playing, provided they do not exceed the permitted numbers and that they leave the grounds immediately they have completed playing.
- Where your Club has a landlord (i.e. Council) check that they have provided their written permission for you to permit this limited play
- Ensure your club has all policies, procedures, and materials in place to meet venue requirements for hygiene, social distancing, numbers, etc as specified by your relevant governing bodies.
- Make sure your club COVID 19 management plan is conveyed in writing to your membership and, additionally, you have appropriate signage at your facility outlining requirements.

PFA is not responsible for any Club or State League which does not meet their responsibilities and obligations as per any State Government, Landlord, or local authority guidelines.

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