



Guidelines For Parents & Guardians

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Summary Of Change		
Revision Number	Date	Updates To:
V2	October 15 th 2020	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Travel To/From Venue</i> • <i>Pitch</i> • <i>Post Training</i>
V3	June 8 th 2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Travel to /From Venue</i> • <i>Check in process/Pre training or event</i> • <i>Pitch (Grounds)</i>



A. COVID-19 Safety Officer

- All Parents/Guardians to ensure that Children/Youths attending Rugby Clubs or events are fully aware of the Guidelines enforced in the current phase by the COVID-19 Safety Officer.
- Parents/Guardians must ensure that the COVID-19 Safety Officer and Event team are made fully aware in advance of any medical conditions a player may have.

B. Travel to / from Venue

- Only one Parent/Guardian should travel with younger players where possible – Parents/Guardians are only allowed to attend training sessions where government guidelines allow.
- The driver must either stay in the vehicle or leave the grounds and return at the appointed collection time.
- Players to arrive no more than 5 minutes prior to session commencing where government guidelines advise that changing facilities are prohibited.
- Players must not physically greet each other at any stage.
- Players should arrive ready to play where government guidelines advise that changing facilities are prohibited.
- If government guidelines prohibit spectators, parents/guardians of players with specific medical conditions can remain in car park in case of emergency, providing they adhere to all Guidelines.

C. Check in (registration) Process / Pre-training or event

- All registration for events should take place online where possible.
- Parents/Guardians should complete the IRFU Pre-Return to Rugby Personal Assessment Declaration prior to attending.
- Parents should not approach check in areas where possible and must adhere to social distancing Guidelines at all times.

D. Clubhouse and Facilities

- Parents/Guardians must ensure their children are fully kitted out when they arrive for the session as there will be no access to dressing rooms on site.
- All children should have their own equipment and must NEVER share that with anyone else. These items include water bottles, balls, clothing, sun cream etc.

E. Pitch (grounds)

- Training areas will be divided into zones with players/coaches allocated to training within each zone. Zones will be identified by colour, number, section, etc.
- Every player should know their training zone before arriving at the pitch.
- Pod sizes will be dictated by government guidelines and should stay the same throughout these levels/steps.
- All players to remain in socially distanced groups during breaks and not to mingle.
- Bathroom breaks, will be staggered with no grouping and this should be organised prior to commencement of event.
- Where access to dressing rooms and function halls are prohibited during certain government levels/steps, parents/guardians should be mindful of this when packing the players bag.

F. Post training

- Post training players must leave immediately if dressing rooms are not available during restricted government levels/steps.
- Players must shower at home where no access is available to shower facilities during government guidelines.
- Parents/Guardians should ensure that all kit and equipment is thoroughly cleaned.

G. Social Distancing Behaviours

- Players must refrain from handshakes and high fives.
- Practice good cough/sneeze etiquette and dispose of any used tissue in a responsible manner.
- Avoid touching your face.
- Remain apart from other players when taking a break.
- If a ball from another zone comes across, send it back with a kick on the ground. Refrain from picking up the ball.
- Social distancing is advised when travelling in vehicles to/from training.
- No spitting or clearing of nostrils on pitch or grounds.