

Southern Basketball Association

COVID-19 Plan November 2020

All venues

The Southern Basketball Association is fully committed to providing a safe environment for all members of our club:

- Volunteers;
- Players;
- Families;
- Spectators;
- SBA Staff and officials;
- The wider community;

We aim to provide quality practices in line with guidance from Basketball Victoria, the Bayside Council, the Victorian State Government, the Department of Health & Human Services and other relevant authorities applicable to our club. We acknowledge that Basketball in a pandemic is a privilege, not a right.

We all need to ensure we are doing the right thing to protect the safety of players, volunteers, officials and the local community.

We acknowledge the key dates outlined within the Victorian State Government's Roadmap for re-opening will be followed as we undertake Basketball activities during the 2020/21 season and we commit to adhering to the latest advice from Basketball Victoria, the Victorian State Government and the Department of Health & Human Services in this regard. It is important for Basketball Associations and Clubs to lead and promote a strong culture of COVID-19 safety for the health and wellbeing of participants and the broader community as any breaches could have ramifications for members of the community and the continuation of the season.

This SBA COVID-19 Plan is to be implemented at the following venues:

- Southern Basketball Centre;
- Mentone Girls Secondary College;
- Parkdale Secondary College;
- Cheltenham Secondary College;
- Mentone Grammar;
- Parktone Primary School

The Southern Basketball Association plays an important role in:

- Reducing the spread of COVID-19;
- Promoting good hygiene practices amongst players, officials and spectators;

- Adhering to and promoting the Victorian State Government requirements around social distancing, and large gatherings;
- Following the clear protocols and requirements around returning to training & games for both children and adults.

Associations and Clubs affiliated through Basketball Victoria agree to be respectful in adhering to the protocols outlined as part of the Return to Train & Play Guidelines. These guidelines form part of the current Government directions, and strong basketball sanctions can be applied to individuals and to clubs if they are in breach, in addition to any penalties applied by Government authorities.

The Southern Basketball Association commits to the following to allow community basketball to be undertaken in a COVID-19 environment:

1. Nominate at least one COVID Safety Officer who must undertake the free Australian Government online COVID-19 Infection Control Training prior to recommencement of Club activity. Certificate of completion will be emailed to our Association(s) ASAP after the completion of the on-line Training (e.g. within 48 hours). We will have multiple people take ownership of this role and share the responsibility.
2. Develop and maintain an attendance register which clearly identifies all participants, volunteers and officials present at training, matches and functions. This list is made available upon request by the Association, Basketball Victoria &/or DHHS health authorities.
3. Adhere to the latest training and match day protocols – accessible via the BV website.

Practical requirements for SBA staff, all players and spectators upon entering the stadium.

Personal Hygiene:

1. Stay 1.5 metres apart;
2. A face mask must always be worn by all people whilst in the stadium. Only players playing a game and children under 12 are exempt from this rule;
3. Spectators and players are asked to sanitise their hands when they enter the stadium;
4. Spectator capacity will be limited by the SBA.

In-Game Measures:

1. Players, coaches, and officials are not permitted to shake hands;
2. Basketballs to be sanitised before each game. Sanitiser dispensers are available on each court;
3. Coaches are to remain seated whilst coaching in their designated coaching area;
4. All players are to remain seated during a game if they are not playing on the court in the designated area for players;
5. Spectators are asked to maintain social distance (1.5 metres) from other spectators during the games by sitting on the designated spots on the benches;

6. Spectators are not allowed to congregate underneath baskets where it is clearly marked **NO STANDING**.

Stadium and Stadium area cleaning:

1. General seating areas will be sanitised following the completion of each game;
2. Water fountains are not to be used;
3. Toilets to be sanitised following the completion of each game;
4. Score benches are to be sanitised following the competition of each game;
5. Vending machines to be sanitised following the completion of each game;
6. Whilst cash can be used at the canteen, our preference is by card.

Stadium Entry and Exit Points:

1. New Entry and Exit points are clearly designated and marked for patrons when entering and exiting the stadium;
2. Spectators and players will be asked to register via QR code as they enter the Southern Basketball Centre and our external venues;
3. A map highlighting the revised Entry and Exit points at the Southern Basketball Centre is provided on the SBA website and in all communications with our stakeholders;
4. Entry doors will be closed when each game starts. Entry will not be permitted until all players and spectators have left the stadium and sanitising has been completed;
5. Spectators are asked to ensure that whilst waiting to enter the stadium they remain socially distant (1.5 metres apart).

SBA Bio-Safety Officer:

1. The SBA Biosafety officer will always be on duty whilst the Southern Basketball Centre is open to the community.
2. All Referee Supervisors on duty will also be accredited Biosafety Officers.
3. At external venues used for games, the Manager on Duty will also be accredited Bio Safety Officer, complying with guidelines provided by the venue;
4. All SBA officials are required to read and acknowledge the contents of Basketball Victoria's.

Return to Sport Guidelines- COVID – 19 Recovery Version 5

Official Name _____

Role _____

Signature _____ **Date** _____