

21st October 2021

Communication :- SBA pathway to reopening for basketball

Good morning Team Contacts,

Hope everyone is well and coping ok during this lockdown.

Subject to State Government restrictions, the SBA is planning on restarting the 'Seniors' competitions on Monday 8th November. We will be continuing with the current Spring 2021 season which commenced in July 2021, and we will play through until June 2022 with Grand Finals being Monday 20th June – Thursday 23rd June.

This means:-

- July 2021 games have been completed
- November/December games to be played
- Includes Autumn 2022 Season

The current season will now be combined to become one extended season from July 2021 to June 2022.

All current registrations for both team and players will continue through until the end of the season. Basketball Victoria have confirmed that they will **NOT** extend all licenses for the period where we were unable to play. We have also extended the Stadium Entry cards; they will now expire in June 2022.

Games will be played up until Thursday 16th December 2021 and will recommence on Monday 31st January. Teams will be invoiced after the 16th December for the games played from July 2021 to 16th December 2021. Payment of all games played prior to Christmas will be required before the season recommences in January 2022.

Fixtures will be updated and as soon as we have confirmation from the State Government, we will notify all senior teams.

We will update fixtures and advise teams when we have a definite answer on when we can resume.

Conditions of entry/Vaccinations

All people aged 16 + are required to be fully vaccinated to enter our venues, proof of this will be required on entry. The SBA will have a COVID Bio Safety Officer at each entrance to check compliance; the Services Victoria App is linked to our QR Code
Phase D of the Government roadmaps states that all people aged 12 + are required to be fully vaccinated to enter our venues

National Plan: Phase C

80% of 16+ fully vaccinated

Indicative date 5th November 2021. Subject to Public Health consideration of epidemiology at the time.
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National Plan: Phase D

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Indicative date two weeks later, subject to Public Health consideration of epidemiology at the time.

Face masks will be required to be worn with the following exceptions.

Players whilst warming up and playing

Coach when the game has commenced

Referees during a game they are officiating.

Social distancing where possible

Spectators

At this stage we do not have clarification from the State Government on the amount of people that will be allowed in our stadiums when we open. We will provide this information as soon as it becomes available.