LAUNCESTON FOOTBALL CLUB

Return to Football: COVID-19 Risk Assessment

Name of Risk Assessor: David Harrison (Club COVID-19 Officer)

Date of Most Recent Assessment Review Date: On-going and also on receipt of revised legislation

	Identify the Activity and Persons at Risk	
Describe the activities:	Who might be harmed?	Frequency of activity:
Training and Competitive	Players, Coaches, Officials (spectators not admitted under current	Usually Saturday afternoons and midweek
Football Matches	legislation)	evenings

WHAT ARE THE HAZARDS	CONTROLS REQUIRED	ADDITIONAL CONTROLS	ACTION BY WHOM?	ACTION BY WHEN?	DATE COMPLETE
	GENERAL ALL players and officials to be reminded to undertake self-assessment for any COVID-19 symptoms prior to entering ground.	Risk Assessment document to be produced, circulated and updated when appropriate by Club Covid-19 Officer	LAFC Covid Officer	Next change in legislation, anticipated mid-May	
	Promoting good hygiene				
Spread of COVID - 19	 Provision of hand sanitiser in toilet facilities, changing rooms and public areas Ensure all handwashing and sanitiser facilities are in good working order and suitably stocked Provision of paper towels at all handwashing stations 	 Regular checks (sanitiser, soap and paper towels) in toilet facilities and changing rooms Regular stock check (sanitiser, soap and paper towels) Train club officials on new protocols and the importance of good hygiene 	Clubhouse Manager		

 Keeping facilities and equipment clean Cleaning throughout changing areas prior to and after use Identification of high contact points for more regular cleaning (e.g. door handles, rails, light switches etc) Frequent cleaning of work areas and equipment between use Provision of waste facilities Follow Public Health England guidance if a COVID-19 case is reported at the facility Maintaining social distancing and 	 Ensure waste facilities are emptied and cleaned after each use of the venue Ensure club officials are familiar with Public Health England guidance for reported Covid-19 cases 	Clubhouse Manager	
 On-going review of how people use changing rooms and toilet facilities to minimise congestion and contact No more than eight people in either changing room at the same time No more than three people using either set of showers at the same time Single use of toilet facilities at any one time, to avoid congestion in confined spaces 	 Train club officials to promote compliance with social distancing guidelines Train club officials to deal with instances of non-compliance Produce signage to that effect 	Covid Officer	

 Pre-training player/coach self-screening to be undertaken In support of NHS Track and Trace, names and contact details of all attendees will be collected and retained for 21 days All equipment must be sanitised prior to and after use Any symptomatic players or coaches, or those living with someone who is symptomatic, must leave the ground and return home to self-isolate Attendees to supply their own drink bottle, clearly labelled Indoor training is prohibited A letter of consent (from parent or guardian) must be received before any Youth player (aged under 18) can train or take part in competitive football 	 All attendees to sanitise hands upon arrival and immediately after training Pre-training symptomatic questionnaire to be completed by all attendees Social distancing to be maintained during training wherever realistically possible 	Team Managers and Coaches	

 Travel The use of public transport to be avoided wherever possible Participants should walk or cycle to the ground if possible Players to be encouraged to arrive for training and matches in own personal car if unable to walk or cycle. People from same household or support bubble can travel together Where shared travel is unavoidable, individuals should aim to travel with same people on each journey 	 Drivers and passengers should keep vehicles well ventilated and have face masks available for use Upon arrival at venue drivers, where possible, should look to park at least one vehicle width away from other cars 	Team Managers and Coaches
 Coach travel to be avoided Welfare All players and officials to undertake self-assessment for any COVID-19 symptoms prior to leaving home. Verbal check for symptoms to take place prior to all training sessions and matches. Attendees to supply their own drink bottle, clearly labelled with their name Post-session/match players should refrain from contact, as far as possible Players aged under 18 may be accompanied, to training sessions or matches, by parents or guardians 	 Pre-match symptomatic questionnaire to be completed by attendees on arrival at training session All attendees to be regularly reminded of the importance of maintaining social distancing, wherever possible 	Team Managers and Coaches

Equipment Balls, cones, goalposts and other training equipment must be regularly wiped down with an appropriate sanitiser before and after every session. Facemasks and gloves are strongly recommended when carrying out this task. Medical / Physiotherapy PPE in line with Public Health England recommendations to be worn by any individual administering First Aid or carrying out physiotherapy activities First aiders must ensure their qualifications are within date as applicable to the relevant governing body	PPE, sanitiser spray and wipes to be issued to team managers and all coaches	Team Managers and Coaches		
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Players and Officials - Changing Rooms		
 Changing rooms to be used for changing, showering and toilet purposes only Where possible, players should arrive at the ground changed and ready to play. Use of changing rooms should be kept to a minimum Use of changing rooms to be limited to a maximum of eight people at any one time. This applies to players from both teams Safe system of access/egress 	 Players should vacate the changing rooms as soon as possible after usage Maximum occupancy to be displayed on each individual changing room door Manager briefings, pre- and postmatch, to be conducted on the pitch or in the grandstand Match officials allocated their own designated changing room 	Officer
Match Officials		
 Safe exchange of team sheets Safe method of match fee/expenses payment 	 Match fee payment by BACS Away team exit/enter changing room area ahead of hosts 	
 Technical Areas Additional seating in support of social distancing Increase size of technical area Maximum of three people inside either dugout at any one time 	Additional bench seating provided adjacent to both home and away dugouts	

Warm Up Areas		
Sufficient distance required between individual dedicated warm up areas for home team, away and match officials	Covid Office and Club Committee Members	
Spectators		
No spectators admitted to the ground until current legislation is amended		
Players aged under 18 may be accompanied by parents or guardians		
Hospitality		
No hospitality will be provided for players of either side, or match officials		
Half-time drinks will no longer be provided for players		
Clubhouse / Bar		
The clubhouse and bar will remain closed throughout		

Volunteers	
Any symptomatic club official, or those living with someone who is symptomatic, must self-isolate at home and not attend	
PPE to be supplied if requested by an individual (gloves, facemask, visor etc)	
Summary	
All connected with the club, as well as visiting players, should be aware that training and fixtures are able to proceed only on the basis that they are played BEHIND CLOSED DOORS	
Nobody other than designated squad members and named club officials can be admitted	
The only exception to this is that players aged under 18 may be accompanied to training or matches by parents or guardians	
This document should be read together with the Matchday Guidance Notes made available to squad members from both clubs, prior to training sessions and any matches played at the ground	