

DJM Covid Match Day Expectations of Managers

BEFORE MATCHDAY:

- If playing at home, ensure opposition manager aware of your ground's expectations
- If game is away, you are aware of away ground expectations and pass onto their parents/players.
- Sharing cars to games is not advised. If lifts are given, the wearing of face masks and having windows open is advised as per FA and government guidelines.
- Managers to have read and have on them on matchdays the Club's Covid risk assessment.
- Designated Covid representative for matchdays are appointed for each team (would usually be the team manager)
- Each team must bring their set of assistant referee flags that will only be used by their Club assistant referees.
- Money for referee is brought to the game in a clear plastic bag
- Awareness of and support for clinically vulnerable players and/or those players living with someone who is clinically vulnerable.
- Parents and players are confident of Club expectations.

SETTING UP FOR MATCHDAY:

- Entry and exit set up with hand sanitiser at entry and exit points, or somewhere appropriate for spectators to see and access.
- Any relevant signage set up- social distancing, hand washing, maximum groups of 6 etc.
- Where possible Respect barrier is set up 2 metres from the pitch. If 2 metres is not possible, as far back as possible.
- Set up area for player clothing and bottles and tech areas for managers' use
- Players to arrive in kit.
- First Aid kit has all that is required, including PPE (CPR face mask, face masks and rubber gloves)

FACILITIES:

- Changing rooms are not used unless for exceptional safeguarding circumstances. Facilities are cleaned regularly and those using them are socially distanced at all times.
- Toilets are clean and hand washing facilities available. Signage supports expectations of use in indoor areas.

PRE-MATCH:

- All enter orderly and socially distancing.

- Have your team hygiene kit on you (for example, spray, wipes and hand sanitiser) and ensure your First Aid Kit includes your PPE.
- All sign in and register that have self-assessed and are displaying no symptoms. Keep records for 21 days for potential Test and Trace. If the venue has QR codes encourage use of them to support private venues fulfil obligations but do not just rely on this – keep to your existing sign in and registration procedures
- Reinforce safety expectations in pre-match safety briefing and warm up is socially distanced.
- Ensure all officials and opposition managers are aware of who is the Covid representative for that match and all are clear of expectations.
- Money given to referee prior to game in clear sealed plastic bag and as per League Rule paid at the beginning of the game. Payment can be made by bank transfer or telephone banking with prior agreement of the match referee / assistant referees.
- Players do not share drinks bottles

DURING THE MATCH:

- Subs wearing bibs and social distancing. Subs have own kit and kit not swapped between players.
- No Respect handshake, no contact goal celebrations and avoid shouting when directly facing someone. Free kicks and corners must be taken promptly.
- Parents must not handle equipment nor handle the ball when out of play. Ball must be disinfected regularly and if out of play retrieved by foot as much as possible.
- Member of player's household administer minor first aid, if manager must administer more serious first aid PPE must be worn. Parent assists with shoelaces etc where possible.
- At half time spray down GK gloves, goal posts and corner flags. Team talk is socially distanced.
- If anyone starts to displays Covid symptoms isolate them immediately. If urgent call 999. If non-urgent, advise the parent/adult player to seek medical attention.
- Spectators in groups of maximum 6, spread out and not mixing.

POST MATCH:

- Paper team sheets not to be exchanged at the game but pictures to be taken on managers' phones of the team sheet and sent to the opposition manager and the referee of the game.
- When teams have finished they leave as soon as possible. Exit in an orderly fashion social distancing at all times.
- All Equipment, GK gloves, goals and respect barrier cleaned down and cleaning schedule signed off.
- Bibs to be taken home in a sealed bag and machine washed.
- Youth players take their kit home to wash.