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COVID-19 Safety Plan for 2022 – Community Sport Outdoor Events

2022 SEASON v2.1



ORGANISATION DETAILS	
Organisation name	NEWCASTLE NETBALL ASSOCIATION INC
Location	Newcastle Netball Courts - Union Street Cooks Hill NSW 2300
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REQUIREMENTS FOR OUTDOOR COMMUNITY SPORT

Requirements for our organisation and the actions we will put in place to keep our participants, volunteers and workers safe.

REQUIREMENTS	ACTIONS
Wellbeing of staff and visitors	
<p>Exclude staff, volunteers and attendees who are unwell from the event.</p> <p>AGREE</p>	<p>Before participating in any netball activity, we advise all players, team officials, parents/carers and other Association/club members must understand and comply with all NSW Government regulations, especially in relation to:</p> <p>COVID-19 symptoms and how it spreads https://www.nsw.gov.au/covid-19/symptoms-and-testing</p> <p>Testing Positive and How To Manage https://www.nsw.gov.au/covid-19/management/advice-for-confirmed</p> <p>Self Isolation Rules https://www.nsw.gov.au/covid-19/stay-safe/testing/self-isolation-rules</p>

<p>Provide staff and volunteers with information and training on COVID-19, including when to get tested, physical distancing, wearing masks and cleaning.</p> <p>AGREE</p>	<p>Ensure, as far as reasonably practicable, all identified COVID 19 Safety Coordinators (at minimum) and volunteers complete the COVID-19 Infection Control Training; https://covid-19training.gov.au/login</p> <p>NNA Executive members have completed this course.</p> <p>We have worked with Netball NSW to promote and encourage the use of the following resources and websites in order to obtain accurate information:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Australian Government Department of Health: https://www.health.gov.au/news/health-alerts/novel-coronavirus-2019-ncov-health-alert - NSW Government Department of Health: https://www.health.nsw.gov.au/Infectious/covid-19/Pages/default.aspx - NSW Office of Sport: COVID-19 Information NSW Government - Netball NSW COVID-19 Toolkit: https://nsw.netball.com.au/covid-19-toolkit <p>Similarly, we have promoted the range of COVID-19 “campaign resources’ produced by the Federal Government, including posters outlining hygiene practices (e.g. promoting thorough hand washing)</p>
<p>Display conditions of entry including requirements to stay away if unwell and record keeping.</p> <p>AGREE</p>	<p>We will display posters, distribute and “share” information about COVID-19 across our digital channels and at appropriate locations around our Association/club house and venue.</p> <p>Where appropriate, we will identify and address potential language, cultural and disability barriers associated with communicating COVID-19 information to players, members and other stakeholders.</p> <p>In conjunction with our state governing body, Netball NSW, we have developed and promoted amongst our members and stakeholders, a range of resources on COVID-19.</p> <p>We have made our participants and officials aware of the above-mentioned symptoms and stipulated that they should stay away from the association/club and self-isolate in the event that they experience any symptoms.</p>
<p>Businesses can require proof of COVID-19 vaccination in line with their COVID-19 vaccination policy.</p> <p>Not applicable</p>	<p>We will strongly encourage vaccinations however it is not mandatory to participate in community sport.</p>

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Physical distancing	
<p>Support 1.5m physical distancing where possible, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •at points of mixing or queuing •between seated groups •between staff/volunteers <p>AGREE</p>	<p>We have determined physical distancing protocols to be used within shared facility spaces (e.g. canteen, toilets, spectator viewing areas and club house/rooms), and where appropriate, have clearly marked with tape and/or signage.</p> <p>We have and will continue to encourage individuals to be respectful of shared space, minimise time spent in these areas and observe physical distancing measures.</p> <p>We have also taken the necessary precautions to minimise the risk of transmission including designating the use of specific seats/areas that meet physical distancing requirements and erecting signage to advise in the clubhouse.</p> <p>Whilst we currently have no limits on the number of participants we request teams be respectful of the number of spectators present at each game, ensuring social distancing is of the utmost importance on the sidelines and areas around the courts.</p> <p>We will encourage players and spectators to leave the facility as soon as possible following the conclusion of their matches.</p>
<p>Minimise mingling of participants from different games and timeslots where possible, particularly people aged under 16 who may not yet be fully vaccinated. For mass participation events, consider staggering the starting times for different groups to minimise crowding where possible</p> <p>AGREE</p>	<p>NNA has scheduled matches and has arranged training days and times to minimise contact, cross-over and avoid unnecessary gatherings of players, family members and staff.</p> <p>We have schedules times between matches to enable all attendees to arrive and exit the venue safely, with minimal contact with others.</p> <p>We will communicate with players and team staff to encourage personal equipment and bags are arranged to maintain adequate physical distancing of participants and separation between teams.</p> <p>Players should arrive no more than 15 minutes prior to competition play and to leave as soon as possible after playing. This has been organised so there is minimal overlap between the teams leaving and the teams arriving on site.</p> <p>At times NNA may limit the number of Parents/Spectators to allow for adequate social distancing as well as not exceeding one person per 1.5 square metres.</p> <p>We will encourage players and spectators to leave the facility as soon as possible following the conclusion of their matches.</p>
<p>Avoid congestion of people in specific areas where possible, such as change rooms and other communal facilities</p> <p>AGREE</p>	<p>We have determined physical distancing protocols to be used within shared facility spaces (e.g. canteen, change rooms, toilets, spectator viewing areas, entrance foyers, corridors and club house/rooms), and where appropriate, have clearly marked with tape and/or signage.</p> <p>We have and will continue to encourage individuals to be respectful of shared space, minimise time spent in these areas and observe physical distancing measures.</p>

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<p>Strategies must be in place to reduce crowding and promote physical distancing in communal facilities such as showers, change rooms and lockers</p> <p>AGREE</p>	<p>Toilets will be open for public use and will display clear signage to indicate the recommended number of people entering (dependent on the space of the amenities).</p> <p>We will limit the use of changerooms, wet or inside areas to essential people only and clean these spaces regularly.</p> <p>We will indicate the number of people that can occupy indoor spaces in accordance with the guideline including toilets, change rooms, canteens etc.</p>	
<p>Have strategies in place to manage gatherings that may occur immediately outside the premises, such as pick-up/drop-off zones and staggered start/finish times.</p> <p>AGREE</p>	<p>We will stagger arrival and/or departure times when possible for different groups and teams, and within the constraints of the venue design, manage entry and exit points to allow a seamless flow of players/coaching staff and parents/spectators through the venue to limit the risk of overlap and congestion.</p>	
<p>Where possible, encourage participants to avoid carpools with people from different household groups</p> <p>AGREE</p>	<p>We will stagger arrival and/or departure times when possible for different groups and teams, and within the constraints of the venue design, manage entry and exit points to allow a seamless flow of players/coaching staff and parents/spectators through the venue to limit the risk of overlap and congestion.</p>	
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VENTILATION		
<p>For indoor areas, review the 'COVID-19 guidance on ventilation' available on nsw.gov.au and consider which measures are relevant to your event before completing this COVID-19 Safety Plan.</p> <p>AGREE</p>	<p>When the Clubhouse is open, all doors and windows will be open for Ventilation purposes.</p>	

<p>Use outdoor settings wherever possible AGREE</p>	<p>Our games are all outside.</p>
<p>In indoor areas, increase natural ventilation by opening windows and doors where possible AGREE</p>	<p>We are not running any indoor competitions – this is Not applicable</p> <p>Where the meeting room is utilised, windows and doors will be opened for additional ventilation</p>
<p>In indoor areas, increase mechanical ventilation where possible by optimising air conditioning or other systems settings such as by maximising the intake of outside air and reducing or avoiding recirculation of air). AGREE</p>	<p>We are not running any indoor competitions – this is Not applicable</p> <p>Where the meeting room is utilised, windows and doors will be opened for additional ventilation</p>
<p>Ensure mechanical ventilation systems are regularly maintained to optimise performance (for example through regular filter cleaning or filter changes) AGREE</p>	<p>Not applicable to NNA</p>
<p>Consider consulting relevant experts such as building owners or facility managers, ventilation engineers and industrial or occupational hygienist to optimise indoor ventilation. AGREE</p>	<p>Not applicable to NNA</p>
<p>REQUIREMENTS ACTIONS</p>	
<p>Hygiene and Cleaning</p>	
<p>Face masks must be worn by people aged 12 years and over in indoor areas, unless exempt. Note: People engaging in physical exercise are exempt AGREE</p>	<p>Face masks are not required but are still encouraged for indoor settings (clubhouse) where you cannot maintain a safe distance from others.</p>

<p>Adopt good hand hygiene practices. Have hand sanitiser at key points around the venue.</p> <p>AGREE</p>	<p>We will wipe down key spaces, surfaces and objects (such as benchtops, door handles, team benches, keys etc regularly).</p> <p>Further we will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Promote and provide hand washing guidance to all participants and volunteers (http://www.who.int/gpsc/clean_hands_protection/en/); - Promote regular and thorough hand washing by volunteers and participants; - Provide sanitising hand rub within the venue and refill regularly (when facilities are open); - Replace/refill soap in toilets regularly (when facilities are open); - Place bins around the venue. <p>We will provide hand sanitiser within the venue and ensure it is regularly refilled.</p> <p>We will encourage players, officials, volunteers, and/or their parents/carers to carry personal hand sanitiser to enable good personal hygiene.</p> <p>We will discourage the sharing of common stationery (pens, clip boards etc.) and other personal IT equipment (laptops, iPads, headphones, etc).</p> <p>We will remind everyone to not share personal equipment such as whistles and pens.</p>
<p>Ensure bathrooms are well stocked with hand soap and paper towels or hand dryers.</p> <p>AGREE</p>	<p>We will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Refill soap in toilets regularly. • Refill paper towel dispensers in toilets when required. • Place bins around the venue. <p>We will promote and provide hand washing guidance to all participants and volunteers: (http://www.who.int/gpsc/clean_hands_protection/en/) and display hand washing guidance in all club house toilets, common areas and canteens within our facility.</p>
<p>Clean frequently used indoor hard surface areas (including children’s play areas) at least daily with detergent/disinfectant. Clean frequently touched areas and surfaces several times per day.</p> <p>AGREE</p>	<p>We will clean frequently used spaces, surfaces and objects regularly</p>

REQUIREMENTS	ACTIONS
Record Keeping	
<p>Consider having a record keeping method in place to support contact tracing if a person with COVID-19 visits the premises.</p> <p>AGREE</p>	<p>As our activity is based outdoors, we are no longer required to have a QR code system.</p>

<p>Review the 'guidance for businesses with a worker who tests positive for COVID-19' available at https://www.nsw.gov.au/covid-19/business/linked-with-positive-worker-case and have protocols in place in the event that a worker who tests positive for COVID-19 has been in the workplace.</p> <p>AGREE</p>	<p>We have reviewed this guide & have a procedure in place in the event that a member test positive for COVID-19.</p>
<p>Cooperate with NSW Health if contacted in relation to a positive case of COVID-19 at your workplace, and notify SafeWork NSW if a worker has tested positive and is hospitalised or dies. Visit https://www.safework.nsw.gov.au/resource-library/COVID-19-Coronavirus for more information.</p> <p>AGREE</p>	<p>We will cooperate with NSW Health and follow all directives as required.</p>
<p>I agree to keep a copy of this COVID-19 Safety plan at the business premises.</p> <p>AGREE</p>	<p>Agree</p>