

Cove FC – Risk Assessment Nr.2

20 July 2020

Cove Football Club – COVID-19 Risk Assessment

- All visitors, players, parents/carers of Cove Youth players and spectators should familiarise themselves with the current FA Guidance for Grass-roots Football, a summary of which can be found on our website.
- All participants in activities at Cove Football Club should read and agree to the Cove Football Club Covid-19 Plan, which is available on our website.
- All spectators at training sessions and matches should follow current Government social distancing regulations.

Cove FC Site

Area	Risk	Risk Rating Before Mitigation	Mitigation	Risk Rating After Mitigation
Front lane gate and padlock	Covid-19 transmission by contact	C	Opened by the Coach. No players, parents/carers or visitors to touch the gate	D
Car park	Close proximity of people	C	To ensure social distancing, the number of cars will be reduced. Players and visitors to use the Farnborough Rugby Club car park in addition to Cove FC parking. Social distancing guidelines must be followed in car park.	D
Black gate into ground	Covid-19 transmission by contact	C	First coach to arrive will open the gate and keep it open with a bollard. No player, parent/carer or visitor to touch the gate.	D
Clubhouse	Indoor gathering of people	C	Clubhouse is currently closed for refurbishment and unable to open on Health and Safety grounds.	D

Railing around the Main Pitch	Covid-19 transmission by contact	C	Players, parents/carers and visitors advised not to touch the railing round the football pitch.	D
Path round the Main Pitch	Close proximity of people	C	All visitors advised to follow Government social distancing guidelines. One-way system in place around site.	D
Black gate to MUGA alley	Close proximity of people	C	Arriving players, after going through the single black gate to the MUGA, turn right and enter the MUGA through the double gates, only when the MUGA is empty of players. Departing players use the single black gate adjacent to the main football pitch.	D
Alley from black gate to Oak Farm access	Close proximity of people	C	Spectators, and parents/carers to watch training from grass, following current Government social distancing guidelines.	D
MUGA gate to access Oak Farm area	Close proximity of people	C	Will be opened by the first coach to arrive. Players and parents/carers must observe social distancing guidelines until the coach has opened the gate. The gate will be kept open throughout the training sessions and closed by the last Coach.	D
MUGA double gates	Close proximity of people	C	Will be opened by the coach, and locked once all players have arrived.	D
MUGA perimeter fence	Close proximity of people and Covid-19 transmission by contact	C	2 metre spacing marks all-round the perimeter. Parents/carers and spectators not permitted to touch MUGA fence, and must follow current Government social distancing guidelines.	D
Inside MUGA fence	Covid-19 transmission by contact	C	Coaches and players strictly prohibited to touch the MUGA fence.	D
Spectators (including parents/carers of youth players)	Close proximity of people	C	All visitors to the site who are not taking part in football activities must follow current Government social distancing guidelines.	D

Football Activities

Area	Risk	Risk Rating Before Mitigation	Mitigation	Risk Rating After Mitigation
Shared equipment	Covid-19 transmission by contact	C	<p>Sharing of equipment to be minimised. Sanitising of hands by all players (enforced by parents/carers of youth players) on arrival and departure to be enforced.</p> <p>Goalposts to be cleaned before and after matches and at half time. Footballs to be cleaned before and after training and matches, at half time and during any breaks in play following throw ins.</p> <p>Balls out of play should be retrieved by participants only, with feet whenever possible.</p> <p>For training sessions, throw ins to be replaced with tap-ins.</p>	D
Pitch	Proximity of players before/after session and during breaks in play	C	<p>Coaches and players (and parents/carers for Cove Youth players) to ensure that the Government social distancing guidelines are adhered to (between themselves and all other players, spectators and match officials) before and after the session and during breaks in play (including during warm ups/cool downs).</p> <p>FA guidance will be followed for maximum group sizes, and a maximum of 30 people (inclusive of coaches) will be permitted on the MUGA. Where two teams share the MUGA for training sessions, each team will be limited to 15 people (inclusive of coaches).</p>	D
Pitch	Proximity of players during competitive training/matchplay	B	<p>Social distancing will be enforced as soon as breaks in play occur.</p> <p>For free kicks, only one-man walls will be permitted during a training sessions, and match free kicks will be taken quickly to minimise time spent by players in a wall.</p> <p>Corner kicks to be taken quickly to minimise time spent with close marking.</p> <p>Players should refrain from shouting or speaking loudly while in close proximity or face to face with another player.</p> <p>Spitting is prohibited.</p> <p>Group goal celebrations are not permitted.</p>	C

First aid	Close proximity of people	C	<p>A first aid area will be designated by the coaches. Coaches, officials and other players are not permitted to administer basic first aid; this must be administered by the player, a household member or by a parent/carer of a youth player. A fully-stocked first aid kit will be made available in the designated area. For a life- or limb-threatening injury that necessitates breaking social distancing protocol for treatment, PPE will be provided in the first aid kit for use by trained first aiders.</p> <p>All Cove Youth players under the age of 16 must be accompanied by an adult from their household who will be responsible for administering basic first aid. A parent/carer MUST remain at training sessions or matches at all times.</p>	D
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