



COVID-19 Risk Assessment

Name: Great Yarmouth Town FC		Location: Wellesley Recreation Ground, Sandown Road, Great Yarmouth, Norfolk. NR30 1EX
Activity: Preventing the Spread of COVID-19 at Football Training Sessions & Competitive Matches		Age Group: Adult and Youth(Under 18's) Football Club
People at Risk: Senior & Youth Teams / Staff / Volunteers & Spectators		Risk Assessment Number 001 V2.1
Issued Date: 16/09/2020	Review Date : 16/09/2020	Created by Great Yarmouth Town Football club COVID Compliance Officer – Eden Rudling Approved by Great Yarmouth Town FC (GYTFC) Committee

This risk assessment has been produced by the Club COVID officer and steering group to allow commencement of competitive Football for all ages at Great Yarmouth Town Football Club Wellesley Ground and Youth playing fields.

Following the current guidance issued by Public Health England & the Football Association, this is to safeguard and protect all those that attend as either a player, family member, supporter, staff member or volunteer in the spread & transmission of COVID-19.

Failure to follow & adhere to the guidance set out below could result in disciplinary action, suspension and where applicable registration termination.



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Transmission of COVID -19	Symptomatic players attending training and spreading virus	H	<p>If a player, volunteer, spectator, member of staff displays Covid-19 symptoms or is awaiting a test result or has been told to self-isolate by NHS test and trace, they must self-isolate according to Government guidance. They should not attend any football related events until their period of isolation has been completed.</p> <p>Symptoms of COVID -19, including</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Temperature above 37.8c New and Persistence cough Loss of sense of taste and smell Been in contact with someone who has been confirm as having COVID-19 or suspected COVID-19 until a negative test result has been confirmed or in accordance with the latest Public Health England Advice. <p>Home temperature checks to be encouraged,</p> <p>Entrance to The Wellesley will be via the main entrance on Sandown Road separate to match day fans and controlled by a club Steward</p>	L	<p>Should someone be taken unwell during the session isolation is to take place,</p> <p>If well enough the individual will need to go home, Contact NHS 111 for advice or life-threatening dial 999 and inform that believed to be suspected COVID-19</p> <p>Temperature checks to be carried out by COVID officer or club representative on arrival on match days & training sessions</p> <p>Gloves & Masks to be worn to protect the temperature checker</p> <p>Ongoing</p>
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<p>Failure to identify individuals within the match day or training venues as per NHS & Government Guidelines</p>	<p>Confirmed COVID case with no traceability</p>	<p>H</p>	<p>Track & Trace to be used at each home venue and to be identified as such, Away teams will be asked to provide a list of every club official and player from their club who will be attending the match at least 4 hours prior to Kick Off.</p> <p>Supporters will be asked for their name and contact telephone number which will be recorded on paper and will be held with the club as per GDPR rules.</p> <p>This will be the responsibility of the Club Secretary of adult football or their representative to ensure that this is collected and held or delivered to the club</p> <p>Failure to comply with this request could result in either</p> <p>A player not being permitted to the venue, or</p> <p>supporters being refused entry</p>	<p>L</p>	<p>GDPR rules to be followed data will be securely disposed of after 21 days</p> <p>No personal details to be held anywhere other than at the club, within the safe.</p>



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<p>Players in close contact with each other during training sessions or during matches</p>	<p>Players not keeping their 2m social distance. Potential risk of COVID Transmission</p>	<p>H</p>	<p>There will be no changing room or shower facilities available at The Wellesley. Players are asked to arrive in playing kit and to leave in their playing kit.</p> <p>Hand sanitiser will be available at the main entrance to the ground, near the toilets and near at pitch side (on the halfway line between technical areas)</p> <p>Toilets & Hand washing facilities will be open and available throughout the time the club is open. Toilets will be manned by a member of the club and admittance will be on a one in/one out basis. Toilets will be cleaned between each use.</p>	<p>M</p>	<p>A member of coaching staff to monitor players arrival & training groups to ensure social distancing is followed</p> <p>Signs will be displayed encouraging regular hand washing/sanitising and social. Social distancing signs and 2m markers will be used around the ground</p> <p>Toilets will be cleaned by a member of the club (allocated on Match Days) who will wear gloves, face mask and using Covid Approved cleaning products. This will occur once per hour. Great Yarmouth Borough Services will deep clean the toilets before and after each match.</p> <p>Mangers, club officials & COVID officer to monitor and review after each game Infringement of these rules to be dealt with by the COVID Officer and board of directors.</p>
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<p>Players in close contact with each other during training sessions or during matches Cont.</p>			<p>Entrance to The Wellesley will be via the main entrance on Sandown Road, separate to match day fans and controlled by a club Steward.</p> <p>Players & Officials arrive ready for training or Matches already dressed in kit</p> <p>Players reminded the need to minimal contact with either fellow teammates or opposing team before, during and after matches.</p> <p>Football kits to be washed by the individual wearing the kit, no collective washing to take place</p> <p>Players to remain in their training / social bubble, only access the training / pitch area when instructed by their team coach,</p> <p>No more than 30 players including coaching staff allowed as per government guidance, this will be reviewed as per FA guidelines.</p>		<p>If anyone in attendance at any sessions/matches are subsequently found to show CoVid symptoms within 14 days of attending then GYTFC will arrange for the premises to be cleaned in line with current government guidelines.</p>



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<p>Players in close contact with each other during training sessions or during matches Cont.</p>			<p>Handshakes before and after the game are suspended until further notice. Players, coaching staff and Officials must apply hand sanitizer before entering & after leaving the pitch. Player's entrance onto the field of play to be staggered, teams will not formally line up and walk out together. Set pieces should be taken as quickly as possible to prevent increased levels of reduced social distancing or contact Goal Celebrations should avoid contact with fellow players or spectators Team Talks/ Huddles for the starting 11 must be held outside either on by the pitch. All interaction with players & match officials during a match to be held observing social distance guidelines. No spitting or mouth rinsing to take place as this is identified as a high-risk transfer route.</p>		



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Spread of COVID 19	Poor Hygiene and cleaning standard	H	Club officials to carry out a thorough deep cleaning and sanitization before arrival of players & staff, and before the next use of the facilities. Regular cleaning and sanitizing of surfaces, rails, handles, & high contact areas during open hours	L	This activity will be reviewed to the frequency of the cleaning to ensure suitable for the foot traffic present



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<p>Congregating & Walking around The Wellesley Recreation Ground. Increasing possibility of transmission due to team cross over</p>	<p>Players are at risk of breaking social distancing guidelines i.e. Players walking together, not keeping their 2m distance.</p> <p>Supporters and players mixing and not keeping 2m distance</p>	M	<p>Players and officials will follow a one-way system from the ground entrance to the pitch side. Home and Away teams to be kept separate before the match with designated areas for each team. Individual markers to be present, each 2m apart to allow players and coaches to place their drinks bottles and personal belongings. Players being informed of club procedures prior to arriving. Staggered arrival of Players to reduce congestion waiting admittance. Staggered arrival & leaving of a training ground or match venue to be encouraged.</p> <p>Supporters and players kept separate with no supporters allowed inside pitch fence perimeter.</p>	L	<p>Players keeping there 2m distance, Signs will be used on site for social distancing. Players to not arrive together. Hand Sanitiser will be available around the ground and sign posted</p> <p>Supporter area to be marked out with 2m spacing and supporters encouraged not to gather in groups of 6 or more. Maximum number of supporters limited to 300 per match.</p>



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<p>Equipment checks Potential transmission route</p>	<p>Not being cleaned before during and after matches & training sessions</p>	<p>M</p>	<p>All equipment to be cleaned and sanitized prior to each training session and game. Each player will have their own bib and drinks bottle clearly marked.</p> <p>Cleaning & Sanitizing products to be provided by club on site, to be used by members of staff and players, Hand sanitisers to be used before during and after training & matches</p> <p>All equipment will be gathered up immediately after training or Match and cleaned and sanitized thoroughly using certified cleaning products.</p> <p>Teams to identify a cleaning officer (this can be a parent or /volunteer) per game, who's duty it will be to ensure throughout a competitive match that ball's and goals are sanitized during breaks in play.</p> <p>Reserve and Development teams to provide line flags. These are to be sanitised before and after the game as well as whenever a new assistant referee takes over the line duties.</p>	<p>L</p>	<p>A member of staff to be in control of monitoring players washing hands prior/end of session Adhering to 2M social distancing guidelines. Masks and gloves to be worn during the cleaning process, approved sanitizing products to be recognised in the protection against Coronavirus</p> <p>A staff member from Great Yarmouth Borough Council Services will sanitize the Goals and corner flags before and after the game as well as at half time.</p> <p>GYTFC will provide sanitiser to each team before the game to allow them to clean flags during the match. GYTFC will assume responsibility of sanitising the flags before each match.</p>
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Injury or Illness & First aid provision	Breaking of the 2m social distancing rule	H	<p>First aid kits & first aider to be made aware of additional precautions of face masks & face shields to be donned and worn before any treatment to be made,</p> <p>New guidance of CPR protocol to be reiterated with the First Aider.</p> <p>personal safety is paramount (Youth) If family member present then immediate care can be provided by this person until the arrival of the first aider or if suitably trained then treatment can be provided by the family member</p> <p>Please refer to the FA guidance on Medical provision</p>	M	All Staff & Players to be briefed on the new procedures and First Aiders to be aware of the new PPE required and that it is available before the start of a training session.
Drinks bottles	Players using and sharing bottles	H	<p>Players to bring own bottles to training, players to be reminded there is no sharing.</p> <p>Bottles will be clearly marked with player's initials or names</p>	L	Players to be reminded prior to session, designated spots organised by staff for players to keep their own personal bottles/equipment



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Travelling	Players cross contaminating car sharing.	H	<p>Cohort Working is how this can be described players stick to travelling in the same groups. Or the player simply travels alone. Please take the time to read Working safely during the coronavirus outbreak – a short guide</p> <p>https://www.hse.gov.uk/news/assets/docs/working-safely-guide.pdf</p> <p>Page 5 mentions cohort working.</p> <p>Players to use masks if they travel more than a duration of 15 minutes together. Windows should be frequently opened. At regular stops should be made for fresh air.</p>	M	Players to be reminded each session.
Players & Supporters socializing after the game	Increased risk of transmission	H	<p>Players, supporters and club members encouraged to leave the ground as soon as reasonably practicable.</p> <p>Smudgers Bar will be closed until further notice.</p>	L	COVID Officer & Committee to carryout regular reviews and report finding.
The provision of Hot & cold food on match days	Increased risk of transmission due to close proximity to one another or poor hygiene practices	M	<p>The suspension of match day food for Officials & Players under current guidelines,</p> <p>Spectator food to continue being served from the Tea Hut, queuing for food & drink to observe 2m distancing, & contactless payment encouraged.</p> <p>Please see separate Risk assessment for The Tea Hut</p> <p>Supporters encouraged to practice regular hand washing and where this is not practical to use alcohol hand sanitizers</p>	L	See separate risk assessment for The Tea Hut



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