



Work through the good practice checklists below and consider ways in which the club could; **1.** make changes to facilities to help prevent the spread of Covid-19; and **2.** open facilities safely & efficiently

PREPARE THE SITE



- Re-schedule and prioritise your normal summer maintenance programme if it has not been carried out
- Carry out your standard pitch health and safety review, including all pitch furniture (eg goalposts/perimeter fencing) and equipment.
- If you have been unable to cut the grass mow it carefully and remove no more than 1/3rd grass length at any one time
- Check to see if the pitch too hard
- Check to see if the pitch is showing any signs of cracking
- Check to see if there is there any dog fouling on the pitch
- Check to see if there is any glass or other sharp impediments on the pitch,
- Check to see if there any general litter
- Speak to the groundsmen to get their input on to the state of the pitch
- Ensure 100% of the field is safe. If a small area is unsafe then the pitch should not be used.

HYGIENE



- Ensure hand-sanitiser is available at all entry and exit points and that stock levels are sufficient to regularly replenish
- Use signs and posters to build awareness of good handwashing technique, the need to increase handwashing frequency, avoid touching your face and to cough or sneeze into your arm
- If maintenance equipment or machinery is used by multiple operators ensure appropriate cleaning procedures are in place after use.

SOCIAL DISTANCE



- Inform members of access restrictions and distance regulations by appropriate signage
- Use a line marker to paint grids for socially distanced activity zones
- Use a line marker to paint spectator areas based on current maximum group sizes and social distancing requirements
- Direct the flow of participants out onto the pitch for example using signage and tape marks on the floor

ADVICE, REGULATIONS, AND INSURANCE

[Club Support Centre](#)

[England Rugby Coronavirus Hub](#)

[Guidance on the Phased Return of Sport](#)

[Sport England Guidance](#)

[HSE Making Your Workplace Secure](#)

