



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



- Carry out your standard pitch health and safety review, including all pitch furniture (eg goalposts/perimeter fencing) and equipment.
- 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
- Check to see if there is 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.
- Deep clean the surface to remove debris and clean contaminated infill particles
- If your artificial grass pitch is used for contact activity, ensure that its World Rugby test certificate is still valid.

HYGIENE



- 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.
- Consider to the need to disinfect the AGP before re-opening but liaise with your pitch supplier before applying any chemicals.

SOCIAL DISTANCE



- Inform members of access restrictions and distance regulations by appropriate signage
- Use a line marking machine to paint grids for socially distanced activity zones
- Direct the flow of participants out onto the pitch for example using signage and tape marks on the floor



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[England Rugby Coronavirus Hub](#)

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

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