



Use of Read Cricket Club for Cricket Matches

The following rules MUST be adhered to. They will protect you and the club.

No member, player, coach, official, volunteer, spectator or person attending Read Cricket club should leave their house if they or any member of the household are showing symptoms of Covid-19.

No member self-isolating should attend the club

- All members should follow public health rules on hygiene and wash hands for at least 20 seconds on a regular basis. Please avoid touching face, mouth, eyes and nose.
- Toilet access is available, but we wish to minimise the use of these due to having to clean them after every use, could all those attending the session should use their toilets at home before attending.
- Participants should arrive at the ground in the appropriate kit for exercise and bring their own equipment and water bottle. Hand sanitiser will be provided and should be used on entry and exit of the session.
- A One-way system in place for entry and exit to the sessions. Arrows will be visible on the floor and map attached. The large gate to the club will be closed and all cars encouraged to park on the big car park to prevent a bottle neck.
- Matches will be in groups of a MAXIMUM of thirty including player coach(s)/supervisor(s)/official(s). Social distancing **must be observed** with members from outside your household (including throughout warm-ups) except in the following limited circumstances during competitive play in England only where social distancing of 1m+ is permitted:
 1. Wicket keepers standing up to the stumps
 2. Distance between slip fielders.
- Personal hygiene measures should be carried out at home before and after cricket activity.
- Participants should bring their own hand sanitiser where possible and maintain strict and frequent hand hygiene measures at all times.
- Cricket activity must take place outdoors only.
- Participants should follow UK Government guidance on best practice for travel, including minimising the use of public transport and limiting car sharing
- The clubhouse, including the bar may be opened during a match. Please see the guidance displayed around the clubhouse for its use. If a parent/guardian decides to use the clubhouse instead of using an assigned bench for a junior match, then they will need to collect the player at the end of training or if it rains and ensure clubhouse guidance is followed.
- No matches can take place without previously being scheduled and confirmed. Members will be required to sign to say they accept all the conditions whenever changes to the guidelines occur. Confirmations should be made via the WhatsApp groups – places will be confirmed by reply message giving an arrival and finish time.
- Only participants of the match should be on the playing field. All participants should leave the pitch immediately on completion of their match whilst maintaining social distancing. For junior players, at least one parents/guardian should stay to watch the session, we encourage you to do so but social distancing MUST be adhered too, to assist with this each household can be allocated a bench on arrival, this will be you bench for the duration of the session.
- Participants should enter the site and prepare their personal equipment whilst maintaining social distancing.
- Where possible players should limit sharing of equipment. If they do, they must practise strict hand hygiene before and after use and the equipment must be cleaned before use by another person
- No sweat or saliva is to be applied to the ball at any time
- All participants should sanitise their hands prior to the start of the activity.
- Hand sanitiser should be used at all breaks in activity and prior to consuming any food or drinks

- Players should refrain from spitting or rinsing out their mouths
- Individuals should bring their drinks. Water bottles or other refreshment containers should not be shared outside of a household
- All participants should sanitise their hands after the completion of activity
- Any participants should report any infection of their household to the NHS Test and Trace system following use of the facility to limit the spread of the virus. Please also let someone at Read CC know.
- A 'hygiene break' should take place every six overs or every 20 minutes, whichever is sooner, in which the ball is cleaned with an antimicrobial wipe and all participants' hands are cleaned using a suitable sanitiser. This routine should also be followed at the start of any drinks break or the close of an innings. The responsibility for sanitising the ball during the match will lie with the fielding captain or junior's coach/supervisor, not the umpire.
- Batters should sanitise their bat when leaving the field of play and Wicket Keepers should sanitise their gloves. Any club equipment will be sanitised by a coach/supervisor/volunteer once the match has completed.
- Bowlers should not hand any personal items to the umpire. Bowlers should place these items at the boundary themselves. Any other personal items should be placed with the players kit in their own designated area.
- Batters are to run in distinct running lines to ensure they are not within 2m of the bowler or other batter. Lines to be marked on the square on either side of the wicket.
- If two scorers are required, social distancing must be maintained with only one official inside the scorers' box and no players to be allowed in the scorers' box. The scorers' box should be well ventilated.
- Communal scorebooks passed from one player to another should be avoided.
- Social distancing must always be maintained including during post-wicket celebrations, drinks breaks and tactical discussions.
- Minimise sharing of the ball in a match by limiting contact as the ball makes its way back to the bowler e.g. ball goes straight from wicketkeeper to bowler instead of around surrounding fielders.
- Umpires/coaches/supervisors should refrain from any contact with the ball, it can be returned to the base of the stumps at breaks and wickets.
- Umpires/coaches/supervisors should be responsible for the stumps closest to them and should be the only person replacing the bails if dislodged.
- In the event of rain, the pitch should be left. Any junior players should return to their parent/guardian if they are on a bench or the parent/guardian should collect the player if they are within the clubhouse. If clubhouse guidance for social distancing cannot be met, then participants should return to their own vehicle to maintain social distancing.
- Application of covers in the event of wet weather should be done whilst maintaining social distancing.
- The changing room building will be open for the sole use of the toilets – this will be the accessible toilet and all other areas blocked off. First aid will be available, and should a room be required access to the changing rooms will be given.

I accept the conditions and agree to abide by the requests of the Club Representative on Duty