

## Harvesters FC - Social Distancing Site requirements - Version 2 Aug 2020

- Only the AWP will be open for training space - no grass space
- Grass space will be used for matches from 22nd August
- Toilets open but new signage that queuing must be maintained under social distance guidance (2 meters apart)
- All changing rooms are closed - players must come ready to play
- Queuing markers have been marked around kiosk area and concrete standing area
- Viewing spaces have been marked out around the AWP for parents to view whilst maintaining social distance
- When spectators come to watch matches they must stand in groups of no more than 6
- Where possible we will be introducing a one way system on site, especially around Pitch 3
- We will be asking for volunteers to help to ensure cars park as close to their pitch destination as possible to avoid unnecessary walking around the grounds
- On 11 aside pitches to adhere to the 30 people on the pitch (including officials and coaches) a second technical area will be available for the substitutes.
- We will be looking to schedule matches with time between kick offs on the same pitch to allow for teams to leave and the next teams to arrive to the grass area to limit interaction
- Additional signage will be placed around the ground and on existing signs to remind the necessity of social distancing and hand washing.
  
- AWP will use both gates one as an entrance, lower gate is entrance and car park gate is the exit. This is really important when evening training sessions resume and Saturday morning training. Signage will be placed on both doors.
- Every child needs to be responsible for their belongings and drink bottle and to bring their own sanitiser where possible.
- Parents are encouraged to park in the car park and watch from viewing point.
- Once the session finishes each child will be sent out to their waiting parent via the top car park gate whilst maintaining social distance.
- Equipment available on site for managers: gloves, anti bacterial gel, sinks for hand washing
- Every manager will be provided with cleaning spray so that they can spray down any goals used and any shared equipment including training balls. It may be necessary to finish the session early to allow for this time.

## Managers and Coaches

### - **Admin Before Training and Matches**

1. If any player (or family member), or coach (or family) is showing any symptoms of COVID-19, they must not train or play and must inform their manager. There is a specific FA Health Check for every member to use as their guidance.
2. You must have parental consent for every player to train. This is linked in the Pitchero training/match management.
3. All training and matches must be loaded onto the Harvesters database through Pitchero (weekly training sessions have been loaded already). An alert will be triggered for attendance to be marked by the parent and this will then act as track and trace.

### - **Activity before Training and Matches**

4. Ask if players completed the self screen test before arriving.
5. Ensure where possible that all equipment, including footballs and shared equipment on the AWP/pitch have been cleaned prior to the session.
6. Ensure each player knows where to leave their drinks/bag and that it should not be touched by another person.
7. Ensure parents are within sight, but that they are socially distant.
8. Participants should follow best practice for travel including minimising use of public transport and walking or cycling if possible. People from a household or support bubble can travel together in a vehicle
9. Players should arrive ready changed for the match - no changing rooms will be open.

## **During Training and Matches**

1. Ensure players do not touch the equipment (markers, goals etc) Where possible, coaches should only handle equipment in training;
2. In the event of an injury to a player during the session, ensure that all other players clear the space and assess the injured player immediately. If you can, keep 2 metres apart, but in an Emergency where First Aid is required you must treat the player per First Aid emergency guidance. If it is not an emergency, but the player requires assistance their Parent/Carer must be alerted, ensure you keep 2 metres apart while this is completed;
3. Everyone should self-assess for COVID-19 symptoms before every training session or match. If you are symptomatic or living in a household with possible or actual COVID-19 infection you must not participate or attend;
4. Clubs and facility providers should ensure that their facility is compliant with current Government legislation and guidance related to COVID-19;

5. Competitive training is now permitted, with groups limited to a maximum of 30 people, including coaches;
6. Competitive match play is permitted, with social distancing in place before and after the match, and in any breaks in play;
7. Players and officials should sanitise hands before and after a game as well as at scheduled breaks throughout a game or training session;
8. Ball handling should be kept to a minimum with most contact via a boot and the ball disinfected in breaks of play; (spectators should not handle when ball in out of play)
9. Goal celebrations should be avoided;
10. Equipment should not be shared, and goalkeepers should ensure they disinfect their gloves regularly in breaks in training or matches and thoroughly afterwards. Where possible, coaches should only handle equipment in training.

#### **After Training**

1. Ensure the individual players vacate to waiting parent whilst maintaining social distance.
2. Remind the players to wash their hands as soon as they can - where possible parent/players to carry gel.
3. Clean down any shared equipment that is not removed from site with products provided.
4. Clean equipment and footballs as soon as possible before you arrive home, or in a safe place at home.
5. Ensure the manager/coach maintains highest standards of hand washing/gel before returning home or dispose of gloves worn.

## Parents

- Must provide written consent for your child to take part in each training session - medical form provided. Any COVID-19 symptoms to be disclosed to team manager from player or family member. Please see the FA self-screen checklist.
- Attendance for all training/matches must be marked in the Pitchero log in order to comply with track and trace requirements.
- A parent/carer must be in attendance throughout the session - watching in a designated space around AWP or pitch or waiting in personal car. You may be required for first aid purposes for your child.
- We can only have ONE parent/carer in attendance per player spectating each match through the month of September (siblings are permitted where there is no alternative arrangement) this is due to a maximum number of people being allowed on site. This will be monitored by Harvesters staff/volunteers and match day delegates.
- For training entrance to the AWP will be via the lower gate. Collection is from the car park gate. For matches please ensure you know which pitch your child is playing on and park as close to the pitch as space allows.
- Must ensure that hands are washed before the session starts and again once returning home - antibacterial gel can be used.
- Please reinforce the need to listen to coaches and managers instructions.

## Players

- Enjoy seeing their clubmates - treat each other with respect and compassion, understand that lockdown has affected people in different ways
- Observe social distance when the game/session is not in play
- Play football
- Listen and learn
- Smile!