Games at Southampton Hockey Club (as at April 12th 2021)

FACILITIES

- 1) Toilets will be available pitch side but changing rooms and showers will not be.
- 2) Unfortunately, post-match teas at The View will not be possible due to the current COVID-19 restrictions. The pub garden though may be available subject to the agreement of it's management.

COVID ARRANGEMENTS

- 1) All players (home and away) and match officials should be following the guidance issued by England Hockey, see the COVID-19 poster.
- 2) Players are reminded that outside of the "cage" the "Rule of Six" for gatherings currently applies. This means that you should wait in groups of no more than six with appropriate social distancing between members.
- 3) SHC Team Captains will ensure that players picked to play (and SHC umpires) have completed an EH Player Participation Agreement ("EH PPA") BEFORE being added to the team sheet. Opposition teams are expected to have checked that their players have completed an EH PPA as well.
- 4) If you are playing on Pitch 1 (nearest to the changing room block) please meet on the grass outside of the changing room block. If you are playing on Pitch 2 (nearest to the athletics track) please meet on the grass just outside of the gate to that pitch. **NEVER** walk across a pitch that you are not playing on.
- 5) Players, coaches, etc. from either side (or any umpires/match officials) <u>MUST NOT</u> enter the cage until the SHC Team Captain has reminded the AWAY team captain that only players/coaches who have completed an EH PPA can enter the cage. **DO NOT** enter the cage until everyone from the previous game has left the cage and the SHC Team Captain advises that your team may enter. There will be plenty of time for a warm up. **NO SPECTATORS ARE ALLOWED IN THE CAGE.**

(NOTE: In addition to players, each team is expected to only have a coach, a manager and a trained medic/physio in the cage. Others will be asked - and be expected - to leave the cage if so directed by the SHC Team Captain or any other SHC officer)

6) To manage Social Distancing we have changed pitch booking times and the length of the slots. Previously both pitches were booked for matches to start at the same time, these being 10.30am, 12.00pm, 1.30pm and 3pm (8 matches). Now pitch bookings start as follows, Pitch 1 bookings start at 10.00, 12.00, 2.00 & 4.00. Pitch 2 bookings start at 11.00, 1.00, 3.00 (7 games).

Using 1.00pm as an example we are expecting timings to be as follows:-

- 1.00 Enter cage, warm up (max 15 mins)
- 1.15 Start 1st half (allow 40 mins)
- 1.55 End 1st half (10 min half time max)
- 2.05 Start 2nd half (allow 40 mins)
- 2.45 End 2nd half (10 mins to pack up kit)
- 2.55 Everyone exits cage (5 mins before next booking starts)

These timings must be strictly adhered to.

- 7) During play, subs and coaches etc. <u>MUST</u> maintain social distancing on the sideline. (Dugouts can each take two people as an absolute maximum, one at either end)
- 8) At breaks in play, players; subs; & coaches etc. MUST maintaining social distancing. NO TEAM HUDDLES
- 9) At the end of the game you are asked to leave the cage as swiftly as possible, **VIA THE ENTRANCE YOU CAME IN THROUGH.**
- 9) Once the game has concluded SHC will send an e-mail to EH Track and Trace detailing:-
- i. Which Pitch was used (Southampton Sports Centre P1 or P2).
- ii. A list of all SHC players and any other club members/officials that were present within the cage, this includes club umpires.
- iii. The date/times that the team entered/exited the pitch.
- iv. Away teams will need (via their COVID-19 Officer) to do the same for their team and officials.

If there are any problems, questions, etc. please contact the Southampton HC Covid-19 Officer, David Rigby - davidrigby61@googlemail.com - 07740 699855.