

Key Points from this evening's Covid Presentation

- All players/coaches/parents/guardians/executive must take the online module before training resumes
- A minimum of 1 covid supervisor per team is required – may be augmented with another if team size should dictate
- No need for a Covid Officer (Club co-ordinator for team CS's)
- All players/coaches/covid supervisor/ medical support and others involved in a training session must complete a health check form prior to their first session (GAA only online system to be used, or hard-copy provided to the CS)
- All training sessions attended thereafter – a signed declaration (no change in health status since health check form submitted) must be provided to the CS for record
- Only players & management are allowed to be present for a training session. (No spectators)
- Underage players must be dropped off and collected.
- Thermometers are not required – no temperatures to be taken
- A toilet is to be provided (where available) – with managed access.
- No changing rooms.
- Ratios for u12 teams to be adhered to (1:8 plus one other adult)
- Ratios for o12 teams to be adhered to (1:10 plus one other adult)
- Female liaison officer must be present for girls training
- Sanitizer/hand washing facilities to be provided

Slides Used Below

Health Questionnaire Overview

1. The Health Questionnaire can be completed online or in hard copy, in which case it should be presented to the relevant Covid Supervisor on entry to the facility.
2. Each individual will be required to sign a declaration at each subsequent session to confirm their health status has not changed.
3. An online system for the Health Questionnaire - compliant with data protection legislation - will be provided centrally by the GAA, LGFA and Camogie Association. This is the only online system that should be used.
4. Full details in relation to the online solution will be circulated next week.

S4 – Club Summary & Checklist (P1)

- Circulate the latest Safe Return Guidelines - published 12.6.20 - to all Covid Supervisors/Club Officers, Players/Team Personnel, and Parents/Guardians.

- All attendees at training sessions or games have completed this eLearning module.

- Each team has a nominated Covid Supervisor.

S4 – Club Summary & Checklist (P2)

- Prepare Club Facilities in line with the recommendations in section 2 of the Guidelines.

- Establish and communicate a timetable system so that individual teams in each Club are aware of their allocated training times.

- Establish and communicate a process for administering the Health Questionnaires once details have been issued on the online solution.

Phase 3 – 29 June

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Pitches to open for small group training (adult and Juvenile)• All buildings remain closed (exception: toilet)• All training is non-contact in this phase• Small groups = 10 players/2 coaches in a dedicated area of the field• Players arrive and depart toggled out – “principle of get in, train and get out” | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Health Questionnaire must be completed• Covid Supervisor for each team• Underage players must be dropped off/collected• Only players/management permitted entry to grounds• Running, Aerobic, Agility, ball work – social distancing• No sharing of equipment, e.g. water bottles |
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Covid Officer or Covid Supervisors?

- There is no Covid “Officer” as such.
- The number of **Covid Supervisors** needed by each Club will be proportional to the size of the Club, i.e. the number of active teams and players within the Club.
- The Club Executive will communicate the details of the appointed Covid Supervisor(s) for each team to all Players, Parents/Guardians, etc. and ensure that appointed person(s) receive all necessary support to undertake the role.

Should Clubs purchase thermometers?

- Clubs should not invest in thermometers.
- The revised Guidelines on 12 June removed any requirement for Clubs to check temperatures on-site.
- The onus is now on the individual or Parent/Guardian for Underage Players.

Are hand gel dispensers needed if anti-bacterial soap and water is provided ?

- It is strongly recommended that hand dispensers be provided in the car park, toilets, entrance to pitch and pitch side.
- However, hand washing facilities and anti-bacterial soap will suffice.



Will Clubs receive guidance for purchasing things like signage, sanitiser and PPE?

- Guidance is available at learning.gaa.ie/covid19resources on the procurement of Covid-19 equipment and supplies that may be required to mitigate the risks in Clubs.
- Categories include:
 - Face coverings
 - Hand sanitiser dispensers / hand wash stations
 - Anti-bacterial disinfectant
 - Signage
- Guidance is subject to change based on Government guidelines.



How can we train/play and maintain physical distancing?

- Games Development Department are preparing content for coaches around phase 3
- Phase 4 will be full contact in accordance with the Govt. Roadmap
- Important to maintain social distancing off field.



What are the ratios for Adult to Child supervision? (Part 1)

- The Code of Behaviour (Underage) contains strict child safeguarding adult to child ratios which have been agreed by the Gaelic Games Associations, and are enshrined in our Rules. They are in place to ensure the safety of children coupled with realistic coaching numbers as follows:
 - 1:8 for children under 12 yr. olds plus one other adult
 - 1:10 for children over 12 yrs. of age plus one other adult
- The one other adult may be a Coach or a Supervisor (non-coaching) and may for convenience purposes act in that capacity for more than one team at a time.



Who must complete the Health Questionnaire? When? How often?

- The Health Questionnaire must be completed by:
 - Covid Supervisors and Club Officers
 - Players, and Parents/Guardians of Underage Players
 - Team Personnel such as Coaches, Managers and Medical Personnel
 - Referees
 - Anyone else present to run a training session/game
- The Questionnaire will need to be completed once before the initial return to training.
- Each individual will be required to sign a declaration at each subsequent session to confirm their health status has not changed.



What are the ratios for Adult to Child supervision? (Part 2)

- The Guidelines on Safe Return to Gaelic Games reference reduced numbers at training with a maximum of ten permitted in a group. However, when working with children and young people the ratios contained in the Code of Behaviour must be adhered to resulting in less than ten for groups involving children under 12 yrs. of age.
- Clubs are reminded where girls are participating in training or for girls only training a minimum of one female liaison officer is required to be present for the duration of the training session.



Who will monitor completion of the eLearning module?

- The onus is on Clubs to ensure that anyone entering their facilities for training/playing purposes have completed the eLearning module.
- Those who complete the module will be able to take print, download or take a screenshot of their Certificate of completion at the end of the module.



How many teams can a Player train with? How many can a Mentor coach?

- Players can train with multiple teams within the Club if they wish.
- No restriction on the amount of teams one can coach



How much contact can Players have with equipment such as footballs and sliotars?

- The Advisory Group is satisfied that the risk of transmission via equipment is low.
- Specific equipment such as footballs, sliotars and cones will be provided and will be sanitised.
- Coaches should ensure the minimum amount of equipment is used in sessions, e.g. cones, bibs, etc.
- All equipment used in sessions should be sanitised after each session and stored for use.
- Players must bring their own water bottles.



Who has ultimate responsibility?

- Everyone has a role to play.
- Ultimately, safe return to contact sports is the **PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY** of each participant.
- Members who have a concern regarding personal higher risk should discuss the situation with their GP before deciding on whether to return to activity.