

Warrnambool Basketball Incorporated

Return to Basketball - Action Plan

As of 18/06/2020

THE PURPOSE

The purpose of this action plan is to;

- ✓ Keep all WBI members, their families and the community safe, well, healthy and playing the game
- ✓ Provide all WBI members with clarity around our new procedures and guidelines relating to managing COVID-19
- ✓ Minimise opportunities for the virus to spread
- ✓ Minimise contact points between groups of people

If any of the below comments are relative to you, stay at home;

- ✓ Experiencing any cold or flu like symptoms
- ✓ Been in direct contact with a known case of COVID-19 in the previous 14 days
- ✓ Travelled internationally in the previous 14 days
- ✓ A high risk person from a health perspective, including; the elderly or those with pre-existing medical health conditions

KEY DATES & NUMBERS

JUNE 22

Full contact training permitted for those under 18 years of age, in accordance with the WBI Return to Training – Coaches Guide. Non contact training for over 18 years can commence.

JULY 11

* Junior Rep Ready Program commences*.

JULY 13

* Full contact training for those over 18 years of age were to commence, currently suspended until further notice.

JULY 20

* Junior Training Programs commence*

JULY 26

First date for Junior Squad Try-outs to commence

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Junior Domestic Competition commence*

AUGUST 31

* Senior Domestic Competition commence*, currently on hold UFN.

*Pending final Basketball Victoria approval.

WBI HYGIENE PROCEDURES

WBI hygiene procedures are steps that the WBI will take to ensure the health, safety and wellbeing of our community.



Score Bench

Each team is to provide 1 scorer as per BV guidelines. Scorers are to be seated 1.5m apart. All score bench equipment, including iPads must be sanitized at the end of every game by the court referees.



Team Benches

Benches must be wiped down and sanitized between each game by the court supervisors.



Referees

Referees are to use the hand sanitizer provided on the score benches at the beginning of each half, at each time out and at the end of the game. Together with the coaches, referees are to remind teams not to high five, and to keep social distancing in team huddles and bench seating.



Basketballs

Court Supervisors must sanitise all basketballs required for the night at the beginning of their shift. Court referees must then sanitise the basketball they have used before returning it to the court supervisor and swap over for a new ball for the next game.



Hand Sanitiser

All participants are required to sanitise their hands as they enter venues, as well as when they leave. Sanitisation will be available at entry/exit as well as on all courts.

VENUE ACCESS

Our venue will have a number of additional facilities that will have restricted access. This is to minimise the likelihood of COVID-19 spreading.

Water Fountains



Public water fountains will not be operational until further notice. The vending machine will not be in operation.

CHANGE ROOMS



Change rooms will not be accessible to the general members until we're unrestricted on the number of people we can have in our venues.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

WBI requires everyone who enters the venue to abide by the below Social Distancing rules.

Any player entering must be registered prior to their game. This ensures that every player participating is recorded on the PlayHQ data base and contact tracing can be completed.

Every member of the game, including coaches, **must** be recorded for the game on PlayHQ. It is particularly important that only those who are present are recorded as playing. Please do not add in players who are absent from the game.

Non Players who enter a WBI venue must scan in via the QR code provided at the entry of our venues. If you do not have a phone with this capability, the Stadium Manager/Council representative will manually enter your details for record keeping.

This scanning in process securely records contact details for 28 days of those attending our venues. This is for contact tracing purposes as well as acting as a confirmation that all who enter are aware of the WBI Return to Basketball – Action Plan. Further information can be found at [covidcomply.com.au](https://www.covidcomply.com.au).

At the completion of any activity, all participants need to leave the stadium as soon as possible. We have mandatory breaks in place between each activity and prompt departure will help keep our schedule running on time.

Please leave as soon as possible and do not congregate in the car parks. This will ensure there is minimal contact with the next group awaiting to go into the stadiums.

ENTRY & EXIT PROCEDURES

Strict entry and exit procedures are required to ensure that contact between groups of people using our venues is minimized.

Arrival
Time



Participants are not to arrive any earlier than 10 minutes prior to their scheduled training or game.

Waiting to
enter



Wait inside your car until the time in which you are asked to enter.

Entering
the venue



Members will not be able to enter the venue until instructed to do so by stadium staff.

SPECTATOR ACCESS

Warrnambool Basketball can only allow 1 parent (no siblings) into our venues until Government/Council restrictions ease further.

At this point in time, only participants + 1 as above + Coach and officials to run the games will be allowed into our venues.

Allowing more spectators into enjoy their family participating in the sport they love is a priority of ours, however, we must wait until we receive further updates from the Victorian State Government to do so.

PERSONAL HYGIENE PROCEDURES

Personal hygiene procedures are steps that all WBI members are required to complete before, during and/or after attending WBI venues for training or competition.



Shower

All participants are required to shower before attending WBI venues and once they get home from WBI venues.



Towels

Participants are to provide their own towels, clearly named. Sharing of towels is strictly prohibited.



Dress

All participants are required to dress before attending WBI venues, the only exception being putting Basketball shoes on once inside the venue.



Basketballs

For training, participants are to bring their own ball & sanitise it with wipes before + after training.



Drink Bottles

Participants need to bring their own water bottles, clearly named. Water fountains will not be accessible. Sharing of water bottles is strictly prohibited.



Hand Sanitiser

All participants are required to sanitise their hands as they enter WBI venues, as well as when they leave.

SOCIAL DISTANCING

Warrnambool Basketball Incorporated requires everyone who enters our venues are to abide by the below Social Distancing rules.

Keep 1.5 metres away from people you don't live with

Don't shake hands, hug or kiss as a greeting, no high fives

Be patient in lines, allow people their 1.5m of space

Wash hands regularly for at least 20 seconds using soap + water

Cover your mouth + nose with a tissue/your elbow when coughing/sneezing

Avoid touching eyes, nose + mouth with unwashed hands

Stay at home if you're unwell or showing symptoms of COVID-19

PLAYERS & TEAM STAFF

Any players or coaches who have any of the following, are not to participate in their training/games; Experiencing any cold or flu symptoms; Been in direct contact with a known case of COVID-19 in the previous 14 days; Travelled internationally in the previous 14 days; A high risk from a health perspective, including the elderly, and those with pre-existing medical health conditions.

- ✓ All players and coaches **must** be fully registered and insured before the start of the game and ensure all details are correct on PlayHQ/Try Booking.
- ✓ Player payments must be completed by players only and cashless payment is preferred.
- ✓ Drink bottles and towels can be kept on player benches at 1.5m distances from others.
- ✓ Players are to use the hand sanitiser provided on the court score benches at the beginning of each half, at each time out and at the end of the game. They must also use this when returning from the court from any substitution.
- ✓ There must be no high fives or shaking of hands. Team benches and huddles must also be done within social distancing guidelines.
- ✓ Each team is allowed to bring in a maximum of 2 basketball's. These are to be sanitised with the wipes available at score benches before use.
 - It is suggested that teams organise who is responsible for bringing basketballs prior to the game.
 - Additional balls will not be allowed into stadiums.

BIOSECURITY OFFICIALS

Basketball Victoria (BV) is committed to the safe return to sport of all participants following the COVID-19 pandemic. To monitor and manage the reactivation of the sport, Basketball Victoria has committed to the Victorian Government that all venues will have a nominated Biosafety Officer (BSO) wherever the venue is in use.

Who?

The BSO may hold multiple duties at the same time provided, they can prioritise the responsibilities of the BSO role when required. For domestic competitions, Committee members and Referee Supervisors will be the nominated BSO.

For training, BSO will be appointed.

Duties

- ✓ Will monitor no more than three (3) courts at a time
- ✓ Will complete the venue checklist prior to the commencement of training or games
- ✓ Will complete the venue checklist and record the number of participants within the venue during each allocated training or game timeslot
- ✓ Will ensure that equipment is sanitised in accordance with the RTS Guidelines
- ✓ When required, will ask patrons to separate, or leave the venue to comply with the RTS Guidelines
- ✓ Will return a signed checklist at the end of their shift.
- ✓ Will report any participant refusing to follow reasonable requests to the relative committee president.

Training

No formal training is required, however, WBI will have all Referees, Court Supervisors, Employees, Representative Coaches and Representative Team Managers complete the Australian Government's Infection Control Training – COVID-19 online.

COURT SUPERVISORS

Any Court Supervisors who have any of the following, are to inform their committee president and have their shift replaced; Experiencing any cold or flu symptoms; Been in direct contact with a known case of COVID-19 in the previous 14 days; Travelled internationally in the previous 14 days; A high risk from a health perspective, including the elderly, and those with pre-existing medical health conditions. All Court Supervisors must have completed the Australian Government's Infection Control Training – COVID-19 and read Basketball Victoria Return to Basketball Guidelines prior to their first shift. A copy will be kept at each venue.

- ✓ Upon entry to the stadium use hand sanitizer
- ✓ Use sanitizer wipes to wipe down all basketballs required for the night's use
 - 2 per court of required size(s)
- ✓ Are solely responsible for handling and setting up court equipment
- ✓ Use sanitizer wipes to clean iPad/laptops, on the completion of set up
- ✓ Whilst wearing disposable gloves, use sanitizer spray and paper towel to wipe down score benches, and court arrows prior to matches
- ✓ Blood kits and towels are to be kept in court tubs under the score bench
- ✓ Laminated scoring rules and scoring guides are to be placed atop score benches. Court folders are to be kept in stadium offices and can be accessed from the court supervisors when/if needed.
- ✓ Use hand sanitiser after every cash transaction. Cash should be avoided where possible. Wipe down eftpos with sanitiser wipes after every transaction.
- ✓ Court supervisor will be required to enter/confirm team players onto the iPad and confirming all players, coaches present for the game are recorded in PlayHQ

REFEREES: PART A

Any referees who have any of the following, are to inform Helen Derzsi and have their games replaced; Experiencing any cold or flu symptoms; Been in direct contact with a known case of COVID-19 in the previous 14 days; Traveled internationally in the previous 14 days; A high risk from a health perspective, including the elderly, and those with pre-existing medical health conditions. These conditions will apply when return to play competition commences and can be altered as needed.

- ✓ All referee supervisors must have completed the COVID infections control training prior to their first shift.
- ✓ All referees must read the Basketball Victoria Return To Sport Guidelines and the WBI Return to Basketball – Action Plan, complete with signature before their first scheduled games.
- ✓ Referees must shower at home before and after your games. You must also prepare and dress for games at home.
- ✓ Before the start of each game referees are responsible for;
 - Sanitising score bench, iPad, arrows and rules
 - Collecting sanitised game ball from the court supervisor
 - Instruct each team to use hand sanitizer on entering the court. This is also a requirement throughout the game when players return to the court from time outs, substitutions and the half time break.
 - Together with the coaches, referees are to remind teams not to high five, and to keep social distancing in team huddles and bench seating.

REFEREES: PART B

Any referees who have any of the following, are to inform Helen Derzsi and have their games replaced; Experiencing any cold or flu symptoms; Been in direct contact with a known case of COVID-19 in the previous 14 days; Traveled internationally in the previous 14 days; A high risk from a health perspective, including the elderly, and those with pre-existing medical health conditions. These conditions will apply when return to play competition commences and can be altered as needed.

At the completion of the game, referees in conjunction with Courts Supervisors are responsible for the following on the court they are officiating;

- ✓ 20 minutes is to be put on the clock
- ✓ Games are to be confirmed on the iPad
- ✓ Sanitise iPad, scorepad, arrows, rules and score bench
- ✓ Sanitise game ball with sanitiser wipes and return to Court Supervisor
- ✓ Swap the used basketball for a sanitised ball from the Court Supervisor
- ✓ Assist in the prompt exiting of the crowd
- ✓ Drink bottles can be kept opposite to the score bench on the sideline
- ✓ There are no 'spare' whistles for use
- ✓ If referees become aware of any person on their court not complying with the return to sport guidelines, they are to bring it to the attention of the Bio Safety Officer/Court Supervisor to remedy

All referees are to;

- ✓ Only use the whistle when necessary (e.g. do not blow whistle to signal end of time-out or at other times the game is already stopped)
- ✓ Use short, sharp whistle blow. No long hard blows.
- ✓ Do not officiate when feeling unwell
- ✓ Use hand sanitiser at every break in the game (time-outs, between quarters, substitutions)
- ✓ Blow whistle facing away from players
- ✓ Maintain 1.5m distancing as best as possible from players and benches;
- ✓ Limit handling the game ball

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Warrnambool Basketball Incorporated will continue to adapt and change our policies and procedures as the Victorian Government continues to lift their COVID-19 restrictions.

We are committed to getting every one of our members, and all their families back on court and actively engaged in our great game, however, our absolute priority is the health, safety and wellbeing of our community.

WBI reserves the right to remove anyone from our venues if they do not comply with our Return to Basketball – Action Plan.