



2020 Return to Play

COVID Plans for
Coaches and Managers
(and information for parents)



INDEX

1. COVID Safe Plan
2. COVID Regulations
3. Car park Rules and Locations
4. Training Times and Locations
5. Amenities
6. Season Schedule
7. Season Rules
8. Stay Informed



COVID Safe Plan

- Football Queensland has worked with other sporting codes to receive the approval of the Sports COVID Safe Plan
- Ensuring safe return to sport requires full compliance with these plans
- Non-compliance may result in significant fines for people and clubs, and also the cancellation of the season
- Outbreaks of COVID could result in Qld reverting to more stringent controls
- Our Club's Board has been meeting frequently, and participating with Football Brisbane and Football Queensland meetings to get football back as soon as is safe and practicable. Planning and adjusting has been constantly happening.
- To ensure successful compliance, the three key criteria we are to focus on are:
 1. Hygiene
 2. Distancing
 3. Contact Tracing



COVID Regulations

- Stage 2: 8 June – 10 July
- Maximum 20 people per training group (including parents, coaches, players, close spectators)
- Session times on each zone must be spaced 15 minutes apart
- Arrival at club as close to session commencing as possible (no more than 15min prior)
- Depart club immediately after session completed, no loitering or gathering to happen
- Arrivals and Departures are to be staggered between the zones
- Use hand sanitizer before, during and after sessions
- Do not share equipment or clothing, eg water bottles, bibs, shirts, etc
- No headers or handling of footballs eg no throw ins; no matches
- Maintain 1.5m physical distancing rules
- Comply with all field entry and exit procedures as nominated by the club
- Ensure contact details and attendance records are maintained and submitted promptly after training
- No use of buildings and players are to arrive and depart in their playing clothes (no amenities)
- All players must be fully registered before they can commence training.



COVID Regulations

- To Comply:
 - Each team must nominate a COVID Coordinator. This person:
 - Collates the daily attendance and contact details of players and support crew - <https://footballqueensland.com.au/wp-content/uploads/2020/06/FQ-Training-Attendance-Stage-2-V2.pdf>
 - This is submitted to the club at covid@gapfootball.org.au
 - Ensures the team maintains the 20 person cap and supports the coach to maintain the 1.5m spaces
 - Prepares the training zone by wiping down any surfaces, setting up hand sanitizer at the entry and exit of the zone
 - Ensures the players comply with entry and exit requirements (no unnecessary touching of surfaces, take home all possessions, etc)
 - Reports to the club any issues with compliance and ensures the team has adequate sanitizer supplies. More can be requested through the above email address
 - Minirooms: this person is required to collect and return the players to the carpark Drop Off and Pick Up zones
 - Bubblers and Toilets at the Club are not available during Stage 2 (under review for Stage 3).



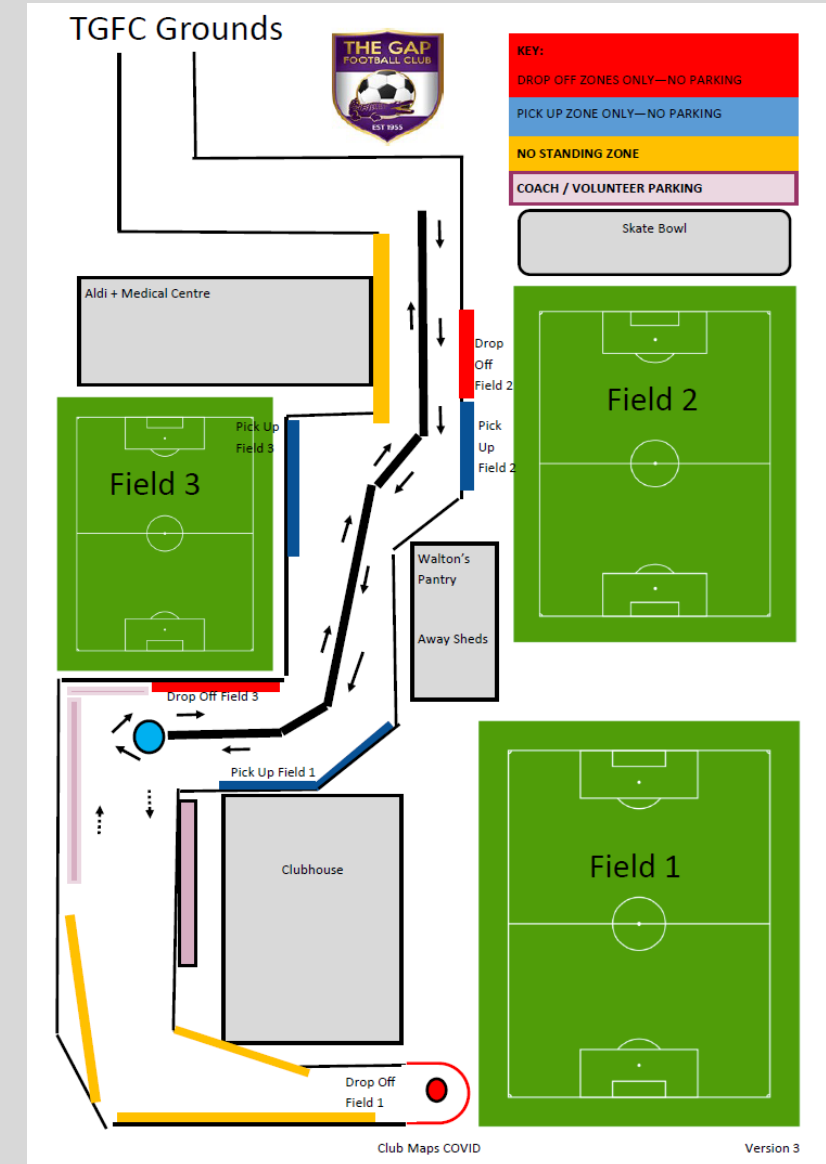
Car Park Rules and Locations

- To Comply:
 - The club must allocate separate entry and exit points for each field, and direction of travel is to be maintained in singular direction. In other words, we can not use one gate for players to both enter and exit through.
 - We have therefore had to develop complex travel zones around the club and carpark.
 - During Stage 2 the Car Park is now a Drop off / Pick Up Zone from 3.30pm until 7.30pm.
 - Maps have been produced and will be distributed to assist with traffic flow and ensure as smooth as possible a transition between spaces and sessions.
 - **Players and Parents must fully understand (prior to arriving at the club) where and when they are allocated to arrive, train, and depart.**
 - The club will provide traffic controllers until 7.30pm during week 1 and 2.
 - Parking is not provided for parents or spectators. Parking may be available at the shopping centre. NB. Please do not park at the neighbouring medical centre.
 - Parking after 7.30pm will revert to normal routine, but field entry/exit plans remain in place.
 - NB. TGFC does not own the carpark so while we can plan for a full implementation, we may be restricted if other users do not cooperate. In such circumstances we will have to modify plans.
 - We ask everyone's tolerance, understanding and support through these times.



Car Park Plan

- This Map will be available via the club Website and Email to all Club Members.
- Encourage parents and players to pay notice of which Zones they need to use.
- Follow the directions given by traffic controllers.





Training Rules and Locations - Players

- To Comply:
 - All players must be fully registered before they can commence training.
 - **Players and Parents must fully understand (prior to arriving at the club) where and when they are allocated to arrive, train, and depart.**
 - Miniros COVID Coordinators need to gather and return teams to the pickup/drop off zones.
 - Players are to use the correct entry point to their training zone. Players are not to walk against the flow. Single travel paths have been devised.
 - Players are to use the correct exit point to the correct pick up zone.
 - Players are to maintain physical distancing rules and non-contact requirements.
 - Training times have been significantly altered to cater to our large number of teams, and the fact we presently cannot use other locations
 - We are hoping for further relaxations and training locations by start of Term 3



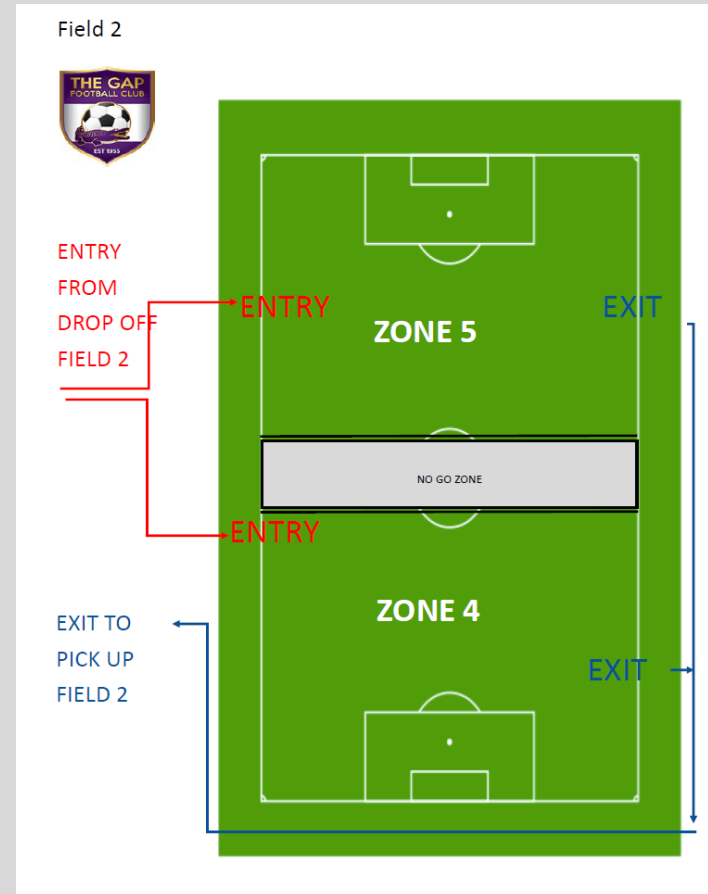
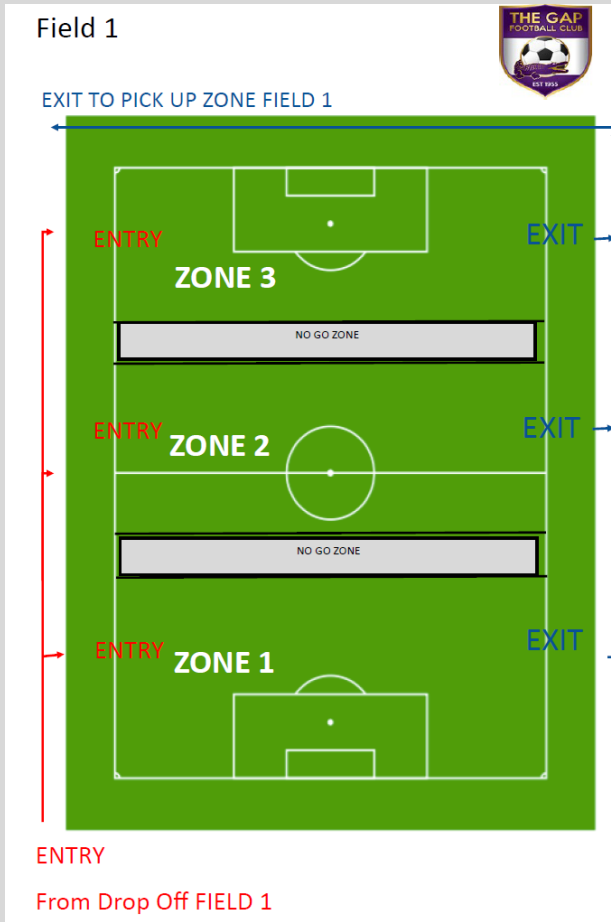
Training Rules and Locations - Coaches

- To Comply:
 - Please ensure you have a clear understanding of your training space, time and COVID requirements
 - Your Football Director will advise you of your training space and time
 - All training equipment is to be sterilised after each session. Includes balls, poles, cones, mini goals, etc
 - Some may choose to wash the equipment in buckets of soapy water; others may find using steriliser wipes adequate; all are required to be dried fully before repacking.
 - During Stage 2 field goals are not in use.
 - Mini-games are not allowed during sessions.
 - Speak to your Technical Director for guidance around appropriate activities and timelines for sessions.
 - Some teams may not require their full training time, in which case they are able to finish early or start their session late, but must not breach either end of their allocated time. If you intend to adjust your session time you must advise the age coordinator so the car park roster can adjust.
 - Remind players to use hand sanitiser and provide drink breaks during sessions. Players **MUST NOT** share water bottles.
 - Bubblers and Toilets at the Club are not available during Stage 2 (under review for Stage 3).



Training Zones

- These maps will be available via Website and Email to all Club Members.
- Encourage parents and players to pay notice of which Zones they need to use.





Training Schedule – Parents / Players

- Your Football Director (or Age Coordinator/Team Manager for Miniros) will advise you of your training space and time
- We know the training schedule is far from ideal
- We appreciate your patience and support while we do all we can to get football back on the park, safely
- The training schedule will be reviewed when either COVID restrictions are eased, or Stage 3 commences (whichever is sooner)



Amenities

- During Stage 2 Club buildings must remain locked
- Requirements to provide safe access to toilets are prohibitive for the small group of volunteers required to maintain COVID safety compliance. We have therefore determined that during Stage 2 the toilets will also remain locked. We apologise for any inconvenience and urge all participants to use the bathroom at home before attending the club; and in emergencies the toilets at the shopping centre are available.



Season Schedule

- Minirosos, SAP: 17/7 – 30/10 (1 week break in Sept holidays 29/9)
[only 4 rounds during Term 4]
- BPL, BYPL, Div I: 24/7 – 20/11
- Youth Divisional, City: 24/7 – 6/11
- NPLW U13,15,18: 17/7 – 8/11 (0 mid week games scheduled)
- NPLW Opens: 24/7 – 14/11 (incl 2 mid week games)
21/11 – 28/11 (Finals)



Season Rules – FB Competitions U12+

Are restarted from scratch

No Finals – competition split after first round - winner of top pool = Premier

No promotion/relegation (except Men's Capital League 1, 2, 3)

Borrowing: Players can play up 7 games; Game 8 = permanent

Unlimited Subs;

48hr rule between games waived but maintaining 24hr if possible

Current Red Cards stand

Current Yellow Cards are reset



Season Rules – NPLW Competitions

Subs: NPLW Opens: maximum 5

NPLW U13 / 15/ 18: unlimited

Competition: Opens: continuing from pre COVID restrictions



Changes to start time rules

Miniroos Kickoffs: from 8am

Juniors Kickoffs: from 8.30am | by Friday 5.30pm | by Sunday 5pm

Seniors kickoffs: from Friday 6pm | by Saturday 8pm | by Sunday 6pm



Football Brisbane Schedules

Miniroos

Team nominations close on 19/6

Publish first 4 week draw on 8/7

All other teams

Team nominations close 26/6

Publish first 4 week draw on 16/7



Stay Informed

- Download COVID Safe App
- 'Like' Gap Football on Facebook
- Check the Club Website
- Check your Emails (keep the club updated with changes)