



# Bishops Cleeve Colts FC

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## BCC FC Spring Covid-19 Activities Guidance

FA guidelines for return to competitive grassroots: <https://www.gloucestershirefa.com/news/2021/mar/24/return-to-grassroots-football-guidance-24-march-2021>  
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BCC FC News & Events: <https://bishopsclivecolts.co.uk/news-events/>

### Introduction – changes are in bold

The following guidance for parents, players and club officials attending events at BCC FC on the Bishops Cleeve Parish Sports or at Kayte Lane has been prepared by the BCC FC Covid-19 officer. It is a summary and does not replace government guidance except where allowed by The full FA guidance – organized sports being exempted from some Covid-19 restrictions. Please note the NHS Test and Trace provisions below, through which we will take a cautious approach to continuing with activities if local infections occur. The club has a risk assessment for our specific circumstances, agreed with our facilities providers. It will be posted on our website. Our club insurance covers public liability and player injury and remains valid provided FA Guidance is followed. This guidance will remain in place from through until 21<sup>st</sup> June at the earliest, or whenever the Step four lockdown easing occurs.

### Before an event

No-one should leave home, or attend training or matches, if they, or someone they live with, has Covid-19 symptoms.

If you are symptom free, please bring a named water bottle and preferably some hand sanitizer, clearly marked as their own.

Wear full playing kit – there will not be changing rooms.



### Travel to an event



Please walk or cycle to events if possible. Please travel with people in your household support bubble if possible. If you need to share transport, e.g. to away games, please try to share transport with the same people each time, and take reasonable precautions; clean the vehicle between journeys, open windows if possible, sit apart if possible. You must wear face coverings whilst inside the vehicle, and sanitise hands on arrival.

### Arrival

BCC FC have arrangements to enable spreading out on busy Saturday & Sunday matchdays and at training. See the club News & Events web-pages for up to date details: <https://bishopsclivecolts.co.uk/news-events/>.

Games and parking at Kayte Lane.  
<https://bishopsclivecolts.co.uk/u9-mini-soccer-at-bcc-fc-during-covid-19/>

**U9 Mini-Soccer**

Games and parking at Bishops Cleeve Parish Sportsfield.  
<https://bishopsclivecolts.co.uk/u8-u10-mini-soccer-at-bcc-fc-during-covid-19/>

**U8, U10 Mini-Soccer**

Games at Bishops Cleeve Parish Sportsfield, Parking at Kayte Lane.  
<https://bishopsclivecolts.co.uk/u11-u12-9v9-at-bcc-fc-during-covid-19/>

**U11-U12 9v9**

Games and parking at Bishops Cleeve Parish Sportsfield.  
<https://bishopsclivecolts.co.uk/u13-and-above-11v11-at-bcc-fc-during-covid-19/>

**U13+ 11v11**

Training & parking at Kayte Lane for the Bishops Cleeve Parish Astro turf.  
<https://bishopsclivecolts.co.uk/all-ages-bcpc-astro-cage-training/>

**All Ages Astro Training**

**Arrivals Saturday morning training staggered with 7v7 games 11:00am. Grass training on other days must be notified to the club.**

**All Ages Grass Training**

### First Aid

Minor first aid can and should be provided by parents. First aid for short periods by managers & coaches must be with a face covering – but welfare of the child is paramount. Our teams have CPR face masks and volunteers can choose to perform CPR if they wish. There is an AED on site at both the parish Sportsfield and Kayte Lane sites.



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## Test and Trace

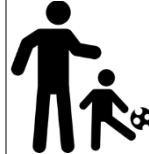
Match play is not considered close contact. However, football is an optional activity. School and work are not. Please co-operate with NHS Test and Trace activities for everyone's benefit. If you are happy to inform your team manager about a positive test in your family we can take action to avoid contact with other teams across the county and chaotic last minute match cancellations.



Each BCC FC team manager will act as lead person for their team.



The team manager will maintain a register of which players attended which sessions, and of which other teams have been played and when.



NHS Test and Trace will only contact children through parents. Therefore parental contacts we have for each player will act as the lead person for each player's family group.

It is BCC FC's intention that if we are informed of a positive test within a team's immediate family group, for 14 days after last contact, that team may continue training in a socially distanced manner with informed consent from parents, but will postpone any matches in that period (at least one game). This is not a substitute for NHS Test and Trace, it is our decision to promote safe and confident return to regular football for all. Our decisions in no way imply self isolation – that is only directed by symptoms, positive tests, or advice from NHS Test and Trace. Teams that wish or need to postpone two games will be supported in that decision.

## Teams and Players

Maintain distancing before and after play, and during breaks. Do not mingle with people from outside the team during the event. Avoid team huddles, and hugging for goal celebrations. Cheer and clap opposition teams. Avoid handshakes. Let's do a respect hand-sanitisation rather than a respect hand-shake!



**Wipe down shared equipment (e.g. fixed goal posts) before and after use.**

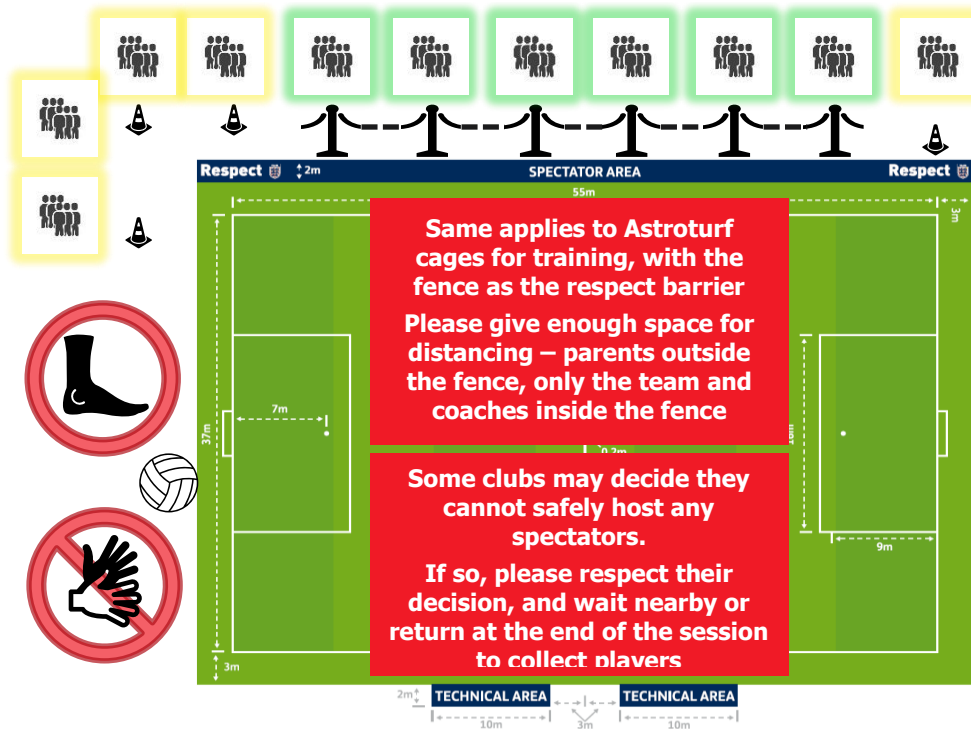
Players, please take home, wash, and bring again next time, kit such as bibs.

**Spectators are not permitted. One parent per player may attend in a safeguarding role – see First aid above**

## Example for a 7v7 Game

extra space if needed

From 29<sup>th</sup> March people may watch, in groups of six at most, in outdoor settings. One parent or carer per player only.



## Rule of Six (or Two...)

Parents spectating games must maintain 1m+ social distancing stay in groups appropriate to the current Covid Tier for the area. Pitch sizes vary, meaning, with 4m spacing between groups:

- 5v5 games fit four groups of six across a 37m pitch.
  - 7v7 games fit six groups of six across a 55m pitch.
  - 9v9 games fit seven groups of six across a 65m pitch.
  - 11v11 games fit nine groups of six across a 90m pitch.
- If more space is needed please do not crowd mark out respect areas at the corners of the pitches to create more.

## Ball Out of Play

Make space to let the players retrieve the ball if possible. Otherwise use feet, not hands to retrieve the ball.



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