



### Covid-19 risk assessment – Deddington Town FC – youth teams

Covid-19 is a new illness that can affect your lungs and airways. It is caused by a virus called Coronavirus. It is spread through small droplets from the respiratory tract. Symptoms can be mild, moderate, severe or fatal.

<b>Players and persons from the same house must not attend training sessions and matches if:</b>	✓ If they have COVID-19 symptoms - high temperature (above 37.8 degrees C); a new continuous cough; a loss of, or change to, normal sense of taste or smell.
<b>This Deddington Town FC risk assessment is guided by current Government guidance and these seven guides from the FA:</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Covid-19: Safeguarding risk assessment guidance – version 1.5 – 24 March 2021 [for clubs]</li><li>2. Covid-19: Step one guidance on the return of grassroots football – providers of indoor outdoor football facilities v1.6 – 24 March 2021</li><li>3. Covid-19: Step one guidance on return of grassroots football v 1.6 – 24 March 2021</li><li>4. First Aid Guidance for returning to outdoor competitive football v1.2 – 24 March 2021 [for clubs and coaches]</li></ol>

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<b>1. THE PLAYING ENVIRONMENT</b>				
(a) Covid-19 Club Officer and Team Covid-19 officer	Players Parents and Carers Coaches	The Club Covid-19 Officer is the Club Welfare Officer Each team has a nominated Team Covid-19 Officer	Green	<p>Club Covid-19 Officer communicates club and team roles to all parents and players through newsletter</p> <p>Team Covid-19 Officer to send weekly update to Club Covid-19 officer on any issues</p> <p>Club Covid-19 Officer to report any issues to Officers immediately to take appropriate action</p>

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(b) Club Covid-19 safety briefings	Players Parents and Carers Coaches	Club Covid-19 will provide safety briefing by email for all participants before a return to training and matches.  Updated safety briefings will take place as required if Government and FA guidance changes	Green	Club Covid-19 Officer to provide safety briefings  Team Covid-19 Officers to reinforce through weekly communications  Officers to take immediate action on any issues that arise
(c) Covid-19 self-assessment [p8 Covid-19: Step one guidance on return of grassroots football v1.6 – 24 March 2021]	Players Parents and Carers Coaches	Club will communicate to all participants about the requirement to carry out a self-assessment of player or household members before setting out for training or matches	Amber	Team Covid-19 officer to remind all participants in weekly communication about importance of self-assessment

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(d) Code of Behaviour [p16 <i>Covid-19: Step one guidance on return of grassroots football v1.6 – 24 March 2021</i> ]	Players Parents and Carers Coaches	Club Covid-19 Officer communicate Code of Behaviour through newsletter and regular updates		Team Covid-19 Officer to reinforce in weekly communication to participants Clear visible signage at all training and match venues
(e) Arrival at venues	Players Parents and carers Coaches	No participant should attend training or matches if they or anyone in their household display Covid-19 symptoms	Green	All coaches will send a standing item in their weekly communication to parents and players to reinforce this message about symptoms
(f) Travel to training and matches [see p 9 and p15 of <i>Covid-19: Step one guidance on return of grassroots football v1.6 – 24 March 2021</i> ]	Players Parents and carers	Only people who live in the same house or in support bubble can travel to training sessions and matches in the same vehicle.  Where possible it is encouraged players and parents & carers should walk or cycle to training sessions and matches	Green	Team Covid-19 officer communication to parents

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(g) Parking	Players Parents and carers Coaches	People traveling to training sessions and matches are encouraged to park with social distancing in mind. Where this is not possible please stagger getting in and out of vehicles	Green	Team Covid-19 officer communication to parents/carers
(h) Spectators	Parents and carers	2m social distancing to be in place at all times.  <b>Only one parent/carer per child at training and matches for safeguarding purposes</b>  Spectators need to be in discrete 6-person groups and maintain 2m social distancing	Amber	Team Covid-19 officer communication to parents/carers  Team Covid-19 officer and coaches cone off 2m spaces for spectators. Bag for named water bottle and named hand sanitiser in parent coned area.

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(i) General state of pitch	Players Coaches	Coach to check state of pitch prior to the session and set up in appropriate area.  Any dog mess to be cleared prior to the start of the session	Green	Coach communication to parents/carers
(j) Weather conditions	Players Coaches	Lead coach to make a decision based on the condition of the pitch. The interests and safety of the children are paramount with particular consideration for younger children. Ensure coach and player are appropriately dressed for the weather conditions.  In extreme conditions - both heat and cold – the session will be cancelled.	Green	Coach communication to parents/carers

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(k) Cold weather	Players Coaches	Coach and player to wear appropriate layers, hats and gloves as necessary.	Green	Coaches to communicate to parents
<b>2. SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN AND HEALTH AND WELFARE</b>				
(a) Safeguarding Children	Players Coaches	All coaches to have DBS check in place All coaches to have Safeguarding Children certificate in place All coaches to have Emergency 1 <sup>st</sup> Aid certificate in place	Green	Club Welfare Officer to check before training sessions take place.

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(b) First Aid	Players Coaches	Normal first aid kit to be provided. Parent deals with child injury in first instance. A supply of masks, gloves and aprons to be provided to all coaches if emergency aid is required. Gloves, masks and aprons will be worn when coaches are administering emergency aid in normal practices of good hygiene. For younger players the parent/carer will initially check the child's injury.	Green	Coaches to have fully stocked first aid bag in place for training  Emergency Action Plan to be in place for 2020/21 season and in first aid bag  Requirement of Covid-19 to be included in EAP for each team training and match venue
(c) Dehydration/exhaustion	Players Coaches	Drinks should be brought to sessions by individual player and clearly marked with player's name. Drinks cannot be refilled by the coach. Regular drinks breaks will be available during sessions.	Green	Coach to communicate to parents/carers in advance of training session



		Sun screen and caps recommended during hotter periods for younger players and named.		
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(d) Physical injuries from normal play	Players Coaches	<p>Players will warm up at the start of each session and this will be incorporated into the session.</p> <p>A well-stocked first aid kit is, always, present.</p> <p>To comply with social distancing, any injury will need to be treated by the player's parent/carer in a designated first aid area which will be marked out by cones (Safe Area).</p> <p>Players with illness or medical complaints should notify the coaches prior to the start of the session so that adequate measures can be taken.</p>	Green	Coach to communicate to parents/carers in advance of training, and to players and parents at start of session.

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(e) Hand hygiene <i>[p15 Covid-19: Step one guidance on return of grassroots football v1.6 – 24 March 2021]</i>	Players Coaches	All players and coaches are to wash their hands prior to leaving their house. When they arrive at training all players and coaches are to use alcohol hand sanitiser prior to each training session. After the training session has finished alcohol hand sanitiser must be used by players and coaches. Spitting it be discouraged by all.	Green	Team Covid-19 officer to communicate to parents in advance of training and remind at start of training session.
(f) Illness and covid-19 symptoms	Players Coaches Parents & carers	If any player is symptomatic, living in a household with a possible COVID-19 infection or are classified as extremely vulnerable on health grounds, the guidance is for the player to remain at home.	Amber	Team Covid-19 officer to communicate to parents/carers in advance of training session, and remind at start of training

### 3. PARENT AND PLAYER RESPONSIBILITY DURING COVID-19

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(a) Footwear	Players Coaches	<p>Coaches and players to wear appropriate footwear to prevent slipping in wet conditions.</p> <p>Astro-turf trainers to be encouraged for younger players during summer months as ground will be hard. If laces become untied, players must ask their parents/carers to help them tie them if they need help.</p> <p>Players and coaches to wear a clean kit that has been put on just before leaving for training.</p>	Green	Coaches to remind parents in advance of training.

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(b) Storage of drinks bottles	Players Coaches Parents & carers	Players will be asked to put their drinks in their own designated area which will be marked out by cones. Parents/carers will be asked to keep any drink they have with them at all times. Coach will put their own drink in a separate area away from the players and parents/carers.	Green	Team Covid-19 officer to communicate to parents – in advance of training and at start of training session

#### **4. MANAGER AND COACH RESPONSIBILITY DURING COVID-19**

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(a) NHS Track and Trace [p7 Covid-19: Step one guidance on return of grassroots football v1.6 – 24 March 2021]	Players Parents and Carers Coaches	NHS Test and Trace QR code to be used at training and match venues by all participants. Manual system in place as needed.	Amber	Club Covid-19 Officer to communicate importance of this in newsletter Team Covid-19 Officer to communicate in weekly message to participants and to be responsible officer at

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(b) Group sizes	Players Coaches	Training groups can be up to a maximum of 30 (including coaches) including the Coach with social distancing measures in place. If any Player becomes symptomatic of COVID-19, they (or their parent) must inform Covid-19 Officer at Deddington Town Football Club as soon as possible. The Coach must inform all Players who were working within that group and government guidelines on isolating must be followed - including the Coach	Green	training and matches Team Covid-19 officer to keep written register of parent and player attendance at each training session for Track and Trace purposes (name and mobile number)  Club Covid-19 officer to be informed to be informed by text as soon as case of covid-19 identified

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(c) Training session and matches <i>[p11-12 Covid-19: Step one guidance on return of grassroots football v1.6 – 24 March 2021]</i>	Players Coaches	If a group session with one ball is required no touching the ball with your hands. Social distancing is to be applied throughout the training session and matches. The FA detailed guidance (pp11-12) provides advice on social distancing during a training session and a match.	Green	Team Covid-19 officer to remind players at start of training session and matches
(d) Disinfecting equipment high hygiene standards	Players Coaches Parents & carers	All equipment will be cleaned thoroughly with disinfectant before and after each session. Bibs will be placed in black sack and washed by coach before next session. This will be the sole responsibility of the Team Covid-19 officer. Players and parents/carers will be asked to refrain from touching equipment with their hands during session.	Green	Covid-19 team officer to adhere to FA guidance on hygiene at training and matches  Covid-19 Club Officer to monitor any issues from team covid-19 officers  Team Covid-19 officer to complete DTFC Hygiene Checklist at each training session

				and match and retain for the season
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(e) Disposing of waste cleaning materials	Coaches	Any cleaning materials used should be double bagged and put into the nearest bin	Green	Team Covid-19 officer to dispose of waste materials
(f) Training times	Players Coaches Parents & carers	All training sessions are booked in advance at DTFC venues and gaps between sessions to avoid congestion. Training takes place from 1 Sept 2020 to 5 June 2021 will take place at Warriner, Wykham Park, and Windmill AWC are arrangements are in place at these venues.	Green	Team Covid-19 officer will ensure participants avoid close contact at cross over between training slots.

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<p>(g) Social distancing measures  <i>[p11-12 Covid-19: Step one guidance on return of grassroots football v1.6 – 24 March 2021]</i></p>	<p>Players  Coaches  Parents &amp; carers</p>	<p>On arrival, Players and parents/carers will be asked to stand in a designated coned area.  The Coaches will be stood in an area that is at least, 2m away from the players and parents/carers.  Coaches to direct Players and parents/carers to their 'safe area' where they will put their bag with named drinks water bottle and named hand sanitiser.  Parents/carers will be asked to remain in their 'safe area' at all times unless they are tending to an injury to the Player. Coaches to mark out a specific area for training and all drills are to be carried out with social distancing measures of at least 2m.</p>	<p>Green</p>	<p>Club Covid-19 Officer to communicate to all participants through newsletter   Team Covid-19 officer to communicate in weekly communication to parents and players</p>



## Risk assessors

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