

MK Wanderers COVID Guidelines for Match Play Home Games

Now the UK Government has approved for competitive grassroots football and training sessions to re-start, this detailed guidance has been produced by The FA in relation to football in England. It applies to 11-a-side youth and adult football, as well as the small-sided game.

As a club/football facility provider, you should ensure your facility is compliant with current UK legislation, including legislation and guidance specific to Covid-19. This includes strict adherence to social-distancing protocols, whether outside or inside in areas where people can congregate, e.g. clubhouse.

MK Wanderers F.C has created its framework and considered all the F.A Guidelines. This d sets forward the expectation for all coaches, parents, match officials and players to ensure adherence and ultimately the protection and wellbeing of everyone visiting the club for a match against any of our squads.

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Before the Game

Track and Trace

- MK Wanderers F.C privacy notice can be located [here](#), This link includes Club Privacy Notice and Our Updated COVID Privacy Notice.
- MK Wanderers F.C will be the sole controller of the data, this data will only be shared if the track and trace initiative is initiated, as an organisation we will adhere to the Governments and NHS instructions on Track and Trace, the procedure can be located [here](#).
- Every person including the coach, spectator, player and match official's, will be required to complete the track and trace link, or scan a QR Code.
 - <https://bit.ly/2CKpYVG>



- The onus is on every individual attending to take responsibility and complete the track and trace procedure if anyone is found not completing the link, the individuals (Parents/Player/Official) will be asked to leave KHP.
- The home team official is to issue the link and QR Code to the opposition for everyone attending to complete.
- If an Official referee is appointed or not part of the home squad officiates the match, the official is to complete the link too.

Risk Assessment

- Our risk assessment document is to be issued the away team management too before the game.

Affiliation Number

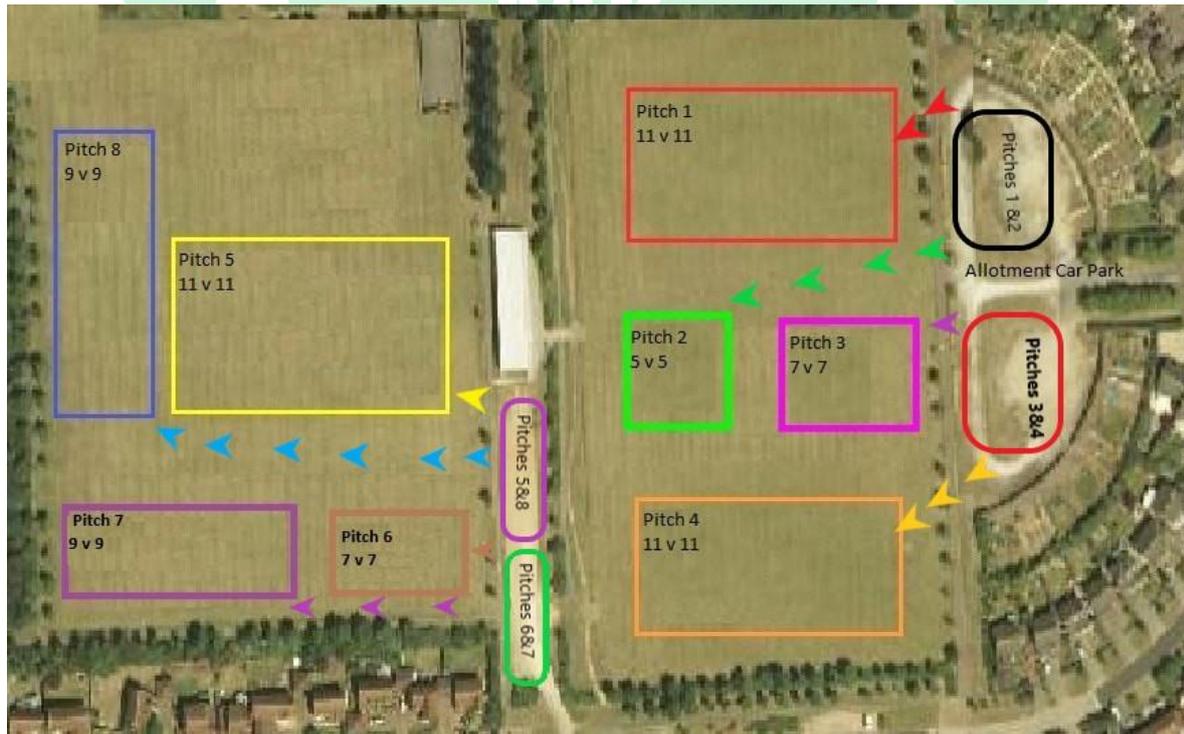
- Our Affiliation Number is to be issued to the opposing coach before the game.
 - W-B&B3544

Kick-Off Times

- The early KO Time has been amended to 09:00 with immediate effect
- 11 AM KO is the second Slot
- 13:30 KO is the third slot
- **There will be no more than 4 games authorised to be played at KHP per slot.**
 - **Two on each side of the Club**
 - **When booking a game only pitch 2 and 3 can be used at the same time, no 11 v 11 games can be scheduled.**
 - **If pitch 1 or 4 are in use, Pitch 2 & 3 cannot be used.**
 - **Only Pitch one 7v7 game and 9v9 game can be played or two 9v9 games on the top field.**
 - **If the 11 V 11 pitch (Pitch 5) is booked no other games can take place at all.**
- **Please review pitch bookings [here](#)**
- **First come first serve basis, the club will cancel any bookings that contravene the above.**
- **If in doubt, ask.**

Parking

- If Playing on Pitches 1,2,3 or 4, every team opposition and Home are to park in the bottom car park.
- Pitch 1 and 2 will park on the Right-hand side of the car park and *Pitches 3 and 4 on the Left-hand side.*
- If playing Pitches 6 and 7, park by the parking barrier.
- If playing Pitches 5 and 8, parking is closest to the clubhouse.
- **Please ensure all volunteers are aware of where each team should park.**



Spectators

- *Only the parents bringing the players to the match are to spectate the game, where additional children are within the household attend the game, it is the parent's responsibility to ensure they remain socially distanced at all times before and during the match.*
- *No spectators are allowed that are not from the same household as the players, this applies to all junior, youth and adult fixtures.*

Entrance to Pitches

These will be as per our current COVID Guidelines.

Arriving at the Game

- Players, Parents and match officials are only allowed to arrive 30 minutes before the game.
- Coaches allow enough time to prepare the field of play.

Preparing for the Match

- Ensure Sanitation station is set up outside the clubhouse for toilets.
 - To include Hand Sanitiser
 - Sanitizer Wipes.
- Coaches/Volunteer is to wipe down Toilet door handles, taps and toilets.
- All equipment for sanitising is to be stored in the area outside the toilets and locked away after every game.
- Only coaches and coach's family can set up the field of play.
 - This includes
 - The construction of the goals
 - The corner flags
 - The respect line is to be cones placed 3 meters from the sideline.
 - These cones are to be sanitised, before and after the match.
 - **Normal respect barriers are not to be used at the moment.**
- Coaches are to cone off a technical error for each coach 3m x 3m
- Coaches are not to leave these during the game, unless
 - **Called by a match official.**
 - **Or to administer first aid.**
- Cones are to be placed outside the technical area, one for each player, 1m apart and a meter from the technical area.
 - During gameplay, all subs are to remain on their cone, and not run around or engage in playing around, while gameplay is taking place.
 - When there break in play, all players are to remain on their respective cone
 - Water is to be placed on their respective cone, and there is no sharing of water between players.
 - No bibs to be used for subs at all.
- These guidelines apply to the opposition and the home team.
- Ensure there is sanitiser placed on the halfway line.
- Three training balls are to be used for the game.
 - These are to be sanitised in front of the opposition coach.
 - These balls are to be retained by the home team coach, in his technical area.
- Ensure first aid kit is visible and full stock.
- **NO COACHING BENCHES FOR SUBS ARE TO BE USED BY HOME OR AWAY TEAMS FOR SUBS. (The club do not feel that players can be socially distanced with the use of these)**

Before the game

- **All parents and spectators are to remain in their vehicle until 10 minutes before KO. Players are to be dropped off to the coach.**
- **Briefing needs to be held with parents by away and home team coaches that they may be required to administer first aid, and if called upon, they will need to enter the field of play for their player.**
- Ensure the home team and opposition hands are sanitised, including coaches, players and match officials.
- There is to be no handshake before the game.
- All coaches for all matches at KHP meet at the Clubhouse 10 minutes before KO. This is to complete the team briefing. This is to be completed by the most Senior Person at KHP on the day, this will be agreed before the games KO.
 - The briefing to be completed is: -
 - **Be aware of your own personal health.** If you show any of the Covid-19 symptoms you must stay at home, inform NHS Test and Trace and seek medical advice.

Be responsible. Read the guidance provided by The FA and by your club so that you are aware of the changes to the game and what is expected of you. This will include things like being prepared to wash your own kit, bringing your own labelled water bottle and being aware of changes to meet-up times.

Practise good hygiene. Wash your hands regularly and before, during and after a game.

Where possible maintain social distancing. This won't always be possible in a competitive match environment (for example when tackling an opponent) and that is acceptable. However, before, and after a game, you should maintain social distancing.

Support NHS Test and Trace. You're likely to be asked to provide your details so that in the event of a Covid-19 outbreak those potentially infected can be traced. This is to everyone's benefit so please cooperate

- Ensure opposition and home parents are in groups no bigger than six and socially distanced as per government guidelines.
- Anyone found not socially distancing and that has been requested to social distance and doesn't will be asked to leave KHP.
- *Where an official referee is to be paid, the club will pay the referee electronically to their bank account, the coach will need to acquire the referee's bank details and forward them to the club. Once the game has been concluded advise the club that the game has been played and payment will be issued to the referee. IF the referee requests payment in cash, this is to be placed in a sealed envelope and given to the referee (As per league Guidance).*

During the Game

- There is to be no spitting or screaming by anyone (Other than possibly players screaming on the field of play, however this should be limited)
- No goal celebrations.
- Only the three balls sanitised and in the home coach's technical area should be used.
- If the ball leaves the field of play, it is not to be touched by anyone, parents/spectators.
- The player is to pass the ball back to the home team coach and a sanitised ball is to be used to resume play.
- The ball that left the field of play is to be re sanitised, immediately.
- Set plays should be taken as quickly as feasibly possible, to limit contact.
- If First Aid is required, please refer to the First Aid Section.
- When a player is subbed, the player going on and the player coming off are to sanitise their hand immediately.
- The FA guidelines state there should be more frequent breaks in the game, therefore games should be played in 4 equal quarters.
- When there is a break in play the following should take place.
 - Goals, player's hands, Goalkeepers Gloves need to be sanitised.
 - Team briefs, social distancing needs to be observed.
 - The break-in play should not exceed 5 minutes.
- Where the game requires a Linesman, ensure that there is enough distance between the spectators and the linesman to ensure effective social distancing.
- *Where the game requires a Linesman, ensure the flags are sanitised before the game, and during the breaks, if the linesman, is replaced during the game, ensure that the flags are sanitised and the persons sanitise their hands immediately too.*

First Aid

- If a player is injured and first aid is required as requested by the match official, the coach is to instruct the player how to administer first aid. (Age of player to be considered)
- Due to age or injury, the player's parent is to enter the field of play and the coach is to instruct the parent how to administer First Aid.
- If the situation requires it, and the coach is required to administer first aid the coach is to:
 - Break the seal on the emergency first-aid package, this contains
 - Apron
 - Eyewear
 - Gloves
 - Surgical Mask
 - This is only to happen in a life or limb situation.
 - These kits can be acquired from the clubhouse at the briefing, and are to be returned to the clubhouse after the game, even if seal is broken.
- FA First Aid Guidelines can be found [here](#)

Facilities

- There will be no changing rooms provided.
- All players are to arrive at KHP, in their kit ready to play.
- Toilets will be locked, if they are required, the key along with sanitising wipes should be given to the parent of the player/player to access the toilets.
- After use, the parent/Player is to wipe all the handles and toilet down after use and the door handles and relock the facilities and return the key and wipes to the coach.
- Only one player/parent should be allowed to use the toilet at any time.
- Where the age of the player means they would not understand the requirements of sanitising the toilet, these players are to be accompanied to the toilet.
- For safeguarding reason's no coach or club official should take any player to use the facilities.
- The Clubhouse will be shut.

After the game

- Players and spectators are to leave KHP, immediately, as there may be a game after.
- Please do not complete any after the game briefings, please consider other methods to deliver these.
- Goals, all club equipment is to be sanitised immediately by the home team coaches, parents may not take goals or any club equipment and put it away, it is the home team's responsibility.
- If there is a game after your game on your pitch, the equipment can remain on the field, however, will still need to be sanitised.
- Equipment is to be stored as normal, all sanitising stations stored in the toilet section and the club locked prior.
- The last coach on site is responsible to ensure that all door handles are sanitised and doors are locked.