

**CITY & SUBURBAN CRICKET ASSOCIATION – 1903 INC.
ASSOCIATION COVID -19 GUIDELINES**

WHEN YOU ARE WELL

1. It is recommended that your Club Players have the **Covid-19 App** on their mobile phone; the App is registered and is currently active with Bluetooth.
2. **Good Personal Hygiene at the Match Day Ground:-**

BEFORE PLAY COMMENCES

3. All players to wash their hands with soap and water before taking the field of play;
 - A) Each player to bring your own drinking vessel;
 - B) Your initials/name to be marked on your drinking vessel;
 - C) Each drinking vessel should be emptied and washed after use and stored in a waiter tray type of carriage;
 - D) The drink attendants **MUST** wash their hands preferably with soap before and after handling drinking vessels or any other equipment
4. Ensure that there is adequate hand alcohol based sanitiser Station at the ground for all players to use at anytime, especially before taking the field of play and at the conclusion of the match;
5. All Players are to observe strict social distancing requirements at all times, especially on and off the field of play;

ON THE FIELD OF PLAY

6. Players **MUST NOT** share any clothing or any playing or personal equipment, including protectors, thigh and chest pads. This also includes drinking vessels especially during the match drink intervals;
7. All players **MUST NOT** engage in physical contact or embrace during the match at anytime for any reason.

This also includes ALL batsman are **NOT** to encroach upon the 1.5 metre social distancing when batting. This distancing also applies to the Change Rooms or at anytime during attendance at the match day ground;

8. At **NO TIME** during the match, **PLAYERS SHALL NOT BE PERMITTED UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCE** to spit or apply body fluid (sweat) to the surface of the cricket ball;
9. It is suggested that the Fielding Captain carry on-field a clean cloth and dried, so as to assist with player handling contamination free of the ball during the match. Best practice:- Fielder to return the ball direct to the Captain/Wicketkeeper who will return it to the bowler.

The match ball should be periodically wiped to counter the likelihood of contamination. The Fielding Captain is solely responsible for the monitoring of the match ball condition management guideline as stated herein. The match day ball after use **MUST BE** sealed (plastic bag) and separated from all other cricket equipment to avoid transfer of the virus contamination.

All Captains and Players are reminded of the provisions of **Law 41.3 “Match Ball changing its Condition”** A fielder may polish the ball on his or her clothing provided that no foreign substance is used; remove mud from the ball under the supervision of an Umpire; and use a dry cloth the dry the ball.

OFF THE FIELD OF PLAY

- 10 Club Management is responsible for compliance with social distancing requirements; ensure that all surfaces are wiped down clean with a sanitiser (e.g. Glen-20 spray) and disposal paper towel, particularly kitchen facilities. All disposal drinking vessels are stored in rubbish bags and placed in rubbish bins provided before leaving the ground.

11 All players and officials are to wash their hands with soap and water after the match has finished and before leaving the ground.

WHEN NOT WELL

- a. A player/s who is/are or not well **MUST NOT** attend the Match Day Ground if they have Flu like symptoms;
- b. Immediately get tested even if the symptoms are mild;
- c. Follow and adhere to the medical advice from the treating practitioner, the Local Public Health Unit and Self Isolate as instructed;
- d. Beware that the Police will enforce social distancing and self isolation requirements twenty-four seven (24/7). This includes on and off the field of Play.
- e. Should a player become ill (**particularly Covid-19 virus symptoms**) during a match, he is to immediately withdraw from the field of play and the ground as a priority, and seek immediate medical attention as advised in point (b.)
- f. **IMPORTANT:** In the event that a player becomes ill with suspected Covid-19 virus symptoms, it is recommended that play cease immediately and the match be abandoned for the day. All players involved in that match **MUST** then present themselves at the earliest moment for testing and strictly adhere to the medical advice given.
- g. In the event that a suspected Covid-19 victim becomes ill during a match, the Team Captain involved is to immediately report the matter to the Association Secretary.
- h. **PRE- CAUTION.** Should a player leave the field of play as a result of the symptoms as mentioned in

point (e.) – The Team Captain is to record the names and telephone numbers of each player, official and team supporters at the known match day ground. Such record is to be provided to the appropriate Public Health Unit of Hospital for their information and necessary follow up. A copy of the record of names is to be forwarded to the Association Secretary as soon as possible

ABOVE ALL, THINK OF YOUR FELLOW CRICKETERS, FAMILY AND FRIENDS. SELF PREVENTION AND BEST PRACTICE IS THE SAFEST POLICY AGAINST COVID-19 VIRUS CONTAMINATION. DO NOT BECOME COMPLACENT AS THIS VIRUS DOES NOT DISCRIMINATE AND CAN KILL AT ANY AGE.