

Phased Return  
to Basketball

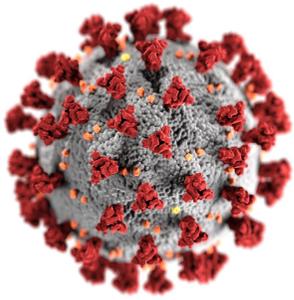


Club

Protocols

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# Introduction

Basketball Wales wants to support it's affiliated Clubs to a safe, phased return to basketball. By adhering to these protocols Clubs will protect the health & safety of it's members, players, coaches & volunteers.

Our protocols are in line with Public Health Wales & Welsh Government guidance at all times. As the updates from these bodies are subject to change these protocols are part of a live set of documents which will be frequently updated. All changes will be communicated through the Basketball Wales Club Coronavirus Officer Hub.

Basketball Wales has followed Welsh Government guidance & identified the first phase of our return to basketball will be on or after 1st September 2020. Clubs will need to be able to adhere to these protocols & complete the necessary documentation BEFORE returning to sessions.

**IMPORTANT** - The initial phase is strictly non-contact with no games of any kind taking place.





# Zone Phased Back to Court

From 10th July 2020

From 1st Sept. 2020?

From 1st Jan. 2021?

Club  
Basketball

Outdoor Basketball  
Max 30 people  
Social Distancing  
Non-Contact

Indoor Basketball  
Max people 30  
Social Distancing  
Non-Contact

Indoor Basketball  
Max people ?  
Social Distancing  
Contact Play

Welsh  
Leagues

No Competitive  
Basketball

No Competitive  
Basketball

Leagues Start  
Strict Rules  
Limited Spectators

Performance  
Programme

Senior Elite  
Outdoor Basketball  
Social Distancing  
Non-Contact

Senior Elite  
Indoor Basketball  
Social Distancing  
Non-Contact

Performance  
Programme Starts  
Strict Rules  
Limited Spectators

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## Club Responsibilities

-  Club Committees should meet (virtually if possible) to review the Basketball Wales Club Protocols prior to resuming basketball sessions.
-  All Clubs must appoint at least one Club Covid-19 Officer before any return to basketball is made.
-  Clubs must complete the online Club Checklist confirming the details of their Covid-19 Officer
-  Clubs must complete a risk assessment for each venue before any return to basketball sessions
-  Clubs must ensure that all coaches, players & volunteers are fully aware of their responsibilities.
-  Clubs must communicate these protocols & their local procedures to their members, players, coaches, volunteers & parents or guardians.
-  Appointed Club Covid-19 Officers should familiarise themselves with the Basketball Wales Club Officer information pack & undertake the Welsh Sports Association Covid-19 Awareness training session.
-  All Club sessions must have a "responsible person" who is responsible for carrying out procedures & over-seeing mitigation measures.

## Club Checklist

All clubs will be required to complete a Club Covid-19 Checklist BEFORE returning to basketball

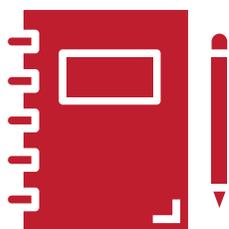
The Checklist will confirm that the club has:-

- Received & reviewed the Basketball Wales Club Protocols Pack
- Appointed a Club Covid-19 Officer
- Completed a Covid-19 risk assessment
- The Club Covid-19 Officer has completed the Welsh Sports Association Covid-19 Awareness Training
- Communicated the clubs return to basketball procedures & protocols to it's members.



## Club Covid-19 Risk Assessment

- All clubs must complete a Covid-19 risk assessment BEFORE returning to basketball.
- This is a legal requirement, your insurance will not be valid if you do not carry this out.
- Club risk assessments should be shared with your facility provider
- A risk assessment must be carried out for each venue the club uses
- The risk assessment must be reviewed regularly & amended as required.
- Basketball Wales has a template for clubs to use for each phase of return.



## Club Preparation



Check with them that your regular sessions are still available - they may need to make changes to accommodate all sports.



Be aware that services such as vending machines & water fountains may not be available. Advise people to bring their own drinks & snacks. Clubs should not provide these.



Follow all the procedures your facility puts in place including social distancing measures. You may be required to enter & exit via different routes or to follow one-way systems.



To ensure compliance with maximum numbers can be adhered to, there should be no spectators in the early stages of return. If players need support during basketball sessions from another person then this needs to be included in the maximum numbers allowed.



Advise players to bring their own hand sanitiser but have a club supply for coaches & volunteers. Strict hand hygiene measures must be observed.



Any balls & equipment that is used during a session must be cleaned & sanitised after every session. Full guidelines are in the Club Covid-19 Officer Pack.



Check with your facility - changing rooms are likely to be closed in the initial stages. Advise players to arrive ready to train & shower at home.



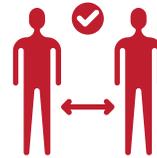
Check with your facility - you may be required to clean areas of use such as benches & tables after use.



## Outdoor Basketball Sessions



Outdoor sessions are considerably less risk than indoor activities. Nevertheless the protocols still apply & must be taken seriously.



Maximum numbers attending sessions must be adhered to. This number includes coaches & volunteers. We recommend small groups of 5 plus a coach. Remember to count the 'Responsible Person' in your numbers.



Sessions must be organised & have a 'responsible' person overseeing the protocols - this can be your Club Covid-19 Officer. A risk assessment must be carried out before the session.



Advise players to bring their own hand sanitiser but have a club supply for coaches & volunteers. Strict hand hygiene measures must be observed.



Participants must be advised to stay at home if they have any symptoms of Covid-19. Self Declaration screening must take place prior to each session.



All sessions must be non-contact. No sharing of balls, water bottles, towels or snacks. No high fives, shaking hands or bodily contact.



Participants under 18 must have written permission from parents/guardians to take part.



Any balls & equipment that is used during a session must be cleaned & sanitised after every session. Full guidelines are in the Club Covid-19 Officer Pack.

## Coach Responsibilities

-  All Coaches must familiarise themselves with the Basketball Wales Phased Return to Basketball Club Protocols.
-  Coaches must be registered with Basketball Wales & coach within their coaching qualifications & experience.
-  All Coaches, in partnership with the Club Covid-19 Officer, brief players on the procedures & protocols they need to follow.
-  Coaches must monitor participants compliance with social distancing in conjunction with the Club Covid-19 Officer.
-  Coaches should arrive to the session in their coaching kit.
-  Coaches must be aware of participants who may require additional support to comply with social distancing procedures & personal hygiene.

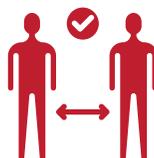
## Player & Parent Responsibilities

-  All players & parents/guardians of underage players must be familiar with the Basketball Wales Club Protocols & the procedures that the club has put in place.
-  All Clubs must arrange a briefing for players & parents/guardians of underage players on the protocols of the phased return to basketball.
-  Adult players should arrive at the session venue alone - no car sharing
-  Underage players should be dropped off at the facility entrance at the agreed time. Parents will not be allowed to remain at indoor facilities unless they need to remain with their child for support - they need to be included in the maximum session numbers & recorded on the session log.
-  Players must arrive ready to train.
-  Players must bring their own water, towel & snacks. These must not be shared with anyone. Players belongings must be kept in an agreed place, socially distanced.
-  Players should bring their own basketball (if possible) when they are instructed to do so, this should be clearly labelled with their name.
-  All players must be registered with Basketball Wales

## Indoor Basketball Sessions



Sessions must be organised & have a 'reponsible' person overseeing the protocols - this can be your Club Covid-19 Officer. A risk assessment must be carried out before the session.



Maximum numbers attending sessions must be adhered to. This number includes coaches & volunteers. Strictly non-contact basketball at the moment.



Participants must be advised to stay at home if they have any symptoms of Covid-19. Self Declaration screening must take place prior to each session.



Advise players to bring their own hand sanitiser but have a club supply for coaches & volunteers. Strict hand hygiene measures must be observed.



Participants under 18 must have written permission from parents/guardians to take part.



No sharing of balls, water bottles, towels or snacks. No high fives, shaking hands or bodily contact.



Communicate with players, parents or guardians, coaches & volunteers - let them know what to expect & what the procedures are.



Any balls & equipment that is used during a session must be cleaned & sanitised after every session. Full guidelines are in the Club Covid-19 Officer Pack.



# Help us all Stay Safe by following these guidelines

- S** Stay at home if you have symptoms
- A** Avoid sharing cars to get to training
- F** Follow the guidance, it's to help us all stay safe
- E** Everyone to use their own ball, towel & drinks bottle
- R** Respect each others space - 2m at least

**B** Basketball - just no contact - for now

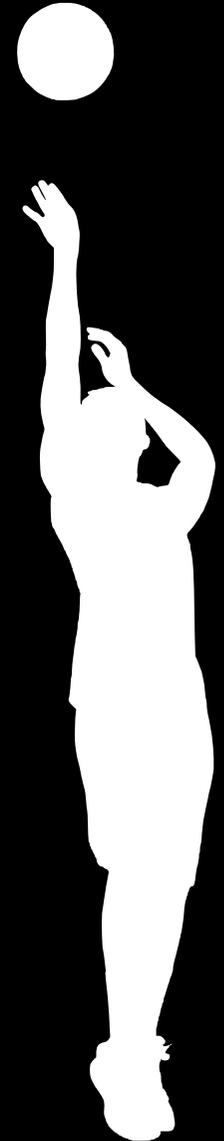
**A** Always use hand sanitiser at each break

**L** Lead by example others will follow

**L** Leave nothing behind after training

**E** Excuses? - There are none!

**R** Remember we will get through this!

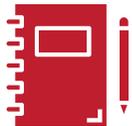


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# What if a person reports symptoms of Covid-19 after a session?



Anyone reporting symptoms of Covid-19 after attending a basketball session the Club Covid-19 Officer should advise the person to self-isolate & call 119 to obtain a test.



Do NOT record any of the details of the person as this may be unlawful. You must inform Basketball Wales' Covid-19 Lead Officer without giving personal details of the person.



The Test, Trace & Protect Service may contact you if they need further information of attendee's at the session. Do NOT contact these people yourself, this is the role of the TTPS.



This information is confidential - don't gossip.

# Useful Resources



Basketball Wales Covid Lead Officer - Helen Pearce

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 01970 820063 or 07368 476147



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