

## SAABL Return To Play Guidelines – July 2020

The SAABL Return to Play Guidelines record and reflect SAABL's commitment to Members to safely facilitate the return of social basketball for a 2020 season. SAABL asks the League's players, officials and community to become familiar with and follow the Guidelines. They seek to adopt a common-sense approach to returning to basketball. The League acknowledges that some aspects will be more difficult to monitor and enforce than others, and, accordingly, asks all players, coaches, managers, spectators and officials exercise appropriate judgment and use common-sense when entering and exiting our stadiums. Specific guidelines about entry and exit of stadiums and cleaning will be enforced. If you do not adhere to these guidelines the Biosafety Officer/Umpire in Charge can restrict you from entering the stadium or playing in any game. Please also remember that players and spectators must adhere to and are bound by the relevant SAABL Codes of Conduct.

**If you are feeling unwell, have any cold, respiratory or flu-like symptoms, or have an elevated temperature / fever, you must not attend and / or participate in the competition. Stay home.**

**If you are required to self-isolate or quarantine, you must not attend and / or participate in the competition. Stay home.**

### RETURNING TO PLAY:

- At this stage, competition is due to resume on July 25<sup>th</sup> 2020 at St Peters College, Prince Alfred College and St Clair Stadium (and other stadiums as required and as notified).
- Each club/team will need to submit the name, email address and phone number for each player intending to participate by July 17<sup>th</sup> 2020, in advance of season commencement. If any new player is proposed to participate during the season, that player's name, email address and phone number must be submitted to the Executive Officer by no later than 12 noon on the Saturday of the relevant game.
- On game day, all players will need to register their attendance at the stadium by entering themselves on the scoring system.
- Coaches, managers and spectators must submit their name and phone number in writing before entering the stadium. A registration sheet will be provided at the entrance of each stadium and must be completed prior to any admission.
- Games will proceed in one hour game slots.
- For the 2020 season, the timing of games will be 20 minute halves, 1 time out per team 1<sup>st</sup> half, 2 timeouts in the 2<sup>nd</sup> half, clock stops for timeout, clock stops for all whistles in last 2 minutes unless one team is leading by more than 15 points at the 2 minute mark. No overtime. The revised game timing from previous seasons is to ensure sufficient time to sanitise equipment, benches and surfaces after each game, and to allow the exit of teams after conclusion of a game and the entrance teams for the following game.
- The format of games will be reviewed after week 1.
- Physical distancing measures must continue to be followed. 1 person per 2 square metres, ensuring 1.5m between people.
- Games will run on two courts at St Peters, two courts at St Clair and one court at PAC.

### GROUP LIMITS – PLAYERS, COACHES, MANAGERS, SPECTATORS:

- Group limits will vary between stadiums. Limits will be subject to the 1 person per 2 square metres rule. Also refer to the relevant venue's COVID-Safe Plan. Note:
  - St Peters and PAC allows 75 people per stadium.
  - St Clair allows 35 people per court
- It is recommended, where practical, that spectators are limited to one per player participant. Attendees must adhere to social distancing requirements and any applicable limits or other safety requirements including as follows:
  - St Peters – 25 spectators maximum in the stadium.
    - Court 1 – spectators must sit upstairs.
    - Court 2 – spectators must sit on separate bench (or in lobby).
  - PAC – 40 spectators maximum in the stadium.
  - St Clair – 20 spectators maximum per court.

#### PLAYER AND TEAM INTERACTIONS:

- Players must arrive no more than 10 minutes prior to the game in which they are participating commencing.
- Players and teams will not be permitted to enter the stadium unless and until the players and teams participating in the previous game have vacated the court area and stadium. The Umpire in Charge will advise you when you can enter the stadium and court area.
  - **At St Peters** – players waiting for next game must enter through the front entrance and wait in the lobby area and must adhere to social distancing rules. Players who have completed their game must exit immediately and will exit through the cafeteria exit.
  - **At PAC** – players waiting for the next game in the cafeteria area, and must adhere to social distancing rules. Players who have completed their game will exit through the middle door of the stadium and out into Capper Street. Players entering the courts will enter through the pool side door.
  - **At St Clair** – players waiting for the next game can wait in the lobby and must adhere to social distancing rules.
- Players and teams must avoid unnecessary contact, e.g. no high fives or handshakes.
- Changeroom facilities can now be used. Maximum of one team per changeroom. Where possible, players must maintain a distance of 1.5m.
- Sharing of basketballs during warmup is permitted, providing all participants sanitise their hands before warm up commences.
- No sharing of drink bottles, towels or other personal items will be permitted.
- No sharing of food/snacks (e.g. lollies or fruit) will be permitted (to the extent food is permitted to be brought into any stadium).

#### EQUIPMENT

- Participants must supply their own drink bottle and towel, all clearly labelled. Please note that drink fountains remain closed.

#### VENUE REQUIREMENTS

- All participants (including players, spectators and officials) must follow all directions of the Biosafety Officer/Umpire in Charge, stadium staff and venue signage at all times.
- SAABL has completed and submitted the SA Government COVID-Safe Plan for each venue and will implement the guidelines included in these.

- Hand sanitiser will be available at each score bench. This must be used before and after each game, by players, officials, scorers and spectators (or more regularly as appropriate).
- Ensure physical distancing measures are observed when occupying public seating.
- Each venue is required to display current COVID-19 signage and all such signage must be followed.

## **HYGIENE PRACTICES**

- To assist with contact tracing, clubs and teams should encourage the download of the COVIDSafe app.
- SAABL will be required to ensure each team has access to hand sanitiser and disinfectant wipes.
- Hand sanitiser is to be used by all people present before and after each game (including players, officials, scorers and spectators).
- Basketballs (we would encourage cleaning warm up Basketballs and limiting the number of balls in use) must be sanitised before and after each game under Biosafety Officer/Umpire in Charge supervision.
- The AIS Framework for Rebooting Sport in a COVID-19 Environment recommends a thorough full body shower with soap before and after playing any game or training (at home).

