**NOP- Football Friendlies**

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The following NOP is based on strict guidance from the Government and FA (Football Association). Ensuring that all activities are planned and delivered in the safest possible way during the COVID-19 pandemic. This overview should be read and followed in conjunction with the generic DSDR Covid-19 guidance, generic University of Bath SU Covid-19 guidance and the updated activity specific risk assessment. Updates to FA guidance will be published on the following website: <https://www.thefa.com/about-football-association/covid-19>

All attendees should receive all these documents prior to their first attendance and watch the video guides online on accessing the Sports Training Village and where relevant, videos on accessing Gym and Pool.

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| **Club and subset activity:** | *Association Football and Futsal Club – BUCS Football Men’s 1,2,3,4, Women’s 1, 2 and Development squad* |
| **Lead Contact:** | *Men’s: Matt Talbot,* [*mt904@bath.ac.uk*](mailto:mt904@bath.ac.uk)*, 07340081467*  *Women’s: Charlotte Greenlees,* [*cvg23@bath.ac.uk*](mailto:cvg23@bath.ac.uk)*, 07881462772* |
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| **Facility being used:** | *Grass pitches (St Johns, SULIS, Limekiln)* |
| **Session days and times** | *Wednesday PM* |
| **Capacity permitted in any one group:** | *The club will adhere to any facility capacity restriction for the facilities being used.*  *•No limits on how many people can meet, and the 1-metre plus rule (social distancing) has been removed.* |
| **Facility Capacity** | *The club will adhere to any facility capacity restriction for the facilities we are using.*  *60 per Astro pitch, 60 per grass pitch* |
| **Permission for fixture:** | 48 hours prior to start of any and every organised fixture, a final check MUST be made by emailing [subathsport@bath.ac.uk](mailto:subathsport@bath.ac.uk) to ensure the fixture can be played and if required travel is permitted. |
| **NGB Phase of return to play these guidelines follow** | *Re-starting grassroots football (Updated 16th July 2021)* [*https://www.thefa.com/news/2021/jul/16/20210716-non-elite-football-update-step-4-government-covid-19-roadmap*](https://www.thefa.com/news/2021/jul/16/20210716-non-elite-football-update-step-4-government-covid-19-roadmap)  *Guidance on COVID measures for grassroots sport (Updated 17th September 2021)* [*https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/guidance-on-coronavirus-covid-19-measures-for-grassroots-sport-participants-providers-and-facility-operators/guidance-on-coronavirus-covid-19-measures-for-grassroots-sport-participants-providers-and-facility-operators#participation*](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/guidance-on-coronavirus-covid-19-measures-for-grassroots-sport-participants-providers-and-facility-operators/guidance-on-coronavirus-covid-19-measures-for-grassroots-sport-participants-providers-and-facility-operators#participation) |
| **NGB Specific instructions being followed** | *•Collecting details as a part of NHS Test and Trace is no longer required, however, QR codes will be displayed for members who wish to check in using the Test and Trace app.*  *•No limits on how many people can meet, and the 1-metre plus rule (social distancing) has been removed.*  *•Strictly no spitting whilst playing.*  *•Changing rooms can be used, but participants should use their own judgement and minimise use where possible to avoid close contact in a crowded area for a prolonged time.*  *•Care should be taken on busy sites with limited access points to ensure safe play. Facilities should consider staggering start times and allowing cleaning time between change-overs.*  *•Individuals who are double-jabbed or under-18 no longer need to self-isolate after being identified as a close contact of a positive Covid-19 case, even if that person is within the same household. However, they are strongly advised to get their own free PCR test as soon as possible. If individuals conduct a PCR test and it comes back positive, they must follow the Government guidance on isolation irrespective of vaccination status.*  *•Face coverings no longer required by law, but recommended in crowded indoor settings and may be mandated by some organisations.*  *•No capacity limits for spectators, but good practice is encouraged.* |
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| **Equipment provision and use:** | *•No sharing of water bottles.*  *•Footballs to be disinfected with wipes/spray before, during and after each session*  *•Cones and other equipment will be disinfected with wipes/spray before and after session* |
| **Equipment cleaning:** | All clubs will be provided with sanitising spray to be used to clean equipment before, during and after use. Club Covid-19 leads can request spray(s) from the shift managers in the Sports Training Village and when empty, can request a new supply. |
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**Note**

Should your NGB permit a change in return to play phase or you as a club wish to alter the way you deliver within the current phase, a new NOP must be submitted and approved prior to your group providing activity against the new regulations.

**Link- Videos for all groups to watch and additional information**

<https://www.teambath.com/about/reopening/>

Page contains videos for all customers, users of the gym and users of the pool