



SANFL & COMMUNITY FOOTBALL

RETURN TO PLAY //

COVID MARSHAL

WHERE MARSHALS ARE REQUIRED

From 21 August 2020, COVID Marshals will be required across the following public activities/operations:

- The onsite purchase and consumption of food or beverages (indoor and outdoor);
- Ceremonies;
- Supermarkets;
- Hardware stores;
- Distribution centres (including associated transport operations);
- Gymnasiums and fitness centres;
- Swimming pools used by the public;
- Social and sporting clubs;
- Any activity where a COVID Management Plan is required; and
- Any operation which may be defined by the state coordinator

COVID MARSHAL RESPONSIBILITIES

A COVID Marshal must use their best endeavours to create a COVIDSafe environment in the following ways:

- Promote and take practical steps to ensure infection control practices (e.g. frequent handwashing) are followed by people involved in the operations (patrons, employees and contractors);
- Promote and take practical steps to ensure people participating in the operations are complying with density requirements, physical distancing principle;
- Must ensure that all COVID Safe Plans and COVID Management Plans (where relevant) or specific policies/protocols in relation to the prevention of coronavirus are effectively implemented and monitored;
- Ensure the environment is appropriately established and there is sufficient seating, hand washing facilities and cleaning regimes; and
- Be present supervising prescribed operations at all times (ie: match days and trading hours of licenced venue)

COVID MARSHAL CRITERIA

To be a COVID Marshal an individual must:

- Be 18 years of age or more;
- Complete the required training and keep records of the training to provide to an authorised officer on request (State Government to provide training);
- Take reasonable steps to visually identify as a COVID Marshal (ie: high-vis vest, hat etc)

Beyond the mandatory requirements it is recommended that people nominated as COVID Marshals have:

- good customer service, people and communication skills
- a good understanding of the club's COVID-Safe Plan and Return to Play protocols
- the ability to easily switch between and oversee different tasks and (physical) areas

HOW MANY MARSHALS ARE REQUIRED AT A FOOTBALL CLUB

The following should be taken into account when coordinating the number and appointment:

- A COVID Marshal must be on site on any occasion food and beverage is being served at the venue, this would include mid-week meals and match days;
- You can have more than one prescribed COVID Marshal (SANFL recommends at least one marshals is assigned to both the licenced venue and match day/spectator management);
- If less than 200 people in attendance, the role can be assumed by someone undertaking other duties (ie: ground manager, or bar manager etc);
- If more than 200 people are expected to be present at an operation a COVID Marshal who is supervising must have no other duties. (ie: must be a designated match day role or roles);
- At multi-sport venues, we recommend each sport nominates a COVID Marshal OR approach the asset owner to manage



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COMPLIANCE

In order to be compliant with the new restrictions by Friday 21 August, clubs must undertake the following:

1. Appoint and train COVID Marshals
2. Ensure COVID Marshals are clearly identifiable
3. Ensure records are available if required

1) APPOINT & TRAIN

The State Government's online COVID Marshal training is now available [HERE](#).

The training covers the following:

- Understanding the role
- Understanding the virus and how it spreads
- Infection control strategies
- Recognising symptoms
- What to do if you, or someone else develops symptoms
- Importance of physical distancing and managing density
- Cleaning tips
- Additional tools and resources.

You must demonstrate your understanding of the material by undertaking a brief multiple-choice test at the end.

Please note that the content included is similar to the Government issued Infection Control Training, as well as many of the materials provided on the SANFL Return to Play website. This course simply reinforces the learnings and practices already implemented during the Return to Play process.

Clubs can appoint more than one COVID Marshal, and SANFL recommends separate Marshals are appointed for spectator/football management and your sports club/licenced venue. Remember: a dedicated Marshal must be in attendance at events with greater than 200 people present.

2) VISIBILITY OF COVID MARSHAL

While you are free to choose the solution that best fits your club, the garments or items your COVID Marshals wears must stand out immediately and must be recognisable as indicating a COVID Marshal – not just for you, but also for a patron who has never been to your premises before.

We recommend a high-vis vest with a sticker, badge or lanyard that says COVID MARSHAL.

3) RECORDS

A copy of your COVIDSafe Plan, as well as any training records of COVID Marshals must be available upon request from a member of SAPOL or SA Health.

We recommend the COVID Marshal carries a copy of the club's COVIDSafe plan, as well as a copy of their certificate of completion.

This can be hard copy or electronic on a phone/tablet etc.

For more information on COVID Marshals, please visit https://www.covid-19.sa.gov.au/recovery/covid-marshals?fbclid=IwAR1wSKTsi0hjtZMgBcMLpdKKAe2ACAhfWar3ADah8BsrD_0Sng9VoB_PLj8