

# Risk Assessment – Return to Competitive Football

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<b>Date:</b>	August 2020
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<b>Assessors Name:</b>	Nick Stevenson	<b>Reference Number:</b>		<b>Review Date:</b>	Ongoing – as per Government and FA guidance updates
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<b>Endorsed By:</b>	FTFC	<b>Signature:</b>	Jody Bevan	<b>Position:</b>	Covid Officer	<b>Date:</b>	21 <sup>st</sup> Aug 2020
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<b>Description of assessment</b>	Coronavirus (COVID-19) – Return to competitive football with spectators
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<b>Location Details</b>	Fairford Town Football Club, Cinder Lane, Fairford, Glos, GL7 4AX
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Identified Hazards	Who may be affected	Risk Level before control measures S x L = R				Existing control measures	Additional Control measures required	To be actioned by	Completion date	Final Risk level S x L = R			
		S	L	R	RR					S	L	R	RR
<b>Catching / Spreading</b>	Players, Coaching Staff, officials, club officials, contractors general public, & Spectators	5	3	15	H	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Welfare facilities will contain suitable levels of soap and antibacterial gel.</li> <li>Players/ coaching staff/ officials/ club officials will be asked to wash hands with soap / sanitise regularly and thoroughly, for at least 20 seconds. Away Teams must provide their own sanitise facilities.</li> <li>All spectators will be asked to sanitise their hands upon entry to the ground.</li> <li>Upon arrival all entrants to the ground must read the Self Assessment Protocol. Anyone failing</li> </ul>	Adaptation based upon changes in Government and FA guidance. Ongoing	Coivid Officer or delegated club official	Ongoing. Review once a month or as necessary	5	1	5	M

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						<p>this assessment must not enter the ground.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Contact with personnel suspected of having caught COVID-19 will be avoided.</li> <li>There will be clear guidance and visual indications on where players may train pre-match in accordance with governmental guidance.</li> </ul>								
<p><b>Catching / Spreading</b> (continued)</p>	<p>Players, Coaching Staff, officials, club officials, contractors general public &amp; Spectators</p>	5	3	15	H	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All players/ managers/officials/club officials are reminded not to touch their eyes, nose or mouth if their hands are not clean.</li> <li>A cleaning schedule will be implemented throughout the football ground, ensuring that surfaces, door handles, taps etc. are all thoroughly cleaned with an antibacterial cleaning substance before and after the fixture</li> <li>During the fixture additional sanitisers for ball cleaning made available.</li> <li>Contactless payment will be preferable on all transactions at the ground.</li> <li>To self-isolate for 14 days should they find they have a new, persistent cough or feverish symptoms upon arrival or during time in the ground.</li> <li>Should anyone in the ground disclose that they have family living with them that are self-isolating, they should be asked to leave the ground</li> </ul>	<p>Adaptation based upon changes in Government and FA guidance. Ongoing review.</p> <p>DRESSING ROOMS WILL BE LIMITED TO STARTING 11 PLUS MANAGER.. USE OF SHOWERS: ONLY THREE AT ANY ONE TIME, SHOWER QUICKLY AND LEAVE ONCE CHANGED.</p> <p>MAXIMUM VENTILATION REQUIRED IN CHANGING ROOMS.</p> <p>TEAM TALKS WILL BE CONDUCTED OUTSIDE</p> <p>NO YOUTH PLAYER (U18) TO REPRESENT A SENIOR SIDE WITHOUT WRITTEN PARENTAL CONSENT.</p>	<p>Coivid Officer or delegated club official</p>	<p>Ongoing Review once a month or as necessary</p>	5	1	5	M	

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						immediately to do the same for 14 days as per Government guidance.							
<b>Travel plans &amp; Arrival at Ground</b>	Players, Coaching Staff, officials, club officials, contractors general public.& Spectators	5	3	15	H	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>We will ask each person who enters the ground to sign a track and trace document and to inform us if they have visited another country not covered by current UK restrictions, within the previous 2 weeks.</li> <li>Away team to sign in upon arrival for NHS track and trace.</li> <li>Self-isolation will be enforced in line with the area / country guidance.</li> <li>Entrance to the Ground shall be via the main gate (except for players/Staff/committee)</li> <li>Exiting the ground shall be via the main gate or via the sign posted clubhouse exits.</li> </ul>	<p>Adaptation based upon changes in Government and FA guidance.</p> <p>Ongoing review</p> <p>DRESSING ROOMS WILL BE LIMITED TO STARTING 11 ONLY.. USE OF SHOWERS: ONLY THREE AT ANY ONE TIME, SHOWER QUICKLY AND LEAVE ONCE CHANGED.</p> <p>MAXIMUM VENTILATION REQUIRED IN CHANGING ROOMS.</p>	Coivid Officer or delegated club official	Ongoing Review once a month or as necessary	5	1	5	M
<b>Lack of awareness</b>	Players, Coaching Staff, officials, club officials, contractors general public.& Spectators	5	3	15	H	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Food / Drink facilities – these shall be open and run in accordance with latest government guidance.</li> <li>Prior to kick off a Covid 19 Safety briefing shall be given to all players/managers/officials/club officials by the nominated club Covid officer or an assigned assistant..</li> <li>Nominated club official will be required to collect balls that are kicked out of the ground. Players will</li> </ul>	<p>Adaptation based upon changes in Government and FA guidance.</p> <p>Ongoing review</p> <p>DRESSING ROOMS WILL BE LIMITED TO STARTING 11 PLUS MANAGER.. USE OF SHOWERS: ONLY THREE AT ANY ONE TIME, SHOWER QUICKLY AND LEAVE ONCE CHANGED.</p>	Coivid Officer or delegated club official	Ongoing Review once a month or as necessary	5	1	5	M

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					<p>collect balls which land just out of play.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• There shall be no sharing of equipment, goalkeepers to sanitise their own equipment during said breaks.</li> <li>• Goal celebrations should be avoided.</li> <li>• A copy of the clubs Return to Competitive Football Policy will be on display upon signing entering the ground for all to read and comply with.</li> <li>• Clear signage within the ground, reduction in stands capacity, social distancing to be adhered to, as per government guidelines, in both seating and standing areas.</li> <li>• Playing areas such as technical and dugouts shall follow latest FA guidance.</li> <li>• We will continually adopt and review new government guidance as and when it is available</li> </ul>	<p>MAXIMUM VENTILATION REQUIRED IN CHANGING ROOMS.</p>							
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## Guidance Notes

<b>SEVERITY</b>	5	5	10	15	20	25
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	3	3	6	9	12	15
	2	2	4	6	8	10
	1	1	2	3	4	5
		1	2	3	4	5
	<b>LIKELIHOOD</b>					

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<b>5</b>	<b>Almost Certain – Very High Risk</b>
<b>4</b>	<b>Probable – High Risk</b>
<b>3</b>	<b>50/50 – Medium Risk</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>Improbable – Low Risk</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>Almost impossible – Low Risk</b>

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5	Fatality – Very High Risk
4	Severe incapacity – High Risk
3	Absent 3 weeks – Medium Risk
2	Absent less than 1 day – Low Risk
1	Insignificant – Low Risk

1–4 LOW	5–9 MEDIUM	10–15 HIGH	16–25 VERY HIGH
Continue with existing control, however monitor for changes. Implement any additional control measures required, within the timescales given in the risk assessment.	Requires attention to reduce the rating as well as regular ongoing monitoring. Implement any additional control measures required, within the timescales given in the risk assessment.	Requires immediate attention to bring the risk down to an acceptable level. Implement the control measures required, within the timescales given in the risk assessment and continue to review working practices to reduce the probability of an accident to the lowest possible level.	Stop immediately – the risk is too high. Take immediate action to reduce the risk to the lowest level possible.

## Additional comments:

1. This risk assessment needs to be discussed with the Covid Committee before a fixture can be undertaken to ensure compliance with all control measures through their understanding
2. Players/coaching Staff are to sign an acknowledgement sheet for their understanding of this risk assessment
3. The risk assessment is to be reviewed on a periodic basis, or sooner if changes are made through government or FA guidance.
4. This risk assessment must be approved by the nominated person for health and safety before being issued as a live document

Assessor 1 name:		Signature:		Date:	
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Assessor 2 name:		Signature:		Date:	
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I, the undersigned, have been fully briefed on this risk assessment and other control measures in place to reduce the spread of Covid 19 or risk of injury to the lowest possible level. I fully understand as being a member of Fairford Town Football Club, to follow the control measures in this risk assessment and the and the clubs Return to Competitive Football Policy.				
Name	Club Position	Date	comments/recommendations	Signature