



BASEBALL
VICTORIA

RETURN TO ACTIVITY CHECKLISTS CLUBS | PLAYERS | COACHES

The Baseball Victoria Return to Activity/Play Plan is a comprehensive guide for all clubs, members and local authorities on how baseball will recommence.

These mandatory conditions are based on the [AIS Framework for Rebooting Sport in a COVID-19 environment](#) and guidelines provided by [Sport & Recreation Victoria \(SRV\)](#) in correlation with the latest government advice.

It is essential that all clubs review and implement these conditions before returning to activity. They contain strict boundaries for the number of players/staff, types of activities, facility restrictions and safety measures required to safely conduct on-field training.

Clubs need to seek permission of council in order to use fields and access facilities before any training can take place.

Baseball Victoria continues to work with the Victorian Government, SRV and councils to ensure that all clubs can return to their normal facilities as soon as possible.

The Return to Activity conditions will be amended in accordance with any future government directives, the latest version of the document, will be contained on this website.

[View our FAQs related to COVID-19 and baseball in Victoria.](#)



RETURN TO ACTIVITY CLUBS

- Source written approval from the landowner of your facility e.g. council – clubs are not permitted to use venues other than those already agreed in advance of the season
- Comply with any additional requirements imposed by the landowner
- Ensure all facilities/buildings within the venue (including canteens) will be closed and not-accessible during training except for toilet facilities
- Ensure all communications with members about the return to training include this document, highlighting the information when not to attend training
- All club officials, coaches and anyone coordinating the training sessions must have read and be familiar with these guidelines
- Ensure that any person who attends training who is known in the last 14 days to have (or had) symptoms, contact with a known/suspected case, or be at high risk, is refused entry
- Ensure that all players and coaches are appropriately registered on Sports TG
- Ensure clubs have hand sanitiser and hand washing stations
- Ensure any shared equipment has been cleaned and is cleaned after use
- Ensure clubs have nominated a Baseball Victoria COVID-19 Coordinator
- Ensure prominent signage at the venue, including when not to attend training and ensuring social distancing
- Complete the Baseball Victoria CLUB Back to Training Form



RETURN TO ACTIVITY COACHES

- Entry must be refused to any person who attends training who is known in the last 14 days to have (or had) symptoms, contact with a known/suspected case, or be at high risk
 - A gap of no less than 15 minutes in between scheduled training sessions to avoid congregation
 - An accurate record of all attendees for the purposes of contact tracing must be kept on the documentation provided by Baseball Victoria
 - If any player presents to training with COVID-19-like symptoms, they must be immediately isolated and sent home as soon as possible.
 - Player groups of no more than 20 plus two coaching staff. There can be two groups of 20 athletes on the field, one in the diamond and one in the outfield with approximately 20 metres in between them.
 - Parents or guardians are required to keep a reasonable distance or will be included in the group of 20
 - Physical distancing of 1.5 metres must be maintained
 - No more than one person per 4m²
 - Activity must be non-contact e.g. no tagging, no handshakes, high fives or similar
 - Handling of equipment must be minimised
 - Sharing of equipment must be minimised
 - No use of shared equipment that touches the head or face or cannot be effectively cleaned i.e. soft materials or clothing
 - Adherence to the hygiene protocols in this document
 - Regular breaks are to be provided for the purpose of rehydrating and hand sanitising – every 20 minutes
 - No social activity is to occur once training has concluded
 - All normal safety protocols apply – including child safety requirements (Working With Children Check)



RETURN TO ACTIVITY PLAYERS

- You must register to attend training on Sports TG, via the Baseball Victoria website
- You must not attend training if in the past 14 days you:
 - Have been unwell or had any flu-like symptoms;
 - Have been in contact with a known or suspected case of COVID-19;
 - Have had any respiratory symptoms (even if mild);
or
 - Are at a high risk from a health perspective, including the elderly and those with pre-existing medical health conditions. Those with even mild symptoms are strongly encouraged to get tested.
- You must not arrive more than 10 minutes prior to training commencing
- You must not congregate at the entry point
- You must arrive prepared to train – changing rooms will not be in use
- You must bring your own drink bottles clearly labelled. No sharing of drink bottles is permitted
- If reasonably practical, only one parent/carer to take their child(ren) to training. Parents/carers to keep a reasonable distance from the field - those that remain with their child(ren) during training will be considered part of the group of 20, unless they are formally coaching or instructing the activity
- You must follow the hygiene protocols in this document - regular breaks will to be provided for the purpose of rehydrating and hand sanitising
- Physical distancing of 1.5 metres must be maintained
- No more than one person per 4m²
- Activity must be non-contact e.g. no tagging, no handshakes, high fives or similar
- Handling of equipment must be minimized
- Sharing of equipment must be minimised
- You must provide your name to the coach or club officials when attending training.