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Scottish Rugby Clubs & Schools Communications

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In this latest edition of Club Communications there's information on a Return to Rugby for Clubs and Schools regarding the Scottish Government's Phase 1 guidelines, as well as an update from the Threat Management Group.



Clubs and Schools Return to Rugby: Phase 1 Guidelines

Scottish Rugby has published Return to Rugby guidelines for clubs and schools during Phase 1 of the Scottish Government's easing of lockdown restrictions.

The document provides a practical guide on the proposed Return to Rugby plans amidst the current Covid-19 pandemic. The following information is aligned to Scottish Government, **sportscotland** and World Rugby guidelines for Phase 1 of the route map for exiting lockdown. Scottish Rugby is working with the Scottish Government to ensure the domestic game can begin a phased return in line with its lockdown restrictions easing and aiming to help clubs through this process. Further information on future phases will be communicated when appropriate.

There is a dedicated page on the Scottish Rugby website for details on facilities, events and competitions, coaching and other useful information for clubs and schools regarding the first phase of a return to rugby.

Scottish Rugby has produced an at-a-glance infographic for information on the Return to Rugby guidelines [here](#):

**Read more on
Return to Rugby**

Threat Management Group update

The TMG and the supporting workstreams have continued work with the different subgroups.

Although the easing of lockdown measures in Scotland is a major development in our society, we are still acutely aware of the present risks.

Guidelines state that we can meet with members of another household in a public space. The maximum number of the two groups is eight. Staying safe and following guidelines is key for every one of us.

Work of the various TMG Subgroups continues under the following workstreams:

- Community Rugby
- Training
- Playing (Behind closed doors)
- Playing (Socially distanced)

The Return to Community Rugby workstream continued their work around resuming grassroots and:

- Working on return to play guidance for clubs & schools – from minis to adults
- Discussions with clubs around advice with re-opening of facilities

The Return to Training workstream continues to work on the operations manual as we are nearing the end of Phase 1 of the easing of lockdown restrictions and start preparations for when the Scottish Government is in a position to move to Phase 2. As we move into Phase 2 considerations will be given to the following;

- Testing
- Mitigating the risks of a positive test on the playing group
- Increased mitigations associated with group / contact training including more stringent restrictions for players and their families outwith the training environment

The Return to Play has continued its work around

- Various ticketing models looking at social distancing restrictions to calculate approximate capacities
- Crowd movement and density as we move into phase two
- Socially distanced hospitality layouts / service

The Return to Scottish Rugby Hospitality workstream continues work around

- Changes to methods of service, possible capacities for hospitality and conferences
- Use of IT and technology
- PPE

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Consultations

Scottish Rugby regularly consults on a range of regulatory topics.

To see all of our open consultations, and to provide your views, please click [here](#).

Regulatory Contacts

During 'lockdown' we would remind clubs to use the following email addresses for their regulatory queries:

Club insurance: clubinsurance@srug.org.uk

International clearance: clearances@srug.org.uk

Rugby disciplinary: discipline@srug.org.uk

Tour approvals: tourapprovals@srug.org.uk

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