

CASE STUDY

Indoor Sporting Facility



Key points

- ◁ From 9am on Friday 18 September 2020, all venues can have a maximum of 25 people excluding staff across the entire venue regardless of size. Venues must not exceed the capacity limit that applies under standard liquor or fire occupancy loading and regulatory conditions of the venue.
- ◁ From 11.59pm 1 September 2020 community sport activities (other than classes and training) can have a maximum of 100 spectators for each indoor and each outdoor space, where one person per 4 square metres of usable space can be observed. This excludes staff and participants.
- ◁ Spectators must be seated, where seating is available. Otherwise they must observe physical distancing of 1.5 metres where not from the same household.
- ◁ Maintain a minimum number of officials and coaches.
- ◁ For larger team sports, consider maintaining smaller separate groups at training. Full-contact sporting competition, including dance and martial arts can continue.
- ◁ Facilities must clearly display occupancy allowance at the entrance to the venue as well as display additional signs with area occupancy for separate individual spaces.
- ◁ Facility owners, managers and operators must not temporarily divide any usable indoor space or usable outdoor space for the purposes of calculating usable space.
- ◁ All sporting organisations, clubs and venues must have a Return to Play in a COVID Safe Environment Plan or a COVID Safety Plan, whichever is relevant.
- ◁ Communal facilities (such as changerooms) can still be open if a risk assessment has been done and a strict cleaning regime put in place.
- ◁ Canteen and kiosk facilities can still be open.
- ◁ Clubs must ensure equipment is shared as little as possible and is cleaned between uses/sessions.
- ◁ Clean frequently-used areas using a suitable detergent in accordance with manufacturer directions.
- ◁ Download the [WorkSafe ACT cleaning checklist](#) to help implement health and hygiene measures.

Case study: Hosting groups of up to 100

A local indoor sporting facility has different spaces for training and a large shed with three basketball courts. The facility developed a Return to Play in a COVID Safe Environment Plan that sets out how it will manage basketball competitions in coming weeks. The facility shared the plan with its teams. It helped develop a match roster to manage the number of people in the facility and meet the one person per 4 square metre rule.

Each Thursday night, two basketball games are held, with the middle court kept free during the games. Spectators are seated. People from the same household can be seated together and keep 1.5 metres apart from people not from the same household or other groups. Clubs clean the balls and other sporting equipment at half time and the end of the game. Canteen facilities are open and managed in accordance with food safety requirements. Signs around the canteen ask people not to gather in the canteen and foyer area.

This information is correct as of 18 September 2020. For the latest advice on restrictions please visit the [COVID-19 website](#) or call the COVID-19 helpline on **(02) 6207 7244**.

The **Business Resource Kit** includes: guidelines for creating a **COVID Safety Plan**; posters for displaying in your business premises; fact sheets and case studies to provide up-to-date information and clear advice; and other useful resources. Find them at on the [business resources page](#) of the COVID-19 website.