

## Wellington Cricket Club

### Cricket Protocols – Match days from 18 July

#### Before leaving home

- Check for Covid 19 Symptoms. In line with UK Government Guidance and remain at home if symptomatic.
- If you have been asked to self-isolate by NHS Test and Trace you must not leave your home to exercise.
- Follow guidelines on shielding and protecting people if it applies to you.
- Travel in your playing kit as there will be no access to changing facilities.
- Bring with you hand sanitiser and anti-bacterial wipes.
- Bring food and drink for your consumption during the game as there will be no teas provided and no access to the clubhouse for drinking water.
- Bring your £5 match fee to hand to your captain.
- Please ensure personal hygiene measures have been taken before leaving home.
- Please follow guidance in relation to transport which includes minimising the use of public transport and limiting car sharing.

#### Arriving at the ground – Main Pitch

- **All home** players/coaches and match officials should park in the main car park (enter and park on right). **All away** players/coaches park on the grass bank at the back towards the fence.
- Arrive in playing kit and ready for a warm up.
- All spectators should park on the grass bank area towards the bank.
- **Home** players enter the playing area through the gate next to the away changing room.
- **Away** players come down the bank and into the away kit zone.
- Directions will be available to send you to the different home and away player kit zones on your designated pitch. Players should go to their zones without delay.

#### Arriving at the ground – Second Pitch

- **All home and away** players/coaches and match officials should park in the main car park (enter and park on left).
- Arrive in playing kit and ready for a warm up.
- All spectators should park on the grass bank area towards the bank.

- All players/coaches and match officials enter the playing area through the gate nearest to the second pitch and then into the respective kit zones.
- Directions will be available to send you to the different home and away player kit zones on your designated pitch. Players should go to their zones without delay.

## **Other issues**

- Disabled parking remains directly at the back of the clubhouse.
- Toilets and handwashing facilities are available in the clubhouse following social distancing and personal hygiene protocols, allowing everyone to maintain strict and frequent hand hygiene at all times. Hand sanitising facilities are available at the ground.
- Records of players, coaches and officials involved in the game will be kept to support the NHS test and trace system.
- Spectators and visitors should register their attendance by scanning their phone for a QR code on the device located on the big oak tree close to spectator parking or the entrance gate.

## **Match Play**

- A maximum of 30 players directly involved in a game including coaches and officials.
- Players should adhere to UK Government social distance guidance at all times (including the warm up). The only exception is wicket keepers standing up and distance between slip fielders.
- No sweat or saliva to be applied to the ball at any time.
- A hygiene break should take place every 6 overs or 20 minutes (whichever is sooner). The match ball will be cleaned with an anti-bacterial wipe (conforming to BS EN 14476) and all participants will clean their hands by using their own suitable sanitiser. Responsibility for cleaning the ball lies with the fielding captain – not the umpire.
- Batters should sanitise bats when leaving the field and wicket keepers should sanitise their gloves.
- Sharing of equipment should be avoided where possible but if unavoidable good hand hygiene and equipment must be cleaned before and after use.
- No items of clothing or equipment should be handed to the umpire at any time.
- Batters to run in distinct running lines to ensure they are not within 2m of the bowler or the other batter.
- Only one scorer in the scoring box and scoring box must be well ventilated. No players allowed in the score box and scorebook not to be passed from one player to another.
- Social distancing to be maintained at breaks, during tactical discussions and after a wicket.
- Players should minimise sharing of the ball during the match eg ball goes straight from wicket keeper to bowler without being passed around fielders.
- Umpires should refrain from contact with the ball.
- Umpires only should be responsible for the stumps and replacing bails etc.

- Spectators should remain socially distanced at all times and not return the ball to the field of play.
- Spectator groups must be limited to discrete six person gathering limits in line with UK Government guidance.
- No teas will be served and individuals should bring and consume their own food and drink and this should not be shared.
- Players should refrain from spitting or rinsing out their mouths.
- Changing rooms will not be in use.
- The club house will be available for toilet use only.
- The kitchen is not to be used.
- All participants must avoid high risk behaviour and failure to do so may lead to player ejection and/or match cancellation.
- In the event of rain all participants should return to their own vehicle.
- Movement of covers where necessary should be done whilst maintaining social distancing.
- Parents of under 18 players should remain on site throughout the game and either remain in the spectator area or in their car.

### **After the game**

- All participants should sanitise their hands at the end of the game.
- No traditional hand shaking can take place.
- Social gathering in line with Government guidance is allowed whilst maintaining social distancing and observing the WCC bar protocols.
- Participants should exit the premises via the gate to the side of the pavilion by the home/3/4<sup>th</sup> team changing rooms which will be clearly signposted.
- One club representative will be responsible for disinfecting any shared equipment eg stumps
- All participants are encouraged to report any infection of their household to the NHS test and trace system following the game.