





Barking FC Risk Assessment



Date	19.11.2020	Assessed by:	Keith Whittington	Position:	Secretary & Covid-19 Officer
RA Number	Six	Review Date:	Bi-weekly or as required		

Who Might be Harmed				
Officers	Players	Volunteers	Coaches	Others
✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

PPE (insert ✓)		Known Hazards (insert ✓)	
			
✓	✓	✓	✓

Equipment Required (other equipment may need to be added)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sanitising Spray for warm up and match equipment First aid, PPE as per The FA First Aid Guidance Hand sanitisers supplied at the Club pitch entrances and exits Soap and sanitisers for the toilets

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Communication	Infection risk of Covid-19	2	3	6	<p>The Club will follow all the guidelines issued by the Government, The League and The FA for the return of football.</p> <p>Everyone – All Players / Coaches / Volunteers / Club Officials, etc will be provided with access and asked to read The FA “Code of Behaviour”.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> An email will be sent to all Players / Coaches / Volunteers giving instructions / information on the Home Club’s match day procedures and this will be provided to any visiting teams and Match Officials prior to arrival. Coaches/Volunteers/ Players/Match Officials/visiting teams will be reassured and instructed to ensure they wash their hands and comply with social distancing. All visitors are instructed to carry out a self-assessment with regards to COVID-19 symptoms and informed not to come to the stadium, but self-isolate, and order a free test if they have any symptoms (.call 119 or https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/testing-and-tracing/get-a-test-to-check-if-you-have-coronavirus/.) They should also self-isolate if anyone in their household has symptoms or has been confirmed to have COVID. Anyone who wishes to shield will be permitted to do so. All visitors will be provided with a reminder of the symptoms of COVID-19 and the need to follow Government guidelines. Attendees records to the stadium will be kept for 21 days in line with the Club’s data protection policy and used upon request to comply with the requirements for the NHS Track and Trace. The club will record all attendees’ data via the NHS Test and Trace App. Communication will be sent to all with regards to the stadium controls in place by the Club for attendance at training/matches. Club Committee Members responsible for the COVID-19 Policy will continue to observe matches in order to ensure compliance. 	1	2	2

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Access Control	Infection risk of Covid-19	3	4	12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Manned access control will be managed via the turnstiles. Entrance to the ground will be predominantly via card payments to minimise the risk of infection, but cash payments will be allowed – turnstile operator to wear appropriate PPE. A one-way system will operate around the ground as far as reasonably possible with social distancing markers in place. PPE will be provided if medical assistance is required and social distancing is not possible. Hand sanitiser is provided while inside and exiting the ground. Signage inside the stadium will provide guidance and reminders of social distancing measures. Anyone entering the ground (players, coaches, match and club officials etc) will be asked to self -test before entry – signs in place at all entrance points to make this clear. Additional signage and barriers are in place to try to prevent spectators congregating and creating difficulties with circulation and spacing. 	2	3	6
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H & S Arrangements and First Aid	Infection risk of Covid-19	1	3	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Medical and PPE provision is available at the ground to follow The FA PPE level requirements for First Aid. First Aiders are advised to wash hands after treatment and record name date and treatment provided for NHS track and trace process. A separate Covid-19 specific first aid bag will be available at training and on match days complete with specific PPE. Suitable sanitisation process in place for stadium touchpoints. 	1	1	1

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Break times / half time	Infection risk of Covid-19	2	3	6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Players will be reminded to keep social distancing a priority during any breaks. • Players will be asked to bring their own named water bottles, hand sanitiser and sun cream for their training or match session which are to be used during, before and after any break. • Volunteers/Staff reminded of social distancing. 	1	2	2
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Toilets	Infection risk of Covid-19	3	4	12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Toilets will be cleaned regularly, and when the ground is open on matchdays, will be treated before the match, at half time and after the game as required with sanitising solution. • Toilets will have a one in one out approach. • During pitch opening times, the toilets will be checked regularly for consumables and sanitising wipes as required. • Posters in all toilets reminding all users to wash hands thoroughly 	2	3	6
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Spectator stands and terracing	Infection risk of Covid-19	2	3	6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Designated standing areas provided with social distancing in place for match attendees. • Signage will be in place to demonstrate appropriate guidance. 	2	3	6

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Competitive match play and training	Infection risk of Covid-19	3	3	9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Barking FC to be affiliated with County Football Association prior to match play – done. Safety briefings prior to competitive activities should be provided reminding participants of The FA ‘Code of Behaviour’ and the requirement to social distance during breaks in play. Pre-match handshakes will not happen. Instead players will be asked to hand-sanitise before kick-off. Team talk huddles should not take place. Team talks can take place, as long as social distancing is observed and held outdoors where possible. Warm-ups/cool-downs should always observe social distancing. Coaches, other team staff and substitutes are allowed, but must also always observe social distancing on touchline/dug outs. Social distancing must also be observed during interactions when a substitution is being made; Additional seating will be provided to allow for social distancing. Match preparation meetings by Club Officials should be held via telephone, text or email to confirm procedures and areas of responsibility. Set plays - freekicks: Referees and Coaches should encourage players to get on with the game and not unnecessarily prolong set play set-up, such as defensive walls. Set plays - corners should also be taken promptly to limit prolonged close marking and goal posts should be wiped down before matches, after matches and at half time. Goal celebrations should be avoided. Interactions with Referees and Assistants Referees should only happen with players observing social distancing. Footballs should not be handled unless for throw-ins and if the ball goes outside of the pitch confines then it should be sanitised before- 	2	2	4

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Changing rooms / showers	Infection risk of Covid-19	3	4	12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Changing rooms/shower rooms will be used for matches where required to do so by the League.. Where changing rooms/showers are to be used then they will be cleaned before and after use with sanitising solution that provides up to a 30-day residue to combat COVID-19 and other viruses. (Appendix A to Stage 1 RAMS document). If changing rooms/ showers are to be used, then usage should be minimal by both teams, preferably with a maximum of six players changing at any one time. Shower use to be limited to three people at any one time, with foot coverings used. Clubhouse changing facilities can be used in addition to those inside the ground to aid social distancing and these will be sanitised prior to use. Only authorised personnel to access changing rooms and each will be clearly marked with the maximum number of individuals permitted access and this communicated to all teams and Officials. Changing rooms only used for changing and showering and no other purpose. Antibacterial wipes will be provided in dressing rooms to enable teams to wipe down door handles etc, plus disposable gloves. Person responsible for collecting kit to wear appropriate PPE 	2	2	4

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Travelling, car parking and external areas outside the football ground	Infection risk of Covid-19	2	2	4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All participants will be reminded of the need to comply with the latest Government legislation for travelling to and from matches. Users of Local Authority car parks and the park area are reminded to maintain social distancing and follow Government guidelines. Club will not authorise the sharing of vehicles unless family members but will advise participants of the importance of vehicle hygiene, personal hygiene, ventilation and face masks should a situation arise where it may occur. 	1	1	2
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Clubhouse/ Boardroom/ Spectator refreshments	Infection risk of Covid 19	3	3	9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The clubhouse will be open with a one-way system with clear signage in place. The boardroom will remain closed until further notice – no hospitality will be provided for visiting club officials or players. The refreshment bar will be open on a limited basis We will adhere to the latest guidelines for the hospitality industry (current version 26/08/2020), including minimal contact with customers (orders will be taken away from the refreshment bar itself to prevent queuing), and all surfaces will be cleaned thoroughly before and after use of the food preparation area. Where maintenance work is being carried out, social distancing measures are in place and where this may be possible then face masks are provided. 	2	3	6

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Ensure that you always follow social distancing measures. If you are unsure of any processes, then please ask.

RISK MATRIX		Severity				
		1: Insignificant	2: Minor	3: Moderate	4: Major	5: Catastrophic
Likelihood	A: CERTAIN (> 90%)	Moderate	High	EXTREME	EXTREME	EXTREME
	B: LIKELY (50 to 90%)	Moderate	Moderate	High	EXTREME	EXTREME
	C: POSSIBLE (20 to 49%)	Low	Moderate	High	EXTREME	EXTREME
	D: UNLIKELY (5 to 19%)	Low	Low	Moderate	High	EXTREME
	E: RARE (<5%)	Low	Low	Moderate	Moderate	High

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