



COVID Guidelines – Corporate Touch 6s Tournament

Created in conjunction with the tournament governing bodies, UAERF and the Dubai Sports Council “Procedures for Returning to Sports” policy document, Al Habtoor Polo Resort & Club as the venue / host and Corporate Affair Event Management as the Event Managers and Tournament Directors, this document serves to outline the protocols and procedures in place to ensure a safe and enjoyable day is had by all.

It is acknowledged and understood that these guidelines may be subject to change and amendment at any point and we will do our best to keep you updated with any significant changes.

Venue: Al Habtoor Polo Club & Resort

- Everyone will be temperature checked at the security gate into the Al Habtoor complex.
- Everyone will be required to enter through the main entrance of the hotel where any other precautions as deemed necessary by the venue will be applied.
- Players will then proceed through the hotel and exit to the terrace of Polo 2. We have exclusive use of these fields.
- Team shades (as pre-arranged) will be placed along the front of the terrace, allowing plenty of space between teams.
- All gold shades will have TWO picnic benches inside.
- Whilst spectators are not allowed to be on the polo pitch, they are welcome to use the terrace of the hotel which overlooks the tournament.
- Hand sanitiser will be available throughout the hotel and a bottle will be placed in each team shade.
- Toilets are available inside the hotel and on Field 2.
- Signage will be visible reminding attendees to observe social distance and wear masks at all times.

- Teams who have ordered picnic baskets for breakfast and/or lunch will receive these to their shade as arranged. All food items will be individually wrapped and served with disposable cutlery as required.
- A large rubbish bag will be placed inside each shade and replaced frequently.
- Public food and beverage will be purchasable and served up on the terrace.
- All seating will be socially distanced and sanitised after use.

Team Administration / Registration:

- Each team will appoint a ‘COVID Manager’ who will act as the link between their team and the tournament ‘COVID Co-Ordinator’. This is for the purpose of collecting and recording team player information. This individual will need to be present at each game for the duration of the tournament.
- All players will be required to complete an online COVID Symptom Checker form within 24 hours of the tournament (link sent via email or whatsapp).
- The COVID Manager will need to report to the Corporate Affair registration desk 30 minutes before their first scheduled game and confirm all team players have completed the form.
- Each player must check in to the Corporate Affair registration desk for a secondary temperature screening and will be name checked against the team sheet.
- Spot temperature checks will occur throughout the day.

Game time:

- Games will be played one way and the duration of each game will be no more than 20mins. There will be a 1 minute water break halfway through the game (TBC)
- Player substitutes must stay inside their team Sub Boxes (marked on the site plan) and ensure social distance between one another.
- All players must wear a mask when not playing.
- Sufficient time will be allocated between games to allow for each team to enter and exit the pitch comfortably.
- Once a try is scored there can be no physical celebrations (high5’s) or similar
- Spitting/coughing on the pitch is strictly prohibited
- All playing equipment will be fully disinfected and sanitised between each game
- Where possible we will try and allocate a suitable warm up area close to the pitch for each team.

Other:

- An ambulance, 2 advance paramedics and a first aid responder will be onsite for the duration of the tournament. First Aid services are provided by Mediclinic and adhere to strict COVID protocols
- Kuur Rehabilitation will be on-site, providing physio treatment for all players. They have a declaration from the Dubai Health Authority and adhere to the necessary protocols in place.
- On this occasion, as tournament organisers, we are unable to provide water so please ensure each player brings sufficient supply in an easily identifiable bottle. Water (and other beverages) is also available to buy from the hotel (10dhs for a large bottle)
- Post tournament dinner (included in Gold team and Team + Dinner packages) will be held on the terrace. Due to social distancing requirements, teams will be required to use 2 or 3 tables. Dinner will be buffet style, but served by the chefs.
- The tournament COVID Co-coordinator shall inform the hotel representative of any suspected COVID 19 cases on the day of the tournament. Isolations rooms are available in the hotel and tournament organizers will arrange for these individuals on isolation to be transferred to a hospital or a health care facility.

Players Responsibilities

- All players must stay within the vicinity of their team shade or in the hotel complex when not playing.
- All players must wear a face covering when coming on and off the pitch or entering the hotel facilities.
- Renting, swapping or sharing of any wearable or personal items are not allowed (ie. towels and water bottles).
- Disposable items must be placed in the allocated rubbish bags in each shade and garbage bins within the property.
- We will not be able to provide any balls for warm up/practice, please ensure you bring these with you.
- If any player within 7 days of playing tests positive or displays symptoms they should self-isolate following current guidelines and should notify their team COVID Manager who will notify the Tournament Director. We will then follow the current UAERF and government guidelines on notifying anyone who may have been in 'close contact' to the individual.

Referee & Tournament Director Responsibilities

The referee along with the Tournament Director will ensure that all protocols are followed and will act on an individual or team as he sees fit for any inappropriate behaviour or disregarding the above protocols.

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