



WHA Match Day Protocols – Primary Hockey

These protocols are designed to allow community hockey to happen safely under alert level 2 restrictions. It is important all our community help by 'doing the right thing' and ensuring these steps are undertaken to help protect against any potential spread of Covid-19. Please be aware of the specific venue site plan for where your game is being played.

On arrival – Teams to enter venues via designated points of entry and meet at designated arrival areas in the player/official's zones. It is important players, management, officials and spectators remain separated while in the venue to allow us to have separate groups of 100 in our venues.

Player/Management/Official Zones – these zones allow players, management and officials to arrive prior to playing and congregate. These zones need to remain spectator free to ensure separate groups of 100 are defined.

Changing Rooms – Are not available to be used for team talks prior to or after games. WHA is encouraging the 'Get in, Play, Get out' philosophy as led by Hockey NZ. The toilet facilities at Elsdon remain closed as the Porirua City Council will not open these until alert level 1. All other toilet facilities will be open at our venues.

Dugouts – Dugouts will be closed for primary grades. Please take gear with you to the side of the playing field you are on. There will be hand sanitizer attached to the entry to the turf for each team to use prior to playing.

Results – There will be an online google doc that can be filled in to complete the score of matches. Club or school contacts will have been supplied link.

Match Ball – Avoid picking up the ball at any point. Use stick rather than hands when retrieving or placing ball for a free hit.

Spitting & Bushman Nose Blowing – As per Hockey NZ release, this is an automatic 2min suspension. No warnings or reminders will be given. Repeat offenders will be upgraded to a 10min yellow.

Protective Equipment – Individuals should have their own face mask for PCD. Sharing of face masks is not allowed. This also includes other protective equipment including gloves, knee pads etc

Contact Tracing – For all games played on WHA venues, teams are responsible for completing the contact tracing spreadsheet on the WHA google drive. Please contact Sandeep – info@wellingtonhockey.org.nz if you do not have access to your folder if you are

a club or school contact. If you are a manager, your club or school contact should have provided a link to you. This is a requirement for all teams playing on WHA venues. Players and management will not be required to sign in via iDME app.

Handshakes/High 5's – As per Hockey NZ recommendations, use the “hockey handshake” where you touch sticks.

Water Bottles – Important each player has their own water bottle and individuals do not share. No team or group drink bottles are acceptable

First Aid – All teams will be responsible for first aid and ice for their own players or their group.