

Dear Team Contacts,

Bendigo Basketball Association is back at the Bendigo Stadium!

We are committed ensuring our safe return to the “Bendigo Basketball Family “and following all the guidelines provided by the state government and Basketball Victoria. We will continue to closely monitor and adapt as required.

We are thrilled to announce that the Round 1 fixture has now been released on the website <https://bendigobasketball.com.au/>

There have been some changes within divisions to accommodate small divisions, please make sure you check the above or below grade for your original team entry.

This short winter season things will look a little different so please ensure you comply with all the rules and regulations. We will be taking all the required measurements from Basketball Victoria and state Government ensuring you all enjoy playing basketball in a safe environment.

Please see the below all relevant information for the upcoming winter 2020 season.

Season Structure

This season there will be no grading, given this is a short season there is no time for a grading phase.

The junior competition will commence on Monday 13th July and will run for a total of 10 weeks, with the 10th week being finals.

The senior competition will commence on Monday 20th July and will run for 9 weeks, with the 9th week being finals. Finals will be 1st v 2nd and all consultation games will be played.

There will be new time slots this season as we need to allow time for cleaning after each game. Time slots will be an hour and 10 minutes commencing at 4pm each night.

These time slots will be shared around as much as possible however please understand this is a unique season and with less time slots and courts requests may not be met. When fixtures are released there will be no variation due to the current situations.

Please visit the below link for fixtures, more rounds will be released as move ahead: <https://www.playhq.com/org/bendigo-basketball-association/49fc1a7a>

Entry

Team and parents are not to arrive early as we lock the doors while games are being played.

Participants may line up to enter the stadium 10 minutes prior to their game. Once the game has been completed, you must leave the stadium so that cleaning can commence for the next time slot immediately. Everyone must leave after the game concludes as part of the new processes.

All participants entering must adhere to 1.5m social distancing rules whilst lining to enter the stadium and also once they are in the stadium.

You will see all courts will be colour coded when entering the stadium. There will also be colour coded marks on the ground, you **MUST** stay in your colour coded area upon entry.

As you enter the stadium you will be required to scan a QR code. This QR code will take you to a link that will require you to input your name, mobile number, and what court you are playing on or spectating at for the night. This proof of scan must be shown to a biosafety officer on entry.

All children must be accompanied by parent/coach or team Manager to ensure processes are followed due to COVID19. Please note as per orange 50 Guidelines with Basketball Victoria we encourage 1 guardian per athlete.

Once you enter the stadium please use the sanitiser available at stations as you enter/exit. If there is an overcrowded sanitiser station, please move to another station to allow for easy movement.

There will be a short video to help with the process on entering the stadium. This will have all instructions in relation to entry and what is required from all stakeholders upon entry and also their time at Bendigo Stadium.

Spectators

Each child may have 1 spectator/parent allowed with them, the spectator/parent must follow all above guidelines and ensuring they scan in upon entry. Spectators must abide social distancing and remain in allocation areas to watch the game. The short video will also assist to remain in the allocated spectator area for their particular court whilst adhering to social distancing rules.

Scoring

All athletes **MUST** be registered into their team in Play HQ otherwise the athlete will not play.

We are using the Play HQ system and scoring will be done electronically to assist with cleaning procedures before and after each game.

Sanitiser stations will be available next to each score bench for anyone who may require this.

All players and coaches must adhere to 1.5m social distancing on player benches

Stadium scoring help can be found at the below link:

<https://support.playhq.com/section/60-scoring-a-game>

Game Rules

For this 2020 Winter Season all games will now have 18-minute halves, with the clock to stop in the last minute of the second half. Under 10's will remain at 16-minute halves.

Please visit the below link for all COVID-19 Rules:

<https://bendigobasketball.com.au/covid-19-timing-rules-and-bba-by-laws/>

There will be no shaking of hands before/during/after the match.

Individual Registration

All players must link to their team and pay the \$7 Bendigo Basketball Association fee.

Please visit the below link to link to your team:

<https://bendigobasketball.com.au/domestic-basketball/player-insurance-link-to-a-team/>

Player **MUST** register prior to their game commencement as this allows for a quick game start.

Basketball Victoria has now extended the player insurance by 4 months for players that have their insurance expire on the 30/09/2020. Most players would be covered from the previous 2019-20 summer season.

Everyone player must register prior to playing, if they are not registered they will not be able to take the court.

Team Payments

This season team payments will look a little different as we cannot take any cash payments as we are doing our part to help reduce the spread of COVID-19.

All team game payments must be submitted online via the website.

Please visit the below link for team payments:

<https://bendigobasketball.com.au/domestic-basketball/team-payments/>

It will be the sole responsibility of the manager to ensure game payments are submitted and up to date on a weekly basis.

We understand that this is not ideal for some but as mentioned we are doing our part to protect the wider community and have adopted a cashless process to ensure all safety measures are met.

COVID-19

If there is a COVID-19 case during the season, how this process will take place.

We will follow Victorian Chief Health Officer guidelines if there is case of COVID19.

Therefore, it is essential that everyone must be registered prior to the night of play and scan in on entry to the venue. This will enable us to make the required notifications to patriots and government if outbreak may occur.

We also encourage everyone entering the Bendigo stadium to download the government COVIDSafe app government app for tracing capabilities.

On behalf of Bendigo Basketball Association, we wish all team the best and look forward to the competition commencing and we look forward to having you back on the court.

Kind Regards,

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