

Warrnambool and District Football Umpires Association

Protocols for return to Umpire season 2020

CAR/TRAVEL:

There are no specific guidelines as to travel for Umpires by the AFL.



It has been advised by AFLWD that we adhere to Department of Health and Human Services Victoria protocol regarding Travel.

Key point:

- If you feel unwell, you should not travel. If you have symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19), however mild, you should get tested, return home immediately after the test and remain in self-isolation until you receive your test result.

Can I have passengers in my car?

- You should avoid carrying passengers in your car, unless they live in your household. **If you do need to carry passengers in your car, you should frequently clean and disinfect high-touch surfaces**
- WDFUA are advising on 3 passengers per car to games with strict Hygiene measures in place (travel will be split between cars/drivers)
- Temperature checks to be completed at the rooms prior to departure to games.
- WDFUA preferred option of travel will be with the designated driver BUT If you are driving yourself or getting a lift, please adhere to the key point if you feel unwell
- Open windows and adjust air conditioning to increase airflow

Hygiene

- Provide and promote hand sanitisers for use on entering buildings or transport

services, where possible.

- Wash hands thoroughly with soap and water for at least 20 seconds when able to

UMPIRE ROOM AT GROUNDS:

- 2 umpires within the room at a time unless the room is a larger one and can adhere to the 1.5 mtr social distancing then can increase to 3 or more (depending on size)
- If you need access to the shower post game the previous dot point applies
- **Umpires only** within the room. No club umpires can utilise the rooms (Only WDFUA appointed umpires as helps with contact tracing)
- we would prefer to minimise the use of umpire rooms at grounds where possible

PRE-GAME:

- When checking the ground adhere to 1.5 mtr social distancing
- Attire to the game: as the change rooms are limited to minimal umpires, umpires can wear their running gear under their tracksuit if they wish, but if you are not wearing your running outfit, then proper umpiring attire (trousers/WDFUA shirt) is to be worn to the game

GAME:

- Four boundary umpires have been appointed to games. Three umpires will be running per quarter and the fourth will be the umpire's water carrier for the quarter.
- Umpires will check boots and jewellery on the ground
- No lollies to be shared at half time
- There will be no canteen available so bring own food and drinks
- No high fives or handshakes
- No spitting or clearing of nasal passages permitted
- Cough/sneeze into elbow
- Avoid touching eyes, nose and mouth

BYO

- Hand sanitiser
- Own drink bottles clearly named are to be used. **No sharing**

Please remember to adhere to all protocols and if unsure call either myself Nicole Downie on 0402 065 350 (DOU/Field coach) or Steve Walker on 0421 097 190 (president)