

VOLLEYBALL VICTORIA STATEMENT **- Resumption of Activity**

25 May 2020

The Victorian Government made the following announcement on 13 May regarding an easing of restrictions, “Groups of up to 10 people only are permitted outdoors (or people from the same household), plus a coach/instructor or the minimum number of support staff reasonably required to run the activity”. Whilst a range of other measures remain, this current easing allows for people to come together in small groups and undertake training.

As such, Volleyball Victoria endorses **current** Affiliates to recommence activities within the Government guidelines. Please note, **the Return to Play Plan is still required by the Victorian Government and will provide the overarching guidelines for a safe resumption**. Affiliates need not submit a plan to Volleyball Victoria at this time but should be prepared to take appropriate steps after the Return to Play Plan is released following a compulsory review by Government.

Measures that Affiliates can expect will be required include:

- Ensuring all individuals are registered members with Volleyball Victoria prior to commencing activity
- Designating a ‘COVID-Safe Officer’ for each activity, responsible for
 - Monitoring adherence to restrictions, ie social distancing, etc
 - Maintaining an attendance register at each session
 - Sanitise equipment before and after sessions
 - Reinforcing health messages
- Encourage use of the Federal Government COVIDSafe app

All Affiliates who expect to recommence activity, **consistent with Government guidelines**, under the auspices of Volleyball Victoria are requested to notify of their planned resumption, please email Shannon Lennie, Member Services Coordinator, memberships@volleyballvictoria.org.au. Shannon can also provide clarity on your Association’s current Affiliation or individual member status.

In addition, the Government has indicated a further easing of restrictions from 21 June, including “Indoor sports centres and physical recreation venues, including gyms to open with up to 20 people per single undivided indoor space and up to 10 people per group/activity at any one time”. Volleyball Victoria will update communications at this time.

Reminder

Useful resources:

- Australian Institute of Sport, <https://www.sportaus.gov.au/media-centre/news/minister-for-sport-issues-covid-19-guidelines-for-community-sport>
- Department of Health & Human Services, www.dhhs.vic.gov.au/coronavirus