

COVID-19
RISK ASSESSMENT



BRITISH
DODGEBALL

Risk:	Spread of COVID-19	Who can be affected:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Coaches, players, volunteers, course participants • Vulnerable groups - Elderly, pregnant, those with existing underlying health conditions • Anyone who comes into physical contact with training groups
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Completed by:	Aden Woodall	Managing, preventing, and controlling risk: The British Dodgeball Development team are the staff members taking responsibility for coordinating the management of risk and keeping record of the steps taken to mitigate these. You can contact us by emailing hello@britishdodgeball.com .
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<p>We recommend that all clubs complete their own COVID-19 risk assessment.</p> <p>Look at how this might affect your club, continue by identifying the hazards that are the real priorities in your case and complete the table to suit your environment. A template can be found on the British Dodgeball website's Club Support section.</p> <p>COVID-19 is a biological hazard and appropriate measures need to be put in place to prevent the risk of spread of infection. Normally, the goal is to eliminate hazards where possible; however, COVID-19 is viral in nature and cannot simply be removed like a faulty piece of equipment. Instead, the aim is to introduce suitable and sufficient control measures to reduce the risk of contracting the virus to as low a level as is 'reasonably practicable'. In other words, measures should be implemented, but the time, cost and effort involved in implementing control measures should be reasonable when compared to the risk posed by COVID-19.</p> <p>More guidance can be given by checking the government guidance or by emailing hello@britishdodgeball.com.</p>	<p>Things to consider:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Take an accurate record of attendance to help manage 'track and trace' processes if an infection is reported by someone present at club activity. • Care should be taken regarding the sharing of equipment and other items such as water bottles. Handling shared items and touching the face is one way the virus can spread. • It is sensible to maximise the distance between people during physical activity. This is because there is a risk of increased droplet spread when people are breathing hard during exercise compared to a resting state. • Have you considered how COVID-19 affects how you would administer first aid? St John's Ambulance provide advice in case of this eventuality. • Remember your safeguarding policy; it is important that everything you do aligns with existing policies intended to keep members safe. • Finally, what do you do if someone is not adhering to the actions your club is taking to reduce the risk of spread of infection? It is sensible to have agreed actions to deal with unacceptable behaviour before an incident occurs.
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Risk:	Action taken:
COVID-19 is spread through inadequate hand hygiene	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hand washing facilities with soap and water in place • Stringent hand washing taking place • Gel sanitiser available and used regularly • Disposable towels available and used to wipe sweat off face • Gel sanitiser readily available in any area where hand-washing facilities are not
COVID-19 is spread through the sharing of equipment or kit	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Equipment disinfected before & after use – if ball material is cloth and unsuitable for liquid disinfecting, then all participants to wash their hands thoroughly before and after handling • Equipment stored securely • No sharing of kit • Minimal sharing of equipment • No sharing of water bottles • Throws aimed at the face to be strongly discouraged
COVID-19 is spread through direct physical contact or between individuals in close proximity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No close physical contact • Pass equipment between individuals using feet rather than hands • No hand shaking • No huddles • No touching face • If space allows, increase physical distancing between players during periods of heavy exertion
An individual who has symptoms attends a session	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Any participant experiencing symptoms to be sent home and follow Testing and Tracing advice on the government website • Stop session immediately if a session participant experiences symptoms (other participants are not required to self-isolate unless they are contacted by NHS Test and Trace)
An individual does not follow club rules regarding COVID-19	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Participant not following guidance to be warned once and subsequently asked to leave • Multiple instances of disregarding these rules to be dealt with as outlined in the British Dodgeball disciplinary policy