

Guidelines on the Safe Return to Gaelic Games

Purpose

On 12 June, the GAA, LGFA and Camogie Association published updates to its document entitled ‘Covid-19 Guidelines on Safe Return to Gaelic Games’ which was originally published on 5 June.

This educational resource only summarises the most significant changes in the updated Guidelines. All readers should familiarise themselves with the full content of the revised Guidelines and latest updates which are available at: <https://learning.gaa.ie/covid19>

Significant changes

Topic	Old Policy – 5.6.20	New Policy – 12.6.20
The Health Questionnaire / Temperature Checking	The Health Questionnaire had to be completed before each training session/game until further notice.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Health Questionnaire will need to be completed once, before the initial return to training. It will be the responsibility of the individual to inform the team’s Covid Supervisor of any change in circumstance before subsequent sessions.
	Each participant was advised to check and record their temperature on the Health Questionnaire. Clubs were also encouraged to make provisions for on-site temperature checking where necessary.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> It is the responsibility of the individual to monitor their own temperature. The presence of symptoms such as a high temperature (above 37.5c), cough, sore throat, general weakness, shortness of breath and change or absence in taste or smell prevents attendance at training with a recommendation that the individual contacts their General Practitioner.

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Temperature must not be recorded on the Health Questionnaire. • Clubs are not responsible for recording of temperatures.
	A question on the Health Questionnaire was “Have you been diagnosed with or do you believe you may currently have COVID-19?”	The updated question is “Do you believe that you may currently have COVID-19?”
	The GP name of each individual was required on the Health Questionnaire.	The GP’s name should not be recorded on the Health Questionnaire.

Additional Information

- The Health Questionnaire can be completed online or in hard copy, in which case it should be presented to the relevant Covid Supervisor on entry to the facility. It will be the responsibility of the individual to inform the team’s Covid Supervisor of any change in circumstance at subsequent sessions.
- An online system for the Health Questionnaire will be provided centrally by the GAA. This is the only online system that should be used. Further details in relation to the online solution will be circulated next week
- More information on where information will be stored in line with the data protection policies of the Gaelic Games organisations has been added to the Guidelines.
- Several amendments have been made to the contents of the Safe Return Roadmap.
- More tailored advice for Inter-County players will be issued in due course.

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