

CAMFORD SPORTS FC

FAW Return to Play Protocols

Parents Guide

You may be aware of the proposed new plan by the Football Association of Wales (FAW) to enter Phase 3 in their 'Return to Play' plan. We are excited as a club with the possible return to matches and a return to normality, but we are aware that the FAW plan is subject to change, particularly with the increase in Covid-19 across Wales.

Currently the FAW have deemed it safe for the mini section of the club (u6-u11 teams) to return to playing matches from the 21st September. Initially this will be against other teams within the club itself, but will be expanded to play local teams – subject to local lockdown measures and other instructions from FAW or Carmarthenshire

You may see that provisional dates for junior and youth teams (u12 upwards) have also been released. These are subject to change and the club is being realistic in its outlook on this, whilst remaining positive for the future.

Currently the club has created a risk assessment for the return to play for the minis section at Penygaer and will be updated again with more information when we know more about the juniors/youth teams and when we return to Coleg Sir Gar.

The new risk assessment can be accessed on the club's website: www.camfordsports.co.uk

I have summarised the key points for your responsibilities as parents in the following slides but need to stress the importance of one change to the spectators rule at Penygaer:

The FAW want all parents to remain in cars after dropping the players off, however, we understand the difficulties of this with public land such as Penygaer. Therefore, after consultation with the FAW we have decided that coaches will mark out a 10m 'no go' area around the pitch to keep both the players and coaches/helpers safe. It is vital to the safety of the club members that parents/spectators do not enter this area. You are welcome to watch from outside this distance, but please remember to socially distance from others and avoid hand contact and handling the footballs.

Please note that when we return to training/playing at Coleg Sir Gar, we will have to abide by their risk assessment which currently specifies no spectators and parents to remain in their cars. We will update all risk assessments and advice when we know more details on this

Thank you for your continued support

BEFORE YOU TRAIN OR PLAY

You must stay at home if:

- you have symptoms of COVID-19 (new persistent dry cough, fever, loss of taste or smell)
- you have had a positive test for COVID-19 or onset of symptoms of COVID-19 in the last 10 days. (Individuals who have completed their period of isolation (10 days) and have no remaining symptoms (other than a dry cough or loss of taste or smell which can last for some time) may return to normal activities)
- a member of my household has had symptoms of COVID-19 or has tested positive for COVID-19 in the last 14 days
- you have been contacted by a contact tracer from the Test, Trace and Protect Programme and told to isolate in the last 14 days as a contact of someone with confirmed COVID-19
- you have returned from a country outside of the UK currently on the exempt list - more information on self-isolation is available [here](#)

You must:

- Familiarise yourself with COVID-19 safety protocols at your club
- Ensure your club has up-to-date contact details for you
- If you have additional concerns due to underlying medical conditions – or living with people with underlying conditions – please discuss these concerns with your Club COVID-19 Compliance Officer as part of your club's risk assessment. Further guidance is available [here](#)

REMEMBER: Some players or coaches may not feel comfortable in returning to train, clubs should communicate with all members prior to returning to train so people are aware of the protocols in place.



PLAYER & PARENT RESPONSIBILITIES

- All players & parents / guardians of underage players must be familiar with the FAW Safer Return to Play protocol
- Clubs must ensure that all players & parents/guardians of underage players are briefed on the protocol before returning to training
- Players and parents/guardians are advised to keep up to date with the latest COVID-19 advice and information via <https://gov.wales/coronavirus>
- Adult players must arrive to the training venue alone or can be dropped off by a member of the same or extended household – *this is subject to changes in local restrictions*
- Underage players must be dropped off by a member of the same or extended household or can arrive to training venue alone (if appropriate age) – *this is subject to change in local restrictions*
- Parents should not remain at the training or playing venue unless there is a safeguarding or health reason for them to be present Please read first page letter and risk assessment for update on this
- Any parents who need to remain with their children for safeguarding or health reasons do not need to be incorporated within the maximum of 30-person limit
- Players must arrive in their training or playing kit and with their own equipment including water (labelled with their name) and shin pads
- Goalkeepers, or any player acting as a goalkeeper, must wear their own gloves
- Players should bring their own hand sanitiser
- Personal items must be labelled with the player's name and not shared
- Players must bring all personal items home with them



If you would like to read the full FAW guidelines, then you can view them here:

<https://www.faw.cymru/en/covid-19/>