



# Darts Victoria

Return to  
Sport  
Plan



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## Back to Sport Overview

This Document is to be used as a guideline to recommence the sport of Darts in Victoria. Any Changes to these standards should be discussed and approved by Darts Victoria.

The games can only commence once approval from any Commonwealth or State Government authority is provided. Please note that Darts being an inside community sport will not be allowed until at least Stage 3 under current AIS and Government guidelines. At all times we must respond to the directives of Public Health Authorities.

Resumption of Darts should not compromise the health of individuals and the community.

### **Training:**

It is vital that at least TWO committee members of affiliated associations should complete COVID-19 training as per the below link. One of these members to complete the training MUST be the COVID-19 Safety Coordinator. Training is free and Certificates should be kept by the association secretary and forwarded to the Darts Victoria Secretary on [dartsvictroiasecretary@y7mail.com](mailto:dartsvictroiasecretary@y7mail.com).

<https://www.health.gov.au/resources/apps-and-tools/covid-19-infection-control-training#registration>

Please register and go to the eLearning Modules of Infection Control Training-COVID-19.

All members should be encouraged to download the COVID-19 Keep Safe app.

### **Sanitizers and Hygiene:**

Hand sanitizers should be placed at each entrance to the venue, and on each table, bar, and facilities. Appropriate signage should be placed beside these items.

It must be compulsory for each person to use hand sanitizers on entry on the premises (this should be monitored by the committee members).

Handwashing methods should be displayed (refer COVID-19 signage

<https://www.health.gov.au/resources/collections/coronavirus-covid-19-campaign-resources#posters>).

Sanitizer wipes should also be available:

- Cover your coughs and sneezes with your elbow
- Put used tissues straight into the bin
- Wash your hands often with soap and water, including before and after eating and after going to the toilet.
- Use alcohol-based hand sanitizers (at least 65% alcohol).
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth.
- Clean and disinfect frequently used surfaces such as benchtops, desks, and doorknobs.
- Clean and disinfect frequently used objects such as mobile phones, keys, wallets, and work passes.



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### **Health:**

Any person who attends showing any signs of a cold, flu or like symptoms should be requested to leave the premises immediately and not return until the symptoms pass.

### **Attendance:**

It is extremely important during this time that a list of all members and visitors in the dart area is kept maintained. This log should be kept as official records each night. It is not sufficient that you just use teams' sheets, as the log needs to include all players and visitors on each night of play. Contact details of all in attendance should be collected and kept for 28 days. If a person does not provide their information for the log, then they must be asked to leave immediately. (Draft log has been provided and is recommended for use).

1. Signage as per attached proformas to be displayed on tables and entrance to the venue.
2. Signage should be updated in accordance with changes made by the Commonwealth and state government
3. measures to minimize travel, with players to remain at local clubs
4. measures to ensure participants are free of COVID-19 symptoms prior to turning up (i.e. through communication)
5. strategies to address non-compliance

### **Social Distancing:**

Encroachment rules are to be enforced. If possible, a 1.5metre line must be permanently placed behind the Oche. (if not possible then this line must be drawn prior to start of play).

A mark is also to be placed (if Possible) for the Chalker to stand on once a player commences their walk to the board to retrieve their darts. The Chalker should only leave this mark when the player has returned to the Oche or beyond.

Players should retrieve their own darts and move way from the board on the opposite side of the Chalker.

Only retrieve your own darts from the board.

Teams should allow for extra seating and distance between boards. If this is not possible, then associations are to consider separate nights of play for teams.

A spare table or Board is possible should be left between each match.

Continue to apply the 4sqm rules. Tables should be 3 meters away from each other and the bar area. Tables should be cleaned after every event.

Captains should write their teams on the board, separately prior to the commencement of the game.



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Players should be encouraged to use their own pens or enough should be provided for each player to have their own pen. Sanitizer wipes should also be available for pens to be wiped after use.

Regular cleaning schedule for common use areas (i.e. daily)

Measures for managing entry/exit points and separate any areas where people may gather should be undertaken and noted

Measures to restrict the gathering of spectators (i.e. no spectators allowed) within the venues.

No handshakes, high fives or similar are to take place

Club Rooms including change rooms are to remain closed, except for toilets.

Darts is no longer the game that starts and finishes with a handshake. Please remind players that it is no longer considerate or necessary to shake hands. Simple vocal gestures are sufficient.

**If a person contracts COVID-19:**

The detection of a positive COVID-19 case in a sporting club or organization will result in a standard public health response, which could include quarantine of large groups and close contacts, for the required period. You must advise every person who was in contact with that person on the night of play. You will need to consult your log.

For further information the contact number is 1800 020 080 or website

<https://www.dhhs.vic.gov.au/coronavirus>

It is important that the persons privacy is always maintained, therefore you should not divulge the name of the person who has contracted COVID-19 only the situation of a positive case.

Please see the COVID-19 Suspected case flyer for more information.



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# Back to Sport Plan

Darts Victoria is actively working with the Department of Health and Human Services on approval for joint submission for back to sport for indoor sport in Victoria.

Approval is being sort as a group from the Victorian government for return to sport in either stage 2 or stage 3 (depending on numbers and guidelines). The following commitment has been given to Department of Health and human services and once approval to recommence the following is required.

## **Plan for recommence of sport in Victoria by Darts Victoria Affiliates.**

Darts Victoria will monitor and approve the following:

1. All affiliated Association Committees must complete the COVID-19 training on Victorian health and any other training as recommended by Darts Victoria and Department of Health and Human Services. Certificates for such training to be provided to Darts Victoria secretary with confirmation as completed training. Information can be obtained at <https://www.health.gov.au/resources/apps-and-tools/covid-19-infection-control-training#registration>
2. Each affiliate or Dart Club/League/Venue must provide Darts Victoria Secretary with the name and contact of their appointed COVID-19 Coordinator
3. Each Affiliate or Dart Club/League/Venue is to follow the Darts Victoria Back to Sport Plan which includes the following but not limited to:
  - a. a regular cleaning schedule for common use areas on an hourly basis, especially toilets and bathrooms and high traffic areas.
  - b. measures for managing entry/exit points and separate any areas where people may gather
  - c. measures to restrict the gathering of spectators (i.e. no spectators allowed)
  - d. that no handshakes, high fives or similar are to take place
  - e. that club rooms including change rooms are to remain closed, except for toilets
  - f. measures to minimize travel, with players to remain at local clubs
  - g. measures to ensure participants are free of COVID-19 symptoms prior to turning up (i.e. through communication)
  - h. strategies to address non-compliance
  - i. Ensuring social distancing of 4sq meters per person on the night of play, including entry and exit (common areas), tables and boards placement.
  - j. Number of players per night of fixture (fixture sheets may be requested to confirm this).



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- k. Hygiene measures
  - l. Signage to be used
  - m. Team briefings that will be undertaken prior to play each night
  - n. Staffing (non-playing participants) requirements and needs – are spectators allowed?
  - o. Record of Attendance logs
  - p. Hand Sanitizing on a regular basis whilst in the venue, not just on entry
  - q. Patrons placing empty drink cans and disposable cups/glasses, cutlery and crockery in the bin to lessen contact.
  - r. Cleaning is supposed to be every hour .. ( a wipe down of tables and bathrooms)
4. Confirmation of numbers and at which stage you are intending to return. (no beverage or food services for stage 2 are allowed).

Darts Victoria will continue to monitor the situation and will ensure all affiliates have sign off by Executives prior to commencement of play.



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## COVID-19 Safety Coordinator

Your organization should appoint a COVID-19 Safety Coordinator. The COVID-19 Safety Coordinator will be your key resource and central point of contact for all matters COVID-19 for your organization.

The Safety Coordinator will be responsible for liaising with other clubs, associations, State and National Sporting Organizations and other relevant stakeholders in relation to your organization's response to COVID-19.

To assist organizations in appointing the right and most appropriately skilled person for this role, below is a list of the responsibilities for your COVID-19 Safety Coordinator

### **Your COVID-19 Safety Coordinator COVID-19 Safety Coordinator Roles and Responsibilities**

- Complete the relevant Return to Sport Checklist(s) by considering the actions set out in each checklist and implementing (or arranging to implement) relevant considerations in your organization and documenting justifications for not undertaking actions.
- Oversee the development and implementation of the organization's return to sport arrangements by documenting those arrangements in a COVID-19 Safety Plan.
- The COVID-19 Safety Plan should address:
  - Points of COVID-19 transmission risk.
  - Transmission controls.
  - Hygiene and behavior requirements.
  - Physical and fitness preparations before a restart; and
  - Education and communication to relevant personnel.
- Periodically review the effectiveness of the COVID-19 Safety Plan for your organization and amend, update, or improve, as necessary.
- Advise the committee/board of your organization on the effectiveness of COVID-19 Safety Plan arrangements and seek assistance where required.
- Assist your organization to safely ramp up activity through the three phases of the Australian government's "Roadmap to a COVID Safe Australia" and as permitted by the State Government of Victoria.
- Act as the contact point for your organization's members and participants – particularly around questions relating to return to sport and the actions your organization has taken to be COVID Safe – and other relevant stakeholders (including government, public health and other authorities, other clubs, associations, State and National Sporting Organizations).



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# Resources

## Posters & Media

<https://www.health.gov.au/resources/collections/coronavirus-covid-19-campaign-resources#posters>

## Australian Government

<https://www.health.gov.au/>

## Victorian Government

<https://www.vic.gov.au/coronavirus-covid-19-restrictions-victoria>

## Vic Sport

<https://vicsport.com.au/>

## Darts Victoria

<https://www.dartsvictoria.com.au/>

## Darts Australia

<https://dartsaustralia.com/>