

The purpose of this document is to give some guidance to member schools in their reintroduction to SSATIS/NSATIS/SATIS sporting competitions.

The main priority is the physical, emotional and mental wellbeing of students, increasing their social involvement and their feeling of connectedness as part of their team and school community.

Each step towards resuming SATIS sport will be governed to ensure the health and safety of all involved - players, coaches, officials, parents and spectators. AHISA will follow the advice and recommendations from government and public health authorities on return to SATIS sport.

SATIS recommends that schools follow the advice of the Australian Institute of Sports (AIS) Framework for Rebooting Sport in a COVID-19 Environment – Executive summary ([https://ais.gov.au/\\_data/assets/pdf\\_file/0008/730376/35845\\_AIS-Framework-for-rebooting-sport\\_FA.pdf](https://ais.gov.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0008/730376/35845_AIS-Framework-for-rebooting-sport_FA.pdf)), and the advice of government and health authorities in preparing and implementing a COVID-19 return to sport plan.

SATIS will require each school to follow Sport Australia's four elements of a safe return to sport ([https://www.sportaus.gov.au/return-to-sport#COVID-19\\_safety\\_plan](https://www.sportaus.gov.au/return-to-sport#COVID-19_safety_plan))

- **Plan:** Implementing plans, processes and systems to meet government and health requirements, and provide safe sport environments
- **Prepare:** Ensuring safe facility and participant practices, like hygiene practices, attendance registers at training and limiting shared equipment as much as possible.
- **Respond:** Being prepared for management of a COVID-19 outbreak
- **Recover:** Consideration of protocols to optimise good public and participant health into the future

All schools will need to provide their COVID-19 return to sport plan and venue management protocols on submission of teams to sporting rosters. SATIS requires schools to use the COVID-19 Safety Plan template provided by SATIS for all return to sport plans.

Prior to the commencement of SATIS Sport it is recommended that schools educate their community members on required behaviour and hygiene practices in their sport environment.

SATIS require all schools to;

- Ensure venue and equipment is cleaned as per requirements
- ~~— Have a COVID Safety coordinator who will mark attendance and monitor venue capacity and physical distancing measures~~
- ~~— Provide hygiene officer (this can be the same person as COVID Safety coordinator)~~
- Provide hand sanitiser on entry to gym/oval
- Display COVID Safe resources and education material regarding physical distancing and hygiene practices.
- *Update 15 June 2021* – Dedicated COVID-19 Safety Officer not required at small sports events such as home and away fixtures. Check In Tas QR Code and safety signage must be displayed.

SATIS require all community members attending SATIS sport to;

- Practice and maintain good hygiene
- Practice physical distancing of 1.5m
- Stay away from sport if unwell



- **Individuals should not attend/play sport if in the last 14 days they have been unwell or had contact with a known or suspected case of COVID-19.**

SATIS recommends community members to download and use the COVIDSafe App.

Players in SATIS rosters should:

- Arrive at venues ready to train/play
- Bring own water bottle already filled
- Minimise use of change rooms, bathrooms and communal areas

SATIS delegates should communicate each school's venue plans so that all participants, referees, coaches, spectators etc. are aware of the processes when attending away games. SATIS encourages each team to have hand sanitiser in their team kits.

SATIS encourage delegates and their nominated COVID Safety Coordinator to undertake the COVID Safety officer training which is a free Australian Government online initiative: [COVID-19 Infection Control Training](#)

Where an external venue is utilised by SATIS, the admin officer will communicate requirements to school delegates or the school delegate who has booked the external venue.

Resources;

Sport, Recreation and Communities Tas <https://coronavirus.tas.gov.au/families-community/sport-exercise-and-recreation>

AIS Framework: ([https://ais.gov.au/\\_data/assets/pdf\\_file/0008/730376/35845\\_AIS-Framework-for-rebooting-sport\\_FA.pdf](https://ais.gov.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0008/730376/35845_AIS-Framework-for-rebooting-sport_FA.pdf)),

Australian Sport Toolkit: ([https://www.sportaus.gov.au/return-to-sport# covid-19\\_safety\\_plan](https://www.sportaus.gov.au/return-to-sport# covid-19_safety_plan))

## **SATIS Sports**

Athletics  
Australian Rules Football  
Badminton  
Cricket  
Cross Country  
Hockey  
Netball  
Soccer  
Softball  
Table Tennis  
Tennis