

**SOUTHAM UNITED FOOTBALL CLUB
GUIDANCE FOR MATCHES
AT BOBBY HANCOCKS PARK**

This document is intended for coaches / players / match officials / spectators and other visitors involved with matches at Bobby Hancocks Park.

These guidelines must be emailed to all visiting teams prior to Matchday as well as being made available on our website (www.southamunited.com).

Please study carefully and abide by these guidelines.

PRE-ATTENDANCE

Anyone intending to visit Southam United must undergo a self-assessment for any COVID-19 symptoms before travelling to the ground.

No one should leave home to participate / attend if they, or someone they live with, has symptoms of COVID-19 currently recognised as any of the following:

- A high temperature
- A new, continuous cough
- A loss of, or change to, their sense of smell or taste

Should an individual have demonstrated any such symptoms, they must follow NHS and PHE guidance on self-isolation.

TRAVEL TO VENUE

Participants are encouraged to follow best practice for travel including minimizing the use of public transport and minimizing the use of car sharing. People from a household or support bubble can travel together in a vehicle but please limit the number of non-participants if you are able to do so.

Parking will be at Bobby Hancocks Park, entrance off Lark Road; please then follow signage as directed.

Entrance to the ground will only be via the entrance at the far end of the clubhouse.

SPECTATORS must either "check in" by using their NHS Covid-19 app and scanning our NHS QR code located at the entrance or by entering their names and contact numbers on the register upon entry for track and trace purposes.

Maintain social distancing at all times.

AT THE VENUE

Please limit the time spent congregating at the venue before and after matches.

PLAYERS SHOULD SOCIALLY DISTANCE whilst waiting to warm up, play, during breaks in play, etc..

SPECTATORS should socially distance at all times with "bubbles" of no more than 6 persons; and follow signage as appropriate.

SPECTATORS may use the external toilet facilities on a "one in, one out" basis.

SPECTATORS may use the external kiosk to purchase hot & cold refreshments (but **NO** alcohol).

Please depart as soon as possible at the end of the match.

CLUBHOUSE USEAGE

The internal parts of the clubhouse will not be open to spectators.

Players and officials may use the changing rooms and internal toilet facilities in a socially distanced manner.

Within these the showers can be used at no more than 2 at a time.

NO formal hospitality will be provided to visiting teams / match officials.

The facilities must be sanitised before and after matches with high touch areas sanitised on a regular basis.

DURING MATCHES

Coaches must sanitise balls and other equipment prior to useage and at regular intervals, including at the end of the match.

Players and officials should sanitise hands before and after each match and at scheduled breaks.

Ball handling should be kept to a minimum with most contact via a boot. Balls should be disinfected regularly.

Goalkeepers should disinfect their gloves before and after each session / match and at scheduled breaks.

Match Officials - flags should be sanitised before and after each game and at half time. Please also consider the payment of match fees by bank transfer.

Equipment sharing will be limited as far as practicable.

Whilst "contact" is allowed during matches, social distancing should be maintained when possible, including during breaks and at the end of the match.

There must be NO pre-match handshakes, high fives, huddles, scoring celebrations or face-to-face confrontations.

All participants should avoid shouting or raising their voices when facing each other during, before and after matches.

Coaches will, as far as practicable, maintain social distancing during the matches.

Participants should refrain from spitting or rinsing out their mouths on or around the playing area.

Players should bring their own clearly labeled water bottles and hand sanitiser and must not share with others.

Treatment of any injuries to participants by coaches / physios will be permitted as participant wellbeing is utmost.

The first aiders must maintain their own rigorous cleaning, personal hygiene and regular hand hygiene at all times and wear face masks when undertaking treatment.

After contact with an injured participant, the first aider will hand sanitise at the earliest opportunity.

The first aider must keep a record of each participant they have treated for track and trace purposes.

FOR VISITING TEAMS - it is your responsibility for ensuring the provision of cleaning / sanitizing materials for your team; and for providing a list of the names of your players, coaching staff and officials attending the match for track and trace purposes.

ANYONE WHO DEVELOPS SYMPTOMS OF COVID-19 WITHIN 14 DAYS OF ATTENDING A MATCH AT BOBBY HANCOCKS PARK MUST INFORM THEIR REGULAR SOUTHAM UNITED CONTACT AND/OR CALL 07449 761688 IMMEDIATELY.

Thank you in advance for abiding by these guidelines and above all ENJOY YOUR FOOTBALL SAFELY.

**Southam United Football Club
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