

Evenley Cricket Club

Return to Cricket Policy during COVID-19

Evenley Cricket Club has taken advice from Northants Recreational Cricket, our insurers, Evenley Parish Council and the South Northants Cricket League. We believe that the following Policy complies with current Government and ECB rules and guidelines.

Any queries should be directed to Richard Darby, Club Welfare Officer, as follows: M: 07715 004855, or E: richarddarby@darbygroup.co.uk

1. No-one should attend if they, or a member of their household, is experiencing any of the three main symptoms of COVID-19, however mild. These are as follows: a high temperature, a new and continuous cough, and loss or change to their sense of smell or taste.
2. Current social distancing rules should be observed at all times, even during wicket celebrations. Batters should run in marked running lanes. No changing rooms, food or drinks will be provided.
3. There will be no sharing of equipment - players must be able to provide their own equipment.
4. The home captain will appoint one person who will be responsible for setting up and taking down the pitch (stumps, bails, boundary markers and scoreboard).
5. Each team will be allocated its own outdoor area for kit bags etc, and in the event of inclement weather each participant should return to their own car.
6. The scorers should sit two metres apart and avoid sharing pens or pencils.
7. No sweat or saliva should be applied to the ball at any time. The ball should be returned directly to the bowler, not passed around the field, and only the fielding captain should be responsible for cleaning the ball (every six overs or 20 minutes).
8. The umpires should not touch the ball and nor will they be expected to look after any clothing or equipment, which should be deposited off the pitch. Only the umpires will handle the stumps and bails during the game.
9. The practice net must remain closed while matches are being played.
10. Participants should wash their hands thoroughly before and after playing, and they should be responsible for providing their own hand sanitizer for use during the game (every six overs or 20 minutes). **Please note**, the club will also provide hand sanitiser and wipes.
11. All participants must provide their contact details in the event that they need to be contacted by NHS Test and Trace, and by participating in the game they agree to abide by this Policy.
12. As usual, all participants take part at their own risk and Evenley Cricket Club cannot be held responsible for any loss or damage arising therefrom.