



**Nottingham Croquet Club
Risk Assessment - Playing Croquet**

Main Covid-19 Specific Risks Associated with Playing Croquet

Date of Risk Assessment: 14 April 2021

<u>Hazard</u>	<u>Who Might be Harmed</u>	<u>Control/Precautions</u>	<u>Additional Information</u>
Droplet and aerosol transmission: Indoors	All club visitors	Croquet should only be played outdoors. Indoor areas should generally not be used but may where necessary to access equipment and to use the toilet. Players should arrive dressed to play and avoid using changing facilities. Face coverings should be worn indoors.	Spectators are not permitted on private land but can gather in groups of 6 on public land.
Droplet and aerosol transmission: Outdoors	Players, Referees, Coaches	Croquet courts are large areas and 2m social distancing is possible and should be observed. For informal play, no more than six players may occupy a full size court, only four players should occupy a half size/short court. Players should not mix or interchange with those from other groups.	Gathering limits do not apply to formally organised activity. Such activity will be publicised in advance and run by a manager/organiser, who is responsible for ensuring that the activity is Covid-19 secure. Participants should maintain social distancing.
Fomite transmission: Shared Playing Equipment	Players and Coaches	Any shared equipment e.g. hoops, balls should be washed down after use. If possible avoid sharing of club mallets. If mallets are shared they should be wiped as they are swapped	
Fomite transmission: Other Contaminated Surfaces	All club visitors	Hand washing facilities and/or hand sanitiser are provided and all visitors encouraged to use them. Items such as padlocks, door handles, and chairs should be wiped after use. Toilets and taps should be wiped after use.	

Onward Transmission	All club visitors	Contact details of those visiting the club will be taken and retained for 21 days. A lawn booking system is in use. The QR code for our premises is displayed on the door of the pavilion.	
Overall Assessment			
<p>Croquet is inherently a relatively low risk activity, being an individual sport played outdoors with no personal contact. Most players will by now have received at least a first dose of vaccine. The residual risk can be further reduced by the mitigations stated above. Given the benefits of playing for physical and mental health and the current, reducing, incidence of infection, the overall assessment is that the sport should resume for both recreational and organised play.</p>			
Date of Next Review	17th May 2021		