

Nottingham Croquet Club Risk Assessment - Playing Croquet

Main Covid-19 Specific Risks Associated with Playing Croquet

Date of Risk Assessment: 19 Oct 2021

<u>Hazard</u>	Who Might be Harmed	Control/Precautions	Additional Information
Droplet and aerosol transmission: Indoors	All club visitors	People should avoid congregating in the pavilion, particularly around self-service refreshment areas, or around the entrance door. Doors and windows should be opened to increase ventilation.	
Droplet and aerosol transmission: Outdoors	Players, Referees, Coaches	Croquet courts are large areas so it is generally unnecessary for close contact between players. Referees and coaches should avoid close interaction with players.	
Fomite transmission: Shared Playing Equipment	Players and Coaches	Transmission risk from outdoor playing equipment is very low. It is a wise precaution to wash hands after play and between sharing equipment.	
Fomite transmission: Other Contaminated Surfaces	All club visitors	Hand washing facilities and/or hand sanitiser are provided and all visitors encouraged to use them.	
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

Croquet is inherently a relatively low risk activity, being an individual sport played outdoors with no personal contact. All adult players will by now have had the opportunity to receive at least two doses of vaccine and some will have had a booster. The residual risk can be further reduced by the mitigations stated above. Given the benefits of playing for physical and mental health, the overall assessment is that the sport should continue for both recreational and organised play.

Date of Next Review

15th March 2022