



SPECTATOR GUIDANCE

RESTART OF GRASSROOTS FOOTBALL TRAINING AND MATCHES FROM 29.03.21

No spectators are permitted at grassroots football, or training.

Attendance at training

FA guidance states that there can be 1 parent/guardian per child in attendance, this is for safeguarding and only if the facility can accommodate this safely.

For clarification, most of us train on the astro, therefore we ask that no parents stay to watch training unless *absolutely necessary* from a welfare/safeguarding perspective. Even then we ask that parents watch from outside the caged area apart from the youngest age groups (up to 10 years of age), otherwise there will be too many people in the facility.

Attendance at matches

Once again FA guidance states that there can be 1 parent/guardian per child for safeguarding, but only if the facility you are playing at can safely accommodate this and all social distancing guidance is adhered to. This is obviously easier when teams play on open fields with more viewing areas, but spectators should be behind the respect barrier on the opposite side to the team benches and not behind goals.

The above are the FA Guidelines, if clubs flaunt the rules then the County FA or FA have the powers to close any club down with immediate effect. We are trying to keep you all safe and all able to continue to play football.

Please help by encouraging other parents to not congregate or watch if not absolutely necessary. I appreciate everyone wants to see their child playing, hopefully if we stick to the rules now, then they will start to relax the rules in the coming weeks.

Thank you all for your help and assistance.