

## TRANSPORT TO TRAINING & FIXTURES: COVID-19



### GENERAL TRAVEL ADVICE

1. All participants and other attendees should follow best practice for travel, including minimising use of public transport.
2. Participants should walk or cycle if possible. People from a household or support bubble can travel together in a vehicle.
3. Clubs should encourage all players to arrive for training and matches by their own personal car or by other means if viable such as walking or bike.
4. Players must not car-share outside their household or social bubble unless unavoidable.
5. Any failure to follow this advice may be considered a club disciplinary issue. Team officials will be held accountable for any failure to apply this guidance.

### TRAVEL TO AWAY GAMES

6. For away games it is encouraged that clubs make arrangements for players to travel independently, as above.
7. However, if a team absolutely need to use coach travel or if participants have to travel with people outside of their household or support bubble for matches or away games, they and the club should try to:
  - (i) Share the transport with the same people each time;
  - (ii) Keep to small groups of people at any one time;
  - (iii) Open windows for ventilation;
  - (iv) Face away from each other;
  - (v) Clean the vehicle between journeys using standard cleaning products - including door handles and other areas that people may touch;
  - (vi) Ask the driver and passengers to wear a face covering as well as any passengers;
  - (vii) Consider seating arrangements to maximise distance between people in the vehicle;
  - (viii) Wear face coverings on coaches or minibuses;
  - (ix) Regularly sanitise hands on a coach or minibus;
  - (x) Only stop at garages, petrol stations or motorway services if absolutely necessary and minimise any time spent at those areas;
  - (xi) Wash hands for at least 20 seconds or sanitise hands often, and always when exiting or re-entering the vehicle.

8. To support (7), the team manager should provide the Football Chair with a travel proposal at least 24 hours before any fixture.

### **WHERE SHARED TRAVEL IS USED**

9. Team officials to record details of travel, specifically shared transport used, and confirmation that appropriate precautions have been exercised and send to Football Secretary within 5 hours of return journey ending.

### **USE OF THE MINIBUS**

10. Due to the cleaning requirements, use of the minibus will be restricted and will only be permitted where the travel plan is agreed with the Football Chair in advance, as set out at (8).
11. At the conclusion of any journey in the minibus, all rubbish should be cleared from the vehicle and no items of kit should be left on board.
12. Arrangements will be made to clean the bus and all surfaces. Until that cleaning has been satisfactorily completed, the minibus will remain out of use.

*This guidance applies to all journeys undertaken, including training, on or after 1 August 2020.*