



Club PPE Supplementary Pack

The IRFU have procured a 'Club PPE Supplementary Pack' to assist with your clubs' implementation of the COVID-19 Club Health & Safety Plan. This pack will be sent to the address provided by the COVID-19 Club Safety Officer next week. (w/c 29th June)

Further details on the use of PPE can be found in Section 4 of the IRFU COVID-19 Health & Safety Operating Procedures For Clubs. This document and all IRFU Return To Rugby Guidelines For Clubs can be found at <https://www.irishrugby.ie/running-your-club/return-to-rugby-for-clubs/>

The IRFU has secured a 10% discount for clubs looking to purchase PPE from a preferred supplier. Further details to follow.

Please find outlined here the elements included in the supplementary pack and usage suggestions:

1. Masks – 150 Medical Grade

As there a limited number of masks, these are not intended for use by everyone. Specifically, we suggest that these masks are used:

- Where players/coaches cannot be social distant e.g. in summer camps with kids
- Where there is an injury (doctor and player should wear);
- Where there is a suspected case- first get the mask to the person with the suspected case and then on anyone near that person

Please consult the WHO guidelines on how to wear a mask, which is in the appendix section of <https://www.irishrugby.ie/running-your-club/return-to-rugby-for-clubs/> . We would suggest that you print this and put it in relevant areas around your club.

2. Gloves – 3 boxes of 100 gloves

As with the masks provided, there are a limited number of gloves, these are not intended for use by everyone. Specifically, we suggest that these gloves are used:

- Where players/coaches cannot be social distant e.g. in summer camps with kids
- Where there is an injury (doctor and player should wear);

While there is some scientific debate on the efficacy of using gloves, it is very important that gloves are used correctly. Please follow guidelines on use of gloves.

3. Hand sanitiser and wall-mounted dispenser

We would suggest that you place the wall-mounted dispenser at the main entrance point to club house, and the bottles at exit/entry from the pitch. The regular use of hand-sanitiser, combined with physical distancing and washing of hands, is the most effective way to mitigate against COVID-19. In the first delivery we will send one 5L of hand Sanitiser together with smaller bottles which can then be refilled from the 5L drum.

We will also send you an additional 4 x 5 Litre drums of hand-sanitiser re-fill supply in the following week after the first PPE delivery. Some clubs may also receive extra gloves to make up their full complement of gloves as part of this second delivery.

4. 450 Anti-septic wipes

We have decided not to send disinfectant as part of this pack, as clubs can easily source this in their local shops, but we would recommend that clubs disinfect balls, equipment and surfaces regularly.

As mentioned above, this pack is not intended as a complete solution to what needs to be done at all clubs. We would recommend that clubs print and laminate advisory posters which can be accessed at in the Appendix section of at <https://www.irishrugby.ie/running-your-club/return-to-rugby-for-clubs/> and follow all 'Return to Rugby' Protocols which are also accessible on this link.