



Victorian Billiards & Snooker Association Inc.

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Representing & Developing the Sport of Billiards & Snooker in Victoria

Patron: The Honourable Linda Dessau AC, Governor of Victoria

As we return to play, the ABSC has provided a [Quick Reference Guide](#) for Billiards and Snooker players.

In addition, the VBSA Board wishes to highlight requirements applicable to our own State that may be slightly different to other States and have been agreed with Sports and Recreation Victoria. These are the requirements by which we must abide.

1. Physical Distancing

The Victorian State Health Authorities have allowed us to return to social/practise play from Monday 22nd June. However, there must be no competition.

In addition to the 1.5m spacing, Victoria has determined that there must be no more than 20 people per enclosed space. Each table in a venue should only have 2 players - no Referees or Spectators.

There are no handshakes, high fives or similar permitted. Players should remain at local clubs, and travel is to be minimised.

2. Sanitise and minimise the use of shared equipment.

All the ABSC requirements are to be applied, and the bed cloth is to be ironed regularly during opening hours. Cushions should be vacuumed with a vacuum cleaner fitted with a High Efficiency Particulate Air (HEPA) filter. The HEPA filter should have a Serial Number; if it doesn't, it's not appropriate.

The scoreboard should also be cleaned and disinfected before and after play.

3. Hygiene, Cleaning and Disinfecting.

When competition is allowed, the VBSA will recommend that Referees should have rubber gloves inside their cotton gloves.

4. Stay Home if Unwell.

5. Contact Tracing.

6. Vulnerable Players.

The VBSA asks everybody to consider their vulnerability, and there is no problem with people electing not to return to play yet.

Both the ABSC and VBSA requirements are to be applied. Please do not transgress, as the VBSA Strategies to address Non-Compliance will be severe.

For Victoria, the COVID-19 Safety Co-ordinator is David Chigwidden (secretary@vbsa.org.au) or 0404 888 072. David is available to answer any queries. Transgressions should be reported to David also.