



MCSA Newsletter #05 24th May 2021

1. Message from the President

A couple of serious injuries were brought to our attention. We wish these players a speedy recovery.

We continue to remind everyone to play with passion and play with **RESPECT**.

2. Things You Need To Know & Adhere To

2.1 COVIDSafe Record keeping

A timely reminder that COVID is not over. For the safety of your family, friends and loved ones, we all need to remain vigilant and continue our COVIDSafe practices.

MCSA is using the Victorian Government QR Code Service at the Boronia Grove Reserve. Please ensure that you check-in first before entering the pavilion.

MCSA provided all our registered teams with a COVID Attendance Record sheet. On game day, all the teams are required to keep a record of their officials, family, friends, and supporters who attend the game. The collection of contact details makes it even faster for contact tracers to identify and contact people in the unlikely event of potential exposure to a COVID-19 case at a sports venue. The COVID Attendance Record sheet is available from [Return to Training - Record of Attendance \(mcsafootball.org.au\)](https://mcsafootball.org.au). We also encourage all the teams to use this record sheet for all your training sessions.

The more rapidly contact tracers can identify close contacts, the faster we can get on top of an outbreak. These measures protect all Victorians and enable us to keep doing the things we enjoy. Your cooperation and support are essential and appreciated.

2.2 Game Day Compliance

Be warned. Your referee has the right to forfeit your game if you do not have the required documentation. You can locate all the relevant documents from the following links:

[Print Player List - MCSA \(mcsafootball.org.au\)](https://mcsafootball.org.au)
[Documents - MCSA \(mcsafootball.org.au\)](https://mcsafootball.org.au)

We strongly suggest that you print your documents before the weekend when you have much better support if needed. Forgetting to bring your documents is not a valid and acceptable reason. Neither is attempting to print your documents during the weekend and claim that your print request failed.

2.3 Technical Areas

For all the fenced sports fields (e.g. Darebin, Knox, Tatterson Park, Narre P12) the technical areas must not have unauthorized personnel. That is, supporters and all other unauthorized personnel must be outside of the fenced area. **The referee can stop the game** until this rule is observed by both teams.

2.4 Smoking & Alcohol

MCSA is a member of Good Sports. Smoking and alcohol on the playing field or inside the fenced area are prohibited. In addition, it must be noted that school venues are smoke and alcohol free. This is a condition of hire.

For sports fields at Darebin, Knox, and Tatterson Park, you must smoke outside the fenced areas.

For all other venues, we ask that you be considerate, move away from the congregated areas if you need to smoke.

2.5 Game Day Equipment

MCSA needs to provide game day equipment for some of the grounds. This requirement varies from ground to ground. All MCSA supplied nets and corner flags need to be set up by the 2 teams playing the first game at that venue. The 2 teams playing in the last game will need to collect the equipment for the Equipment Officer or return the equipment to the designated storeroom.

We thank you for your cooperation and support.

2.6 Council Venue Access & Floodlights

Disappointingly, we continue to experience difficulties with council venue access and the operation of floodlights. We are working with the councils to address all the outstanding issues.





3. Your Match Officials

Similar to the teams and other football associations, our team of match officials did not escape the COVID pandemic unscathed and have been depleted in numbers particularly for assistant referees. We continue to lookout for talented individuals to join our team.

If you can help, please contact the secretary (secretary@mcsafootball.org.au).

We thank you for your understanding and support.

4. Your Competition Managers

Your Competition Manager should always be your first point of contact. Your cooperation and support is appreciated.

- Premier League:** Christina (christina.d.sugiarto20@gmail.com) currently relieved by the secretary until further notice
- League 1:** Jackie (highjun2003@hotmail.com)
- League 2 Southeast:** Jackie (highjun2003@hotmail.com)
- League 2 Metro:** Darren (darrenchangtn@gmail.com) currently relieved by the secretary until further notice
- League A Saturday:** Tim (timo_hensin@hotmail.com)

5. Rules on Settling Outstanding Fines

All fines must be settled **prior to your next game**. Direct Payment (**quoting your Account Code**) can be made as follows:

- Account Name: **Melbourne Chinese Soccer Association**
- Bank: **Bendigo Bank**
- BSB: **633-000**
- Account No: **180 119 778**

Ultimately it is the team's responsibility to cover all the fines.

5.1 Non Payment of Fines

Please ensure that your team/player(s) has no outstanding fines going into your next game. You are reminded that:

1. Overdue fine(s) may result in game(s) not being scheduled for your team;
2. Any player with outstanding fine(s) is NOT eligible to play. Playing an ineligible player may result in your relevant game(s) being forfeited with your opposing team(s) awarded with 3 goals and 3 points. In addition, any individual goals and/or MVP points earned by your players in that game(s) will also be forfeited.

Ultimately it is the team's responsibility to cover all the fines.

6. Essential Documents

Essential documents including MCSA Policies and League Rules can be found by following this link:

<https://www.mcsafootball.org.au/about/documents/>

