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Description automatically generatedWORTHING MINORS**COVID-19 MATCHDAY GUIDELINES

* Players should arrive ready to play.
* All spectators should observe government social distancing guidelines, with opposing team spectators stood on opposite sides of the pitch with their manager, where possible.
* Pre-match handshake should not take place. Instead players will be asked to hand-sanitise before kick-off.
* Team talk huddles should not take place. Team talks can take place, as long as social distancing is observed.
* Warm-ups/cool-downs should always observe social distancing.
* On touchlines/dug-outs, Social-distancing must also be observed during interactions when a substitution is being made.
* Set plays – free kicks: referees and coaches should encourage players to get on with the game and not unnecessarily prolong set play set-up, such as defensive walls.
* Set plays – free kicks and corners should be taken promptly to limit prolonged close marking and goal posts should be wiped down before matches, at half time and after the match.
* Goal celebrations should be avoided.
* Interactions with referees and match assistants should only happen with players observing social distancing.
* Breaks, Half time & Full time. Hand hygiene should be carried out.
* No spitting.
* Coughing/Sneezing should be aimed away from others, preferably into elbow crease.
* When the ball goes out of play it should not be retrieved by non-participants and should be retrieved using the feet rather than the hands where possible.
* If a participant gets injured, a member of their household can assist if present and appropriate, but others (including match officials and teammates and coaches) will still need to socially distance unless a life- or limb-threatening injury necessitates compromising guidelines to provide emergency care.
* If a participant becomes Covid-19 symptomatic before or during the match, they should immediately remove themselves from the venue and return home as soon as possible.