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**AUSTRALIAN POKER LEAGUE (APL) COVID AWARE GUIDELINES – QLD**

Full House Group has prepared a set of guidelines to allow venues to re-open APL poker tournaments within their establishment.

The following tournament guidelines are mandatory operating practises that all APL representatives around the country have agreed to implement. APL tournaments operating under these conditions will be known as “COVID Aware” and are designed to enhance the safety of the poker playing environment for players, tournament directors and venue staff.

In QLD, poker events are covered under Indoor Events of under 500 people and require a Covid Safe Checklist to be completed and adhered to. The checklist can be found at:

[https://www.covid19.qld.gov.au/\\_data/assets/pdf\\_file/0014/132701/covid-safe-event-checklist.pdf](https://www.covid19.qld.gov.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0014/132701/covid-safe-event-checklist.pdf)

All APL events conducted in QLD must have a completed Covid Safe Checklist present at the event and are required to be operated in accordance with the provisions in checklist.

The below Covid Aware Guidelines are established national guidelines for all APL events in addition to any required checklists.

In addition to this we will also be hosting our events in accordance with the latest OLGR Update that came into effect on the 24<sup>th</sup> July. Our Licensees and staff have been made aware of these new restrictions.

<https://www.vision6.com.au/em/message/email/view.php?id=1498354&a=17544&k=RI4FQrvnh0gFwleaOpLxEQ66-eWRGpev6MUVmDElts0&fbclid=IwAR31qBC6ohIQJQnrSkqX3cwsqFubn-me1WGWrxWiltW3Xd5Tp0a2PpghiKo>

**“COVID Aware” Guidelines**

1. All tournament directors must undertake Covid Safe Training offered by the various Tafes or state governments
2. All tournaments will be conducted in venues following the approved square metre guidelines outlined in each state and jurisdiction.
3. An example of the 1 person per 4 sqm rule is shown below:

ROOM SIZE	# Patrons (Max)	# Poker Tables	Other
50m2	12	2	
100m2	25	4	1 reserve
150m2	37	6	1 reserve
200m2	50	9	5 tables of 6 and 4 tables of 5
300m2	75	13	10 tables of 6 and 3 tables of 5

\*Note: Higher limits only apply as government restrictions in various states allow.



4. An example of the 2sqm rule is shown below:

ROOM SIZE	# Patrons (Max)	# Poker Tables	Other
50m2	25	4	
100m2	50	9	5 tables of 6 and 4 tables of 5
150m2	75	13	10 tables of 6 and 4 tables of 5
200m2	100	16	16 tables of 6 and 4 reserves

- All tables must be cleaned with an anti-bacterial wipe on the outer rims prior to the commencement of the event
- All chips and cards are to be sprayed with an anti-bacterial solution before and after each event
- All tables will operate with a maximum of 6 players instead of the usual 8-10 players
- Tables to be located around the room with as much distance between them as the space allows for, always ensuring a minimum of 1.5m between tables
- Safe hygiene practices and expectations will be on display at the registration table (please see below example).



- All patrons must supply their mobile number and email address when registering for the event
- Ensure players are aware of social distancing requirements when queuing to register for the event
- All players will be asked at registration if they have experienced any cold like symptoms in the previous 7 days. If the player responds in the affirmative they will be asked to leave the venue
- If the player is displaying any visible signs of illness such as persistent coughing or runny nose they will be asked to leave the tournament and the venue. A refund will not be offered if the event has already commenced.
- Hand Sanitizer will be made available at registration and players asked to use it prior to participating in the tournament, during the break and once they exit the event
- Disposable gloves will be made available at registration for those who wish to wear them
- Players will be asked if they have downloaded the COVID Safe Government App at registration
- All TD's must remind players of their hygiene obligations before the event and before breaks which include frequent washing of hands
- Playing cards will be rotated out and cleaned after each tournament so a fresh, clean deck is available at the commencement of each event



19. All players and the tournament director will be required to sanitize their hands prior to the commencement of the final table
20. Face masks are acceptable and encouraged to be worn at events

By implementing these guidelines APL is endeavouring to create a safer way for players to enjoy a social game of poker at their local venue.

