



Current restrictions enacted in response to Covid-19 pandemic require persons to stay at home. The restrictions do however permit only those works deemed essential to maintain non-essential businesses activities. In order to ensure the safety of members and volunteers Clubs & Counties should take a practical approach with respect to continuation of pitch maintenance and property checks up to the 12th April. If works are not essential then they should not take place.

If maintenance or property checks are deemed essential the person will need a letter on club headed paper to show Gardaí (this can be provided via email to display on phone) and the person is supposed to carry a form of ID also. We would recommend the person where possible wears Club/County branded clothing if they have same.

Essential pitch maintenance can continue provided;

- ✓ The persons undertaking the works should as far as possible be the usual person designated to undertake such work at the club
- ✓ All persons undertaking works must be informed of the HSE advises re social distancing and they have to confirm they are not sick and not under any restrictions that would prevent them working as per advises from health officials. Posters / information advises should be in place at the property. These were included with previous communications and are available on <https://www.hse.ie/eng/services/news/newsfeatures/covid19-updates/partner-resources/>
- ✓ Social distancing and other advises from HSE must be adhered to
- ✓ Equipment should only be used by designated persons and will need additional cleaning after each use by the designated person
- ✓ PPE must not be shared and should be cleaned after each use

It is important that clubs are proactive in protecting their property at this time. It is every clubs responsibility to ensure the below, at a minimum, is enforced to prevent any loss or damage to their property.

1. Heating should be on in order to prevent pipes from freezing. If boilers can be set at 4 degrees Celsius, this would be ideal.
2. Remove all waste from around the clubhouse, changing rooms etc.
3. Ensure all alarms are fully operational especially smoke & fire alarms
4. If CCTV is remotely accessible it can it be reviewed periodically?
5. Water systems may require flushing to prevent legionella
6. If feasible with the current guidelines, regular checks to be carried out in the clubhouse and surrounding area to ensure no damage/leaks etc.

If the persons who regularly does this work are unavailable to work and other persons need to undertake activities, units are legally responsible for ensuring such persons are competent to undertake the tasks and are provided with a safe system of work*.

*Should you have any queries in relation to the above, please do not hesitate to contact Croke Park or Marsh Ireland on the following e-mail – generalgaaqueries@marsh.com