



Junior State Cup FAQ's

Can both parents attend as spectators, plus siblings?

No. Each player is entitled to TWO spectators only – whether that is Mum and Dad, Mum and sibling or Dad and sibling, etc.

Children are classified as a number in our gathering capacity; therefore they must be listed as one of the two spectators on the Spectator Covid-19 Tracing form.

Are the wristbands interchangeable for the two days? For example, a Mother and one sibling attend as spectators on Day 1, and the Father and another sibling attend on Day 2?

Yes, they are interchangeable. HOWEVER, there is a process to ensure our Spectator Tracing stays up to date and reliable:

1. Remove wristband and give to new spectator/s.
2. The new spectator/s go to their allocated zone and attend the staff tent.
3. Tell the staff member you are changing spectator/s for team ... and player ...
4. Hand in the used wristband, receive your new one and attach it to your wrist.
5. Staff member will update the Spectator form.

What happens if I cannot wear the wristband because I am allergic to them?

The wristband must be attached to your person. If you are allergic please have a medical certificate. If allergic with a certificate the band will have to be attached to clothing where it cannot be transferrable to someone else. A jacket is unacceptable as it can be transferred to someone else. You need the wrist band for both days so please consider this when you attach

If I have two kids playing, can I cross zones to watch both?

Yes, providing you are listed on both team's Spectator forms and have two wristbands specific to your kids' divisions.

I have two kids playing in different zones at different times. Can I take the sibling I just watched to watch his brother in another zone?

No, they must remain with their team in their allocated zone, unless you have nominated the sibling as a spectator for the other sibling.

If they are down as a spectator for their sibling, they will have limited time to go between zones with the game on-game off format - they will risk missing their warm-up or the start of their game.

Can I swap my wrist band with my husband after each game? E.g. I watch game 1 then swap with my husband for game 2 then swap back for game 3.

No. It would cause more trouble for staff with you leaving the zone then your husband coming into the zone and getting a new wrist band, then doing it all again. Administratively a nightmare & AO don't have the staff to accommodate.

Do Coaching staff require wristbands?

No. Coaching staff are accounted for in our numbers as part of the team. They will not be required to wear a wristband as they will have official team clothing on (association polo).

If a parent is part of the coaching staff, they DO NOT have to be named on the Spectator Tracing form – this opens spare spots for other parents/siblings.

If my child has only 1 spectator, can I allocate another family's child as my other spectator?

Yes, that is definitely an option. All teams are provided with 32 wristbands (2 spectators per player), so it is up to the team to allocate spare spots to siblings etc.

If only 14 players are registered to play will the team still be able to collect 32 wristbands or only 28?

Teams will receive a total of 32 wristbands regardless of how many players they have registered. Each player is entitled to two spectator wristbands, however if there are left overs, it is up to the team to divvy them out appropriately.

Is there going to be a Merchandise tent in all zones?

No, there will be one Merchandise tent located in its usual spot in the stadium – Zone 1. It will be fenced off as an Independent Area, allowing players and parents from ALL zones to access it on ANY given day. This means, if you are allocated to Zone 3 or 4, you can still access the Merch tent in Zone 1.

If my child doesn't play until Saturday, am I allowed to attend Thursday just to purchase Merch?

Yes. The OES Merch tent will be fenced off as an Independent Area. This means, if a team doesn't play until Saturday, they may still access the OES Merch tent on Thursday or Friday if they wish. Attendees will enter and exit through one gate, independent to the Playing Zones.

Alternatively, there is NSW State Cup Pre-sale merch available to order online at <https://www.oztageequipmentsupplies.com/>

How does the Merchandise tent comply with the Covid regulations?

OES Merch is located in Zone 1, yet is fenced off as an Independent area. There will be a QR code located at the entrance to trace all attendees. Staff will be stationed throughout the tent, monitoring and controlling the number of patrons inside to ensure we abide by the 1 person per two square metre rule. There will also be social distancing enforced both inside and outside while lining up - just like any shop. We are also encouraging attendees to Pre-order online to minimise shoppers at the tournament.

If I have a child playing in Zone 1 in the AM session, and their sibling is playing in the SAME zone in the PM session can both players therefore stay in that zone with their 2 parents as they are not crossing zones?

No that cannot happen. It is not so much about crossing zones, but rather the numbers in that particular zone. Allowing the player from the AM session to stay for the PM session takes your number of supporters from two to three which goes against our strict two spectator policy.

For the players to attend both sessions, they must be listed as a spectator for their sibling.

How do the wristbands work if teams are playing in multiple zones over the tournament? I have two boys playing in different zones.

The bands are colour coded by divisions, so if you are down as a spectator for both of your boys, you will receive TWO different coloured wristbands.

How will this all be policed?

Ground officials and staff members in each zone will be continually checking spectators and wrist bands. You may be asked to show your band several times during the session. Anyone without a wrist band will be asked to leave immediately. If they refuse the game will be stopped.

Can I stand out on the footpath & watch?

Anyone standing outside the venue is not in AO's jurisdiction. However, if a crowd of people were to form & not social distance it may become a police matter. Car parks are part of the venue, you can't watch from there.

Is the Juniors comp at Bass Hill still going ahead given it's within an LGA that has been declared a hot spot? Teams from ACT will be required to quarantine for 14 days when we return home which isn't an option for a lot of families.

According to the NSW Gov, Bass Hill is not considered a Hot Spot, rather a Covid-19 case location - meaning individuals who attended specific locations at certain times were advised to get tested and self-isolate until they received a negative result. Therefore, the Junior tournament held at Bass Hill will be going ahead in compliance with the NSW Public Health notice and AO's Covid-Safety plan. If ACT Gov list the Canterbury-Bankstown LGA as an area of concern, it will be up to the association and parents as to whether teams attend the tournament

Are we allowed two or three team officials on the sideline?

Each team is allowed three team officials on the sideline. They must be in uniform (team polo), wearing shoes and listed as coaching staff on the team registration form.

Will the tournament be live streamed?

Yes. The Junior State Cup held in Coffs Harbour will be live streamed on Finals Days – Friday (Feb 12th) and Sunday (Feb 14th).

What happens if a player has to withdraw from the tournament (due to illness or injury, etc.) after the registration form has been submitted?

If for any reason a player has to withdraw, it is the team's responsibility to either replace them (i.e., with a shadow), or alternatively play the tournament with one less player.

- If the player is replaced, the manager MUST bring an UPDATED version of their Registration form and Spectator Tracing form on Day 1 of the tournament when collecting their wristbands. The withdrawn player must be removed and replaced with the details of the new player.
- If the player is not replaced, the manager MUST advise our staff of the withdrawn player and their spectator/s. They will then be removed from both forms.
- If the team wish to use the spare spots for other parents/siblings, the manager must bring an updated spectator form to indicate so.

FINALS

If your child's team makes the Grand Final can 2 parents and sibling/s attend?

A separate Covid Plan will be in place for Friday and Sunday Finals in the stadium. Our intention is to let families in to watch, however, we will be governed by the numbers.

The finals have been programmed to allow more people affiliated with the teams in to watch (1 or 2 games only in a time slot).

When our final is finished, can we hang around in the stadium?

After your presentation and photos, we ask you vacate the stadium. However, if a team from your association is about to play and our numbers are O.K. you may be allowed to stay. Announcements will be continually made re spectators staying or being asked to vacate the stadium.