FAQs on Covid-19 protocols for domestic season 2020-21

Q: When are the PCR Covid-19 tests?

A: The First XI squad members and the Second XI squad members are responsible to conduct first tests themselves and submit the results of their tests by 16 and 18 September, respectively.

Second Covid-19 tests at central stations:

First XI squad members: 18 September Second XI squad members: 21 September

Match officials:

First Covid-19 test: 24 September Second Covid-19 test: 27 September

U19 cricketers:

First Covid-19 test: 1 October Second Covid-19 test: 5 October

Q: What happens after the first test returns negative?

A: Players and support staff personnel who test negative in the first Covid-19 test will be invited to central stations where they will be undergo second tests.

Those who return negative results in their second Covid-19 tests will be admitted into bio-secure zones.

Q: What consist bio-secure zones and who will be in it? A: Following are the bio-secure zones:

- PCB hired Bus/Car.
- Block of rooms in the hotel.
- Dinning/Game/Recreational rooms
- Dressing room
- Playing area/Ground
- Match Officials room
- Designated lunch/tea area in ground

The following will be in bio-secure zones:

- Players
- Support staff
- Match officials
- Duty Doctors
- Security Managers
- Team busses drivers

Q: Who will bear the costs of the Covid-19 tests?

A: The PCB will bear costs of all the Covid-19 tests, done over the course of the season. The First XI and Second XI squad members, who conducted their first tests themselves will be reimbursed.

Q: What happens if an individual tests positive after reaching central station?

A: The individual who tests positive after arriving at a central station will be kept in isolation for five days and undergo two Covid-19 tests. He/She will be required to return two negative results before integration into bio-secure zones.

Q: What is the Covid-19 testing procedure for match officials and how will they be admitted to bio-secure zones?

A: The match officials will undergo the first test on 22 September at their residence themselves. Those returning negative results will arrive at central stations. Those who return negative results here will be admitted to bio-secure zones.

Q: What happens if someone breaches bio-secure zone?

A: Anyone found guilty of breaching the bio-secure zones will be put into isolation for five days, during which he/she will be tested twice and would have to return two negative results to be readmitted in the zone.

Q: What happens if an individual tests positive after breaching bio-secure zone?

A: He/She will be sent to a PCB designated central station where they will be put in isolation for five days and will be required to return two negative Covid-19 tests.

Q: Who is responsible to ensure the rules of the bio-secure zones are followed?

A: That those in the bio-secure zones adhere to the protocols will be the responsibility of the Covid-19 protocols implementation team, which comprise team managers, team physiotherapists and duty doctors and liaison officers. The team is headed by Covid-19 Medical Officer, Dr Riaz Ahmed.