









Victorian Premier Daniel Andrews says he hopes to allow crowds to watch the Boxing Day Test and the Australian Open tennis

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Attending cricket this summer could mean keeping cheering to a minimum to "avoid transmission" of the coronavirus.

A limited number of tickets released for the first international cricket to be staged in Australia since March when the World Champion women's team takes on New Zealand in six white-ball games later this month.

Tickets for the three T20s sold out quickly with all matches to be played at Allan Border Field in Brisbane. Those attending will have to abide by strict guidelines on everything including how they can show their support.



Capacity at the venue will be capped at 50% under Queensland Government COVID-19 regulations, while there are various other protocols and restrictions in place.

Queensland recorded zero new cases of COVID-19 on Monday.

But one of the specific recommendations Cricket Australia has given to fans it to reduce shouting and cheering to cut the risk of droplet spread.

"Try to keep shouting, singing, cheering or celebrating to a minimum to avoid transmission," the guidelines state.

All tickets will have to be bought online, then fans will swipe in using a mobile device with details stored in case contact tracing is required.

Cash is also banned at the venue for food and drinks, with the venue, like many in England, allowing contactless payment only.





The ground will be split into six zones with people not allowed to move outside of their designated area.

All the COVID-19 measures which have become common over the last six months will be in place including no interaction with the players during the matches for selfies or autographs.

Members of Australia's squad from New South Wales, Victoria, and the ACT, along with the full New Zealand party, are currently in two weeks quarantine in Brisbane.

They have been allowed to train for three hours a day at Allan Border Field during this time with the rest of the Australia squad arriving next Monday.

While crowds have been allowed back in to various sports in Australia in recent months, this will be the first cricket crowd.

The potential for people to attend could determine whether the MCG can host the Boxing Day Test against India.

A final decision is not expected on that until November as Victoria works through easing its restrictions.









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