BFA Roadmap for the Return of Competitive Flyball



The British Flyball Association is committed to the safety and welfare of our members and their dogs, and we will carefully manage the return of competitive flyball with safety as our top priority. The BFA Roadmap should be read in conjunction with the BFA Covid Action Plan, BFA Covid Training Guidance and Risk Assessment template. We will continue to be led by UK Government's advice and will update our guidance depending on how the national COVID-19 situation and vaccine rollout develops.

Please note these dates are rough guides as specific dates and restrictions vary in England and Devolved Administrations (please refer to www.gov.uk/coronavirus for specific dates in your area). The BFA will sanction shows as soon as local restrictions allow.

STEP 1 (part 1)

National Lockdown Now to April

Training at home.
Chute work, targeted training.
Fitness and conditioning work – prepare your dogs for a return to flyball training.

STEP 1 (part 2)

Easing of Lockdown Restrictions April

Training in small groups outdoors (specific rules (numbers) vary by country), and in accordance with government and BFA Return to Flyball guidance/Action Plan and on completion of training COVID Risk

STEP 2

No change for Flyball before mid-May

Training within small groups outdoors continues (specific rules (numbers) vary by country).
Opportunity for more fitness and conditioning, full runs in training & training in pairs.
Hands/Face/Space still applies.
Outdoors only.

STEP 3

Adapted Flyball Mid-May to end June

Larger group training

outdoors (30-person limit in Eng). Team training outdoors; small group training indoors (specific rules vary by country).

Possible commencement of larger-scale adapted flyball activities outdoors such as team training, incorporating social distancing and hygiene measures in accordance with local regulations in place at the time.



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STEP 4

Minimal restrictions on Flyball from end of June

Return to more traditional format of flyball comps.
Sanctioning of open and multibreed competitions both indoor and outdoor.

Progression to Stage 4 can only happen with the removal of all legal social distancing measures by the UK governments and will be data dependant.

The BFA will not sanction open tournaments prior to 21 June at the earliest.