



New Groundsperson-Checklist

Health and Safety- Checklist

- Your own safety is paramount, are there any hazards and risks for you. Do you need help in gauging this. Do you need help accessing and starting of machinery,
- Make a list of machinery faults and safety concerns and present these to the club.
- Where the nearer first aid kit

Facilities -Check list

- What fuel types are the machinery, E5 or E10 or diesel.
- Make a note of all machine serial numbers, machine make and model and look into the last date they were serviced by whom, the treasurer should know.
- If competent and confident, start-up of machines ensuring they are in safe, working order.
- where are the keys to the machines.
- Take an inventory of grass seed, fertiliser and chemicals and speak to a supplier in such things who should be FACTS and BASIS certificated to advise on what you can and cannot use safely, as many products may require you to have a licence to use.
- Did the last Groundsperson/Greenkeeper keep any records, seek them out or don't be scared to get in contact with them.
- Do you have the basic tools and equipment to do the job, there are funding options for machinery and projects available.
- Become familiar with the ground, on the lowest part of the ground is there an outlet from a possible drainage system outlet as one example.
- Where is the nearest water point to the main pitch and is it working?
- Do you have a budget, what are your fixtures, is additional labour available from the club on request.

Connecting

- Who is your local or regional pitch advisor, get in touch if needed and they will help you assess the state of the pitch and where you go from there. Also see if your county fa/foundation have their own pitch support network.
- Connect up locally to other groundspersons/greenkeepers in your area who will be a font of knowledge
- Join The Cricket Groundsperson or Groundsperson UK, groups on facebook, which are a font of knowledge shared by thousands of other groundsperson across the UK.

Training

- What are your training needs, are you competent in the setting up and use of fine turf machinery, do you know where to start. Do you know what moss is, do you know where to do basic online or face to face training locally, your pitch advisor will or the bloke/lady down the road will.

Scan the QR code and to access more information and each of the above suggestion, with links to resources including planners, How to Guides and signposting to pitch advisors and more!

There a whole community willing and able to help you, use it!

