

Cricket Ireland Suspends Elite Men's Training After Player Tested Covid Positive

DUBLIN: Ireland cricket has temporarily suspended elite men's training after a player tested positive for COVID-19.



Delhi, New Delhi, Apr 21, 2021 ([Issuewire.com](https://www.issuewire.com)) - Richard Holdsworth, High-Performance Director for Cricket Ireland said, "As soon as we were notified of the test result, we called an immediate halt to elite men's training across Ireland. The player in question will be re-tested to ensure this is not a false positive."

"We want to ensure the risk of COVID-19 is minimized in line with our return-to-training protocols, and have always said that the health and safety of our players and coaches must come first," he further added.

The unnamed player was in close contact with other cricketers and was using training facilities, according to Cricket Ireland.

"While the player was only using one of our four training hubs, he had been in close contact with players

using other training hubs -- so out of an abundance of caution we have stopped training for a few days across all hubs while tests are undertaken," said Holdsworth.

"We have a busy period of [cricket](#) in May, and World Cup Super League matches set for early June, so it's vital that we provide our senior players with as much time outdoors training as we can. However, this will not come at the risk to their health and safety, and that of their families or close contacts," he concluded

Cricket Ireland's next international matches are scheduled for June with three ODIs in the Netherlands before South Africa with three ODIs and three T20Is scheduled in July.

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