

WEYMOUTH FOOTBALL CLUB

MATCHDAY BAG POLICY



DOCUMENT CONTROL

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INTRODUCTION

All spectators are prohibited from bringing any bag into the stadium unless it adheres to the Weymouth Football Club regulations as outlined below. Entry with any non-compliant bag will be refused.

Bags will be checked at the turnstiles. All items and bags carried by spectators and staff will be carefully inspected upon entry to the stadium, which may include a personal wandering or pat down.

If for any reason (medical) you require a bag that does not adhere to this policy, please contact us prior to match day at (office@weymouthfootballclub.co.uk). Stewards will be informed of your reason, your bag may well be searched prior to entry to the Bob Luca Stadium. and may be subject to an x-ray scan before entering the venue.

- Bag to be no larger than A4
- Height 297mm (11.7 inches)
- Width 210mm (8.27 inches)
- Depth 210mm (8.27 inches)

BAG POLICY – FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Why did Weymouth FC adopt this policy?

Weymouth FC review public safety and stadium security policies every year looking for ways to improve them. It is strongly believed that it made sense to adjust the policy to enhance public safety and make stadium access more efficient by limiting the size and style of bags carried into the stadium. This proactive measure will both enhance safety inside and outside the stadium and speed the security screening process for all Bob Lucas Stadium visitors. This is about both safety and improving the overall fan experience.

How does this make it more convenient for fans?

This will enable us to move fans through our security check points much faster, allowing staff to be more efficient and effective in checking the smaller bags that are brought into the stadium. Therefore, there will be less time spent standing in lines at the turnstiles and fans will be able to enter the ground in a timely fashion. Spectators also will enjoy an improved sense of safety.

How many bags can each person bring into the stadium?

One small bag per person that does not exceed A4 size (210mm x 210mm x 297mm) per person.

What happens if I show up at the gate with a bag that is not permitted?

Spectators carrying bags that do not meet the criteria WILL NOT BE PERMITTED ENTRY. If for any reason (medical or other) you require a bag that does not adhere to the Weymouth FC bag policy, entry will be permitted subject to contacting us **prior** to match day at office@weymouthfootballclub.co.uk. Your details will be passed onto the Head of Security for that particular match you wish to attend.

Can fans carry cameras, smart phones or tablets separately from what they put in a clear bag?

Yes. A phone or camera can be carried into the stadium so long as it is not in its own bag. This is not a restriction on items that fans have been able to bring into the stadium. It is only a restriction on the type of container used to carry items.

Are all handbags prohibited?

No. Unlike some event venues, we are not banning all bags. Bags smaller than A4, with or without a handle or strap, are permitted. This should enable you to carry the same items you have in previous years and speed entry into the stadium for all fans because it will take less time to screen bags. Shorter lines mean fewer hassles. We encourage fans not to bring any bags, but have created a policy that balances fan needs with improved public safety and convenience.

DOCUMENT REVISION HISTORY (VERSION CONTROL LOG)

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