



WYS Gameday Protocols and Safety Plan Fall 2021

As of 8/29/2021, the WA State Governor's Office and Department of Health are NOT requiring players, coaches, or spectators to wear masks at training or games, although they may choose to wear one. Physical distancing among spectators is strongly encouraged. WA Youth Soccer will continue to follow the guidance of these two offices with regards to the health and safety of players. Should any new guidelines come out that effect players, coaches, or spectators at training or games, this document will be updated and redistributed.

IN CASE OF A POSITIVE COVID-19 DIAGNOSIS:

When an athlete is diagnosed with COVID-19:

- Have the player stay home and isolate for 10 days.
- If the infected player was in contact with their team within 48 hours of diagnosis (date of positive test or date of symptom onset) – whichever was earlier), notify the parents/guardians that “someone” on the team has tested positive for the virus (do not reveal name of infected individual). Outdoor soccer activities are considered low risk exposures and do not require quarantine unless >15 minutes of contact with the infected individual within 6 feet over 24 hours, or other special circumstances (ie, carpool, social or indoor exposure). Each player may choose to be tested for COVID-19 (especially non-vaccinated players).
- If the infected player played in a game with their team within 48 hours of diagnosis, Club COVID Contact must notify the opposing team immediately with suggestions as above.
- Infected player cannot return to practice or games until they have written medical clearance from their physician.
- Disinfectant all equipment.

When a coach has come in contact with or is infected with COVID-19:

- Get tested and stay home.
- Contact your club immediately.
- Inform the team – if you have maintained social distance from all your players, players do not necessarily need to get tested but it can be considered, as stated above.
- Disinfect all equipment.

COACH RESPONSIBILITIES:

- **No coach that is sick or has signs or symptoms suggestive of COVID-19 should attend.**
- Maintain physical distance (>6 feet) as much as possible.
- Make sure that your team has left the field within 5 minutes of the game ending.
- Clustering of players should be avoided. There should be no gathering and socializing before or after the game by players. Coaches should not assemble their teams closely together for instruction: players should be spaced at least 6 feet apart for team meetings or instruction.
- No handshakes or fist bumps during or after the game.



PLAYER RESPONSIBILITIES:

- **No player that is sick or has signs or symptoms suggestive of COVID-19 should attend.**
- Wait until prior game's teams have vacated the bench area before entering the space.
- Soccer bags should be placed at least 6 feet apart from one another where possible.
- Use hand sanitizer before and after the game.
- Clustering of players should be avoided.
- No handshakes or fist bumps during or after the game.

PARENT/GUARDIAN RESPONSIBILITIES:

- **No parent/guardian/caregiver or player that is sick or has signs or symptoms suggestive of COVID-19 should attend.**
- Spectators should remain socially distanced as much as possible.
- Do not loiter around field. Avoid gathering of people.

GUEST PLAYERS:

- Guest players may be used in the event of injuries/ sickness to provide enough players to field a team up to (11) players for 9v9, (9) players for 7v7 matches and (7) players for 5v5.
- Teams may only use up to 3 Guest players for any game.
- All guest players must be monitored and recorded to WCYSA for contact tracing purposes.