

Amherst Parks and Recreation Department Sport Operation Procedures

Screenings

• All athletes, coaches, and volunteers will be given a health screening at the beginning of each session

Face coverings

- Should fit snugly over the mouth and nose
- Are to be worn by athletes, coaches, and volunteers when not actively engaged in athletics and when social distancing cannot be maintained
- Are to be worn by spectators, including parents/guardians when social distancing cannot be maintained
- Athletes must wear face coverings while on the sidelines/in dugout even when social distancing can be maintained

Equipment

- Athletes should bring their own equipment including, but not limited to gloves, helmets, bats, water bottles, etc
- Athletes, coaches, and volunteers should carry hand sanitizer to all sessions
- Equipment bags should be placed 6 feet apart

Disinfecting

- Adequate water and sanitation breaks should be implemented in each training session
- Shared equipment must be disinfected after every use between athletes and at the completion of each session
- All trash shall be removed from the facility following each session

Social Distancing

- Centralized areas for congregating (such as benches, dugouts) should be extended to surrounding areas to allow for social distancing
- Spectators should remain at least 6 feet from anyone from another household

Parental/Family Responsibilities

- Be diligent with monitoring signs and symptoms at home. Report accurately to coaches and the Rec Department
- Lead by example by wearing a properly fitted face covering and keeping socially distant while spectating
- Provide athlete with hand sanitizer to use at practices and games

Other

- All mouth-based activities are not allowed. This includes but is not limited to spitting, chewing gum, licking fingers, spitting sunflower seeds
- Hand-shakes and high fives will not be permitted and can be replaced with elbow-bumps, cheers for opposing teams, or other non-contact acknowledgement

Confirmed Case

If athlete, coach, or volunteer is in contact with a confirmed case of COVID-19:

- 1. The individual should not attend or participate in any activities until one of the following
 - a. A negative PCR test result for COVID-19
 - b. Symptom free for 10 days from the time of exposure without the use of symptom-reducing medication
 - c. The individual is fully vaccinated and it has been more than 14 days since the final dose was administered

If athlete, coach, or volunteer has a confirmed case of COVID-19:

- 1. The individual must immediately contact the coach and the Recreation Department at 603-673-6248
- 2. The team will pause all practices, games, and activity sessions for 10 days
 - a. Anyone possibly in contact with the individual will receive an email from the Recreation Department
- 3. Group equipment will be fully disinfected by the Recreation Department
- 4. Individuals should not attend or return to participation in any activities until one of the following:
 - a. A negative test result for COVID-19
 - b. 10 days have passed since symptoms have completely subsided