

Smithfield Youth Soccer Association Covid-19 Plan for the Month of **November 2020**
The SYSA approved Covid-19 Plan as submitted and approved **with revisions due to Executive Order 20-90** is detailed below.

All teams must agree and abide by the submitted plan below to prevent any loss of use. Any questions should be directed to the Board and Matthew Aubee - Field Coordinator

Outdoor settings – There is a limit of 250 people attending Deerfield park events hosted by SYSA. See below for spectators.

~~*Stable Groups – The groups will follow the current State recommendations of Stable groups – 15 people or less including the coach and the groups would also not join other groups or mix with other groups. There would be no games or scrimmages during this time. Players must commit to this group only (No other sports teams)*~~

*Physical Distancing - Parents will be directed to observe in their cars or **elsewhere on the public space away from the playing fields.** (go for a walk). **Only parents of players aged 10 and younger may attend and there is a limit of 1 parent per child. These parents must remain 14' from the playing fields, spaced 6' from other parents and wear a mask.** Players will keep their bags separated along the sidelines by at least 6' with their water bottles individually labeled at their bags. As you know, unlike many sports such as baseball and basketball, soccer is played with the foot minimizing risk and transmission to the face. No Throw-ins will be practiced. Separation of 6 feet will be encouraged (though not required) and can be maintained on the open air fields easily. We will maintain at least 20 ft. between other stable groups.*

Quarantine – Any players that are exposed to someone that is sick, has tested positive for Covid-19 or travels out of state, shall quarantine for 14 days

Screening - Prior to gathering and beginning practice, the coach shall verbally screen all participants with the Covid-19 Screening checklist (attached).

Hand Cleaning – We will provide appropriate hand sanitizer and instruct the participants to proper methods before, during, and following their activities. We will disinfect all gear (balls and cones) before and following each practice.

Facilities – All gatherings will occur on open air fields.

Shared Objects – Shared objects shall be limited to soccer balls and contact with hands and face will be avoided. As stated above, no use of the hands. An exception to this shall be goal keepers. Any participant acting as a keeper shall use gloves and those gloves will be sanitized before, at breaks and following activities.

Practice vs Team Play – Practice sessions will focus on drills, conditioning, and formations rather than close contact team play.

*Face Coverings – As required by the states ReOpening plan for phase II **and III**, coaches will wear face coverings/masks before, during, and following activities.*

*Plan and Communication – SYSA will forward our plan, the Reopening RI Phase **III** document and the Covid 19 screening checklist requesting families follow safe practices at home and insure any player or player of a family member exhibiting any of the symptoms described in the checklist remain home. Any player who remains home shall notify their Stable Group of their health concerns and share information of any Covid – 19 diagnosis.*

Thanks,
Matthew Aubee
SYSA-Field Coordinator