

STAFFORD RECREATION COMMISSION

SPECIAL MEETING, AGENDA

Thursday July 16, 2020 at 6:30 PM

~~Conference Meeting Room, WARREN MEMORIAL TOWN HALL~~

Zoom Video Conference Meeting

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Members: Chairman Dave Bachiochi, Secretary Becky Murphy, Barron Utter, Harold Blake Hatch, Tom Topping, Todd Levesque, Kevin Roy, Richard Deary, Bill Utermarck

Recreation Director: Damian Frassinelli

Youth Sports Reps: Jim Tantillo, JJ Martorelli, Tracy Bartholomew, Adam Murray

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Time: 6:30 P.M.

Place: ~~Conference Meeting Room, Warren Memorial Town Hall~~

Virtual Place: Zoom Video conference

Join Zoom Meeting

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Meeting ID: 818 928 4402

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- 1.) Establish a Quorum (5 of 9) & identify all attendees
 - a. Remote meeting requirements
- 2.) Review and Accept Minutes from previous meeting
- 3.) Correspondence: letters & email; visitors
 - a. Review Budget feedback for 2020-2021 fiscal year
- 4.) Old Business
 - a. None
- 5.) New Business
 - a. Youth Sports Return To Play
 - b. Update from Recreation Director (Damian)
- 6.) Set Agenda for next Meeting
 - a. _____
- 7.) Adjourn:

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Schedule of Regular Meetings for CY 2020 (1st Thursday except July and August)

Jan 2, Feb 6, Mar 5, Apr 2, May 7, Jun 4, Sep 3, Oct 1, Nov 5, Dec 3

Sports Return To Play template for Stafford, CT

July 9, 2020

The following has been adapted from the "CJSA Return to Play Covid19 - Club Self Certification" guidelines and follows CDC recommendations. It is intended to be used by all youth and adult sports to consistently implement safety measures to minimize the risk of virus spread while an organization operates within the COVID-19 pandemic landscape

It is strongly recommended that an organization adopt a phased approach and associated requirements to help protect players, families, and coaches from increased risk of contracting COVID-19. All phases require strict adherence to safety protocols. Activities which are not permitted in a phase, are not sanctioned, which risks insurance liability coverage by any insurance provider.

These protocols are likely to change as CDC and government requirements evolve. Also, each organization must operate with state and local government requirements. It is important to check with local authorities and obtain any permits or other authorizations before beginning activities. Organizations should be prepared to revert to an earlier phase if health conditions warrant.

As we begin a return to play, it is important that you prepare to implement the following, minimum, return to play requirements for Phase 1. Further information on best practices is provided in the resources linked below.

Template

Below you will find the minimum requirements that an organization must certify to implement and strictly adhere to.

No Participation if Experiencing COVID-19 Symptoms

- Any coach, player, parent, referee or spectator who is sick, has a persistent cough, is running a temperature or is displaying any symptoms suggesting that the individual may be ill, (from any contagious malady, including cold, flu, or suspected coronavirus) will be prohibited from attending training or games.
- Coaches and players (assisted by parents/guardians) must self-assess their condition and attest when arriving at the location that they are not experiencing these symptoms. A self-assessment tool is attached which you can provide for players and coaches to assess their symptoms. <https://www.mayoclinic.org/covid-19-self-assessment-tool>
- Any adult attendee who displays any of these symptoms will be required to leave. A minor who is displaying any of these symptoms should be safely isolated until an adult responsible for the minor can remove the minor.

COVID-19 Director

- All organizations must have a COVID-19 Director. The COVID-19 Director is responsible for identifying and implementing the practices required to comply with state and local

return to play activities requirements and is the point of contact with local authorities and your organization's state or national governing body..

Obtain Waiver

- A signed COVID-19 Waiver must be provided by a player before engaging in any return to play activities. Example provided below.

Minimize physical touching between players and coaches

- Coaches shall ensure and all players and coaches avoid "high fives," handshakes, or other types of physical touching. We understand that this may be difficult as players enjoy celebrating with their teammates, but we need to be diligent at enforcing this protocol for the health and safety of our players and their families.
- Coaches, players, and spectators to wear masks during training sessions
- Coaches are required to wear appropriate face coverings during training sessions. Players must wear masks when in the playing environment and not playing. Players will also be allowed to wear masks while training, but this will be a personal choice of the player's parent or guardian. Any other individuals attending the training session are required to wear appropriate face coverings and follow all social distancing guidelines.

Hand Sanitizing

- Make hand sanitizer, disinfecting wipes, soap, and water, or similar disinfectant readily available during practice. Players should bring hand sanitizer for personal use.

Equipment

- Do not share equipment. Players should have their own alternate color training top or pinnie. Players should have their own water bottle, towel, duffle bag or backpack and hand sanitizer. Players should have individual playing equipment (bat, glove, helmet, soccer ball, lacrosse stick, etc) where practical.
- Reduce players touching practice equipment, the handling of all training items, such as cones, flags, goals, etc. should be limited to coaches.
- Sanitize all equipment after each session, including benches and bleachers.

Increased signage throughout facilities

- Organizations should post reminder signage throughout facilities wherever possible to remind all players, coaches, and spectators to maintain social distancing.

Social Distancing Oversight

- During Phase 1, social distancing (minimum 6 feet) must be maintained by coaches, players, and spectators at all times.
- Organizations should assign people to be physically present to monitor fields and facilities to politely but firmly ask any groups of parents or players to disperse and maintain appropriate distancing and that failure to do so risks the sanctioning and protection (including insurance) for the players and the organization.

Communication Requirement

- Make the Return to Play Activities COVID-19 Guidelines available to all your members. This can be accomplished by, Emailing, Prominently posting on Website, pointing to the most recent version on the organization's Website.
- If a team member or coach contracts COVID-19, all training sessions will be canceled for that team and any additional team associated with that coach for 14 days.

- If a player or coach is sent home with symptoms, they can return when they have no fever and symptoms have improved, or they receive two negative test results in a row, at least 24 hours apart (CDC Guidelines).

Other Communication

- It is recommended to create stakeholder specific instruction sheets to make it easy for each stakeholder to follow (parents, players, coaches, administration).
- Liberal use of signage for social distancing, mask wearing, hygiene behavior should be posted at key points throughout the playing venue.

When you don't feel well

1. Feel sick, stay home. Check for fever, dry cough, other Covid-19 symptoms (<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/symptoms-testing/symptoms.html>) regularly and just prior to practice or game. If symptomatic, contact your healthcare provider.
2. Anyone presumed positive (but without testing) for Covid-19 must be free of fever without medication for 3 days, have symptoms resolving and be at least 10 days out from symptom onset to return.
3. Anyone diagnosed with Covid-19 with a positive test must test negative twice, with the 2 tests at least 24 hours apart to return.
4. Should a healthcare provider rule out Covid-19, a doctor's note will be required to return, if within a shorter time period than outlined above.
5. Anyone who has had a known exposure to a Covid-19 case will quarantine for 14 days before return.

<Insert Sport Specific and/or Venue Specific Guidelines here>

Sample Waiver language

COMMUNICABLE DISEASE

RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND ASSUMPTION OF RISK AGREEMENT

In consideration of being allowed to participate in any way in any program, event, or activity sponsored or authorized by Connecticut Junior Soccer Association, Inc. and/or any affiliated member, I the undersigned, acknowledge, appreciate, and agree that:

I am aware there are risks to me of exposure to, directly or indirectly, arising out of, contributed to, by, or resulting from an outbreak of any and all communicable diseases, including but not limited to, the virus "severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2 (SARS-CoV-2)", which is responsible for Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19) and/or any mutation or variation thereof.

I, for myself and on behalf of my heirs, assigns, personal representatives and next of kin, HEREBY RELEASE, INDEMNIFY, AND HOLD HARMLESS THE CONNECTICUT JUNIOR SOCCER ASSOCIATION, INC. AND ITS AFFILIATED MEMBERS, and their respective officers, officials, agents and/or employees, other participants, sponsors, advertisers, and, if applicable, owners and lessors of premises used to conduct any program, event, or activity (RELEASEES), from any and all claims, demands, losses, and liability arising out of or related to

any ILLNESS, INJURY, DISABILITY OR DEATH I may suffer, WHETHER ARISING FROM THE NEGLIGENCE OF THE RELEASEES OR OTHERWISE, to the fullest extent permitted by law. I HAVE READ THIS RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND ASSUMPTION OF RISK AGREEMENT, FULLY UNDERSTAND ITS TERMS, UNDERSTAND THAT I HAVE GIVEN UP SUBSTANTIAL RIGHTS BY SIGNING IT, AND SIGN IT FREELY AND VOLUNTARILY WITHOUT ANY INDUCEMENT.

X _____ Participant's
Signature (if over 18) Age Date Participant's Name: _____

FOR PARENTS/GUARDIANS OF PARTICIPANT OF MINOR AGE (UNDER AGE 18 AT TIME OF REGISTRATION)

This is to certify that I, as parent/guardian with legal responsibility for this participant, do consent and agree to his/her release as provided above of all the Releases, and, for said participant and for myself, my heirs, assigns, and next of kin, I release and agree to indemnify and hold harmless the Releasees from any and all liability incident to my minor child's involvement or participation in these programs as provided above, EVEN IF ARISING FROM THE NEGLIGENCE OF THE RELEASEES, to the fullest extent permitted by law.

X _____
Parent/Guardian Signature Date Emergency Phone Number(s) Participant's Name:
