



Flushing AYSO – Region 283

Return to Play Guidelines – Spring 2021

As of 4-21-2021

Flushing AYSO has new procedures for the 2021 spring season to protect our players, volunteers, spectators, and guests from the novel COVID-19 virus. Please read the following guidelines as these procedures will be in effect for this spring to all individuals that enter our complex.

Anytime a player or volunteer has the following: shortness of breath, fever, cough, sore throat, has come in close contact with someone with COVID-19. This needs to be reported immediately by emailing safety@ayso283.com and calling 810-322-0051. Players, Volunteers, and Spectators with these symptoms are not to be on the Flushing AYSO complex at any time.

Team Practices –

Coaches: Coaches will be responsible for keeping record of what players showed up to practice and who helped assist the practice (volunteers who was near players during practice). Coaches will fill out a quick form by visiting ayso283.org and clicking Flushing Coaches followed by the “record of attendance form”. A face mask is required to be always worn by players and coaches. Coaches are to enforce players to wear a face mask. **If a player is showing or admits to signs of COVID-19 then the player will NOT be able to participate in practice and will need to be reported to our safety directors by emailing safety@ayso283.com and calling 810-322-0051 immediately.**

Players: Players need to always wear a facemask. Players must wait in pavilion until coach has arrived. Players are to bring their own snacks and drinks labeled with their names on them. No team snack sharing this season.

Parents: Parents may watch practices. Parents must wear a face mask at all times. Social distancing should be practiced.

No other individuals should be on the Flushing AYSO Complex during practices.

U-15 Teams –

By law, our U-15 players must be COVID tested weekly. This will be done once a week, **(Insert day/time)**. The first test conducted will require a consent form that will be completed by a parent / guardian at the testing site. Parents may go to private testing for their players if parents provide documentation of the test results by emailing safety@ayso283.com. Our free antigen testing process will be done in the

Flushing AYSO referee office located in the pavilion. Our trained safety directors will administer the antigen testing. Please allow up to 30 minutes for this test to be completed for results. Any player that tested positive for COVID at our complex will be required to quarantine for 10 days. Parents will be contacted immediately if a positive test were to happen. We suggest parents stay at the complex during testing as no practices/contests may happen on testing days. According to the MDHSS, the test that we conduct will be the determining factor for required player quarantine. Even if private testing is conducted after the conclusion of our antigen testing. Players will still be required to quarantine for 10 days. If players aren't tested by Sunday at 5pm the week prior, the player cannot participate in any practice / contest for that given week. This weekly testing is not an option. Any refusal to get tested will result in the player(s) removal from practices and game contests.

Games –

Coaches (HOME AND AWAY): During game days, coaches are always to follow social distance guidelines and wear a face mask. Only two coaches will be allowed on the team side of the field. At no time may a parent be on the team personnel side of the field. Players are not to share jerseys during the game. Referee's and Region Administrators will be using the **ASK, WARN, and REMOVE** policy. An athlete required to wear a face mask will not be permitted to enter the playing surface until his/her face mask is worn properly (i.e., entirely covering the mouth and nose). Referee's and Administrators use good judgment and preventative officiating to remind athletes (even multiple times) that are wearing face masks to wear them properly if/when they fall below the mouth and nose. If an athlete refuses to wear his/her face mask (or wear it properly), the face mask is broken during play or a regions official's/ administrator's instructions become repetitive for the athlete to make adjustment to wear it properly, play will be stopped at the nearest pause in action and the athlete will be removed from the contest until it is corrected. Coaches need to always enforce the face mask policy towards their players. **If a player is showing or admits to signs of COVID-19 then the player will NOT be able to participate in the game and will need to be reported to our safety directors by asking to speak to an administrator by asking the referee.**

Players (HOME AND AWAY): Players always need to wear a face covering, including games. Players will need to have a mark on their hand to show they have gotten a COVID-19 Screening at the Referee Room. Social distancing is required. All players will only be on the Flushing AYSO Complex during their game time. There should be no wandering before and after their game time. Players are to bring their own snacks and drinks and not team share this Fall. No good game handshakes will take place after the game. Players may not share each other's drinks and snacks. Players are not to share jerseys. Players should use hand sanitizer frequently.

Referee's: Face masks are to be worn to and from the field and office. Social distancing is required. Referee's may or may not wear a face masks during the contest. However, face masks should be worn during breaks. Referee's will not touch the ball during the game, unless for a dropped ball. Only two coaches will be allowed on the team side of the field. At no time may a parent be on the team personnel side of the field. If those guidelines are not followed, ask for an administrator to come to the field. Referee's and Region Administrators will be using the **ASK, WARN, and REMOVE** policy. An athlete required to wear a face mask will not be permitted to enter the playing surface until his/her face mask is

worn properly (i.e., entirely covering the mouth and nose). Referee's and Administrators use good judgment and preventative officiating to remind athletes (even multiple times) that are wearing face masks to wear them properly if/when they fall below the mouth and nose. If an athlete refuses to wear his/her face mask (or wear it properly), the face mask is broken during play or a regions official's/ administrator's instructions become repetitive for the athlete to make adjustment to wear it properly, play will be stopped at the nearest pause in action and the athlete will be removed from the contest until it is corrected. **If a player or volunteer is showing or admits to signs of COVID-19 then the player will NOT be able to participate in the game and will need to be reported to our safety directors by asking to speak to an administrator via radio.**

Parents (HOME AND AWAY): Parents must always wear a face covering. Parents must practice social distancing. Parents may sit in lawn chairs but not bleachers (if applicable). All parties must practice social distancing. Parents are not to sit on the team personnel side. **If your child is showing or admits to signs of COVID-19 then your child will NOT be able to participate in the game and will need to be reported to our safety directors by asking to speak to an administrator to the referee on the complex, or emailing safety@ayso283.com and calling 810-577-3471 off the complex.**

Concession Stand Volunteers: All concession stand volunteers must wear a face mask and gloves. Social distancing is required when applicable. Entry to get in the concession stand must be by an administrator. The concession stand doors must be locked.

Common Areas

Pavilion – Sitting in the pavilion is permitted if individuals are practicing social distancing.

Bathrooms – Facemasks are required to be worn in bathrooms and social distancing is required when applicable. Only four individuals may be in a bathroom at once.

Team Bench Areas- Social distancing is required and masks are required to be worn.

Volunteers will disinfect common areas throughout the game days. Bathrooms and the Pavilion will be disinfected first thing in the morning and every 30 minutes. Team Benches will be disinfected between games. Hand sanitizer stations will be available at every field.

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