

FSC COVID-19 Return to Training Guidelines (March 15, 2021)

Farmington Soccer Club Families,

With the Governor's most recent executive order we are permitted to return to training, with some modifications and regulations and only with players that have signed with the club.

It is understood and acceptable that some families may not yet be comfortable in returning to train at this point.

As a board we have pulled resources from Michigan State Youth Soccer Association (MSYSA) as well as Michigan High School Athletic Association (MHSAA) to develop a club policy for returning to train. This policy is required by MSYSA before any club can resume training.

Please review the highlights below, as well as the linked MSYSA guidelines. We recognize that we are asking coaches, parents and players to do additional things that we have never done in the past. We thank you for your help in keeping us compliant with MSYSA's regulations.

Club Responsibilities

- FSC will notify coaches and families if we become aware that a player or coach has contracted COVID-19 and may have been infectious to others while at a club activity.
- FSC is prepared to shut down training due to health concerns up to 14 days if it is believed a group has come into contact with the virus.

Coach Responsibilities

- Coaches will check themselves for symptoms and confirm their temperature before training.
- Coaches will complete a MHSAA created health checklist that will note what players are present at training, the presence of a fever, cough, sore throat, shortness of breath or close contact with someone with COVID-19. Save these for 30 days in the event we need to trace who has been in contact.
- If you are notified that a player has become ill or were in close contact with someone who became ill, notify a member of the FSC COVID communication team listed at the bottom of this document.
- Wear a mask at all times.
- Soccer balls should be disinfected before and after each training session.
- Only the coach will handle equipment (cones, etc.)

Parent Responsibilities

- Complete MSYSA waiver linked at the bottom of the email and send to your coach before your child attends initial training.
- For any player U12 or younger, check your player in with the coach and be prepared to answer the questions for the coach's checklist prior to each training session. If the answer to any of the questions is "yes", please keep your child home.
- For any player U13 or older, be sure they are prepared to provide the coach with answers to the questions on the coach's checklist.
- If your child becomes ill, please notify your coach immediately
- Send your child with sanitizing products to every training.
- Clean all player equipment after training (clothes, cleats, ball, shin guards, etc.)
- Do not assist coaches with equipment.
- Consider not carpooling.
- Stay in your vehicle whenever possible. If you must leave your vehicle, wear a mask (including during check-in)

and adhere to social distance requirements based on current state and local health requirements.

Player Responsibilities

- Check temperature before every training session.
- Wash hands before and after training session.
- Bring and use hand sanitizer at every training session.
- Do not touch or share other players' belongings and keep equipment separated by 6 feet.
 - No sharing of water, snacks, shin guards, etc.
- Before, during and after training maintain a minimum distance of 6 feet from other players and coaches.
 - Wear a mask at all times including during play. Short "mask breaks" can be done to catch your breath while spread out.

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MSYSA Waiver:

<https://www.michiganyouthsoccer.org/Assets/Michigan+Youth+Soccer1+Digital+Assets/COVID+Waiver.pdf>

MSYSA Return to training guidelines:

<https://www.michiganyouthsoccer.org/Assets/Michigan+Youth+Soccer1+Digital+Assets/RTP+Chart+3.4.21+Updated.pdf>

Game day procedures

- Masks are required at all times by players, team officials and spectators.
- Encourage players to remain spread out when not playing in the field. Benches are not recommended.
- Perform health screening check in of all players and coaching staff
- Disinfect multiple game balls for usage (check if still on RTP sheet)
- Have hand sanitizer available for players to use after substitutions as well as after match has concluded.
- If issues arise with opposing team regarding mask compliance, attempt to reconcile with opposing coach (recommend having a pregame conversation).
 - If it is not resolved, ask ref to note on game card and report using MSYSA website
 - Violation reporting (to be submitted by team officials, not spectators):
<https://www.gotsport.com/forms/open/?FormID=3079>
- If opposing team raises a concern with FSC compliance, please address immediately. Failure to comply with MSYSA guidelines could impact our ability to continue playing.
- MSYSA 3 strike policy:
 - Warning
 - Fines
 - Removal of team from future competitions

