

COVID-19
Return to Play Protocols
Loveland Youth Basketball Association

Protocols for Referees

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The Return to Play Loveland Youth Basketball Association protocols are based on the Department of Health Director's Order to prevent and minimize the spread of COVID-19. Details on how the Director's Orders are being put into effect for **Referees** at Loveland Youth Basketball Association gyms are provided below.

The full Director's Report from the Ohio Department of Health can be found at:

<https://coronavirus.ohio.gov/static/publicorders/Requirements-Youth-Collegiate-Amateur-Club-Pro-Sports.pdf>

If you have a question about the protocol or its application, contact Loveland Youth Basketball Association at lovelandyouthbasketball@gmail.com.

Health Assessment

- All referees are required to do a health self-assessment before attending each game. Anyone experiencing symptoms must stay home. Per the CDC, the primary symptoms for COVID-19 include (but are not limited to):
 - Fever or chills
 - Cough or shortness of breath
 - Fatigue
 - Body or muscle aches
 - Headache
 - Loss of taste or smell
 - Sore throat
 - Congestion or runny nose
 - Nausea or vomiting
 - Diarrhea

Gym Modifications for Distancing

- Spectators will be limited to 2 family members per player. Spectators should be using physical distancing; referees are not asked to enforce this

Pre-Game

- Masks are required when going to/from the parking lot to the gym.
- Referees will not call teams together for a pre-game talk

During the Game

- Masks are NOT required during the game by players.
- Referees must wear masks during the entire game.
- Coaches can attend to an injured player on the court. They are required to wear a mask when doing so.

Post-Game

- No physical contact with the coaches or teams (no handshakes or 'high-fives').
- Referees will leave the court and gym immediately if they are not working the following game.

Spectators and Coaches Adherence to Physical Distancing and Masks

- Referees will not be responsible for ensuring spectators are maintaining physical distancing on benches.
- Referees will not be responsible for coaches and players adherence to physical distancing or face mask rules.