



Bayonne Youth Soccer Association RETURN TO PLAY Program Preparation Plan

The purpose of this document is to provide players and parents with BYSA return-to-play procedures and protocols in reference to COVID-19. These guidelines may or may not evolve as the COVID-19 crisis also evolves.

Many of these recommendations are set forth by public health authorities, along with guidance from US Youth Soccer and US Soccer. We as a club will always put the health and safety of players, families, and our staff first.

These guidelines are designed to mitigate risk and are NOT intended or implied to be a substitute for professional medical advice, diagnosis, or treatment. The knowledge and circumstances around COVID-19 are changing constantly and, as such BYSA makes no representation and assumes no responsibility for the completeness of this information.

Returning to the field is a personal decision that each family must make responsibly and independently. This decision will be respected by BYSA. Only families who feel comfortable with the guidelines below should send their kids to training for Phase 2 starting Monday, June 22, 2020.



PHASE 2: Full Team TRAINING/ NO CONTACT

Start Date: Monday June 22nd **GENERAL PROTOCOLS**

- Players and staff have no signs or symptoms of COVID-19 in the past 14 days and have no known exposure to someone that has been ill in 14 days. Players and coaches take responsibility for informing the club of their personal situation.
- Players and staff have no above normal temperature readings at home. This will be confirmed as temperature checks will be administered by staff as players enter the field.
- Upon arrival to training, coaches or staff will ask each player if he/she is experiencing any signs or symptoms of COVID-19 (see [CDC website](#)) including, but not limited to, cough, shortness of breath, fever, chills, sore throat, new loss of taste or smell. If the player has any signs or symptoms of COVID-19, he/she will be sent home and instructed to contact his/her healthcare provider as soon as possible.
- Participants should sanitize their personal equipment before and after every training session as per their own discretion (i.e. clean shoes with Kleenex wipes, wash uniform, etc)
- Participants should use their own water bottle.
- Each player will have his or her own water station six feet apart from others. Training activities will assure no contact between players, keeping them 6 feet from each other at a minimum (e.g. no bumping, no tackling, no shielding).
- If a player in the training group tests positive for COVID-19, they are mandated to notify the club, and the club will notify the other players in the group. All players in that group will then be required to self-isolate for 14 days before returning to training.
- Balls and cones will be sanitized after every training session.
- Coaches will wear face coverings and will maintain 6 feet of distance with each other and with players



DROP-OFF & PICK-UP PROCEDURES & GUIDELINES

1. ALL PLAYERS MUST BE DROPPED AT THE ENTRANCE TO OUR TURF FACILITY. PARENTS ARE TO REMAIN OUTSIDE THE FACILITY AT ALL TIMES.
2. Players are to remain in their cars until coaches/trainers instruct them to enter the field.
3. All players should wear a mask until they are on the turf
4. All players will meet by their coach/trainer where they will continue to maintain a 6-foot social distancing.
5. In this area a trainer/coach will take your temperature with a no-touch infrared thermometer. Players within the standard temperature parameters will be allowed to train. If the player's temperature falls outside of the standard parameters then the player will not be allowed to train.
6. Once players enter the field, they should take their mask off and place it in their bag. They will then be directed to an area where training will commence. Bags and personal possessions should be placed 10 feet from anyone else possessions.
7. During water breaks players will only be allowed to go to their own personal possessions so it is very important each player brings enough water.
8. At the end of the training session players will be directed towards their personal possessions and will be escorted off the field in groups while keeping distancing parameters.
9. A coach will escort the players off of the turf and release them to their guardian.

NOTES:

1. Players are required to wear a mask up until their temperature is taken at the entrance of the field.
2. We kindly ask parents to stay in their cars at all times.
3. Players bring sanitizer, GK gloves (GK only) and water bottle.
4. No other equipment should be brought.



PHASE 3: Full Team Competition / FULL CONTACT ON FIELD

Start Date: TBD(TENTATIVELY JULY 6TH)

ADAPTATIONS RELATIVE TO PHASE 2

- Full contact allowed on the field (i.e. regular soccer with tackling, shielding, bumping, etc).
- Spectators permitted with proper social and/or physical distancing and no contact with players or teams. At risk individuals are advised to stay at home.

PHASE 4: Full Team No Restrictions

Start Date: TBD

Phase 4 ADAPTATIONS RELATIVE TO PHASE 3

- No restrictions (full-sized groups)
- COVID 19 no longer a public health concern