

POST COVID-SOUTH EUCLID YOUTH SOFTBALL/BASEBALL ASSOCIATION WAIVER FORM

PLEASE READ BEFORE SIGNING:

In consideration of being allowed to participate in any way in the ***SOUTH EUCLID YOUTH SOFTBALL/BASEBALL ASSOCIATION***, athletics/sports program whether involving team or individual sports and related

events and activities, the undersigned acknowledges, appreciates, and agrees that:

1. The risk of injury and/or illness from the activities involved in the program is significant, including the potential for permanent paralysis and death, and while particular rules, equipment, and personal discipline may reduce the risk; the risk of serious injury does exist;

2. The risk to have direct or indirect contact with individuals who have been exposed to and/or diagnosed

with one or more communicable diseases, including but not limited to COVID-19 or other medical conditions, diseases, or maladies, and/or any mutation or variation thereof does exist and it is impossible

to eliminate the risk that I could become infected through contact with or close proximity to an individual

with a communicable disease;

3. ***I KNOWINGLY AND FREELY ASSUME ALL SUCH RISKS***, both known and unknown, ***EVEN IF ARISING FROM THE NEGLIGENCE OF THE RELEASEES*** or others, and assume full responsibility for my participation;

and,

4. I willingly agree to comply with the stated and customary terms and conditions for participation. If, however, I observe any unusual, significant hazard during my presence or participation, I will remove myself from participation and bring such hazard to the attention of the nearest official immediately; and,

5. I, for myself and on behalf of my heirs, assigns, personal representatives and next of kin, HEREBY

RELEASE AND HOLD HARMLESS THE SOUTH EUCLID YOUTH SOFTBALL/BASEBALL ASSOCIATION,

CITY OF SOUTH EUCLID, it's officers, officials, agents and/or employees, other participants, sponsoring agencies, directors, sponsors, advertisers, and, if applicable, owners and lessors of the premises used to conduct the event (collectively, the "Releases"), WITH RESPECT TO ANY AND ALL INJURY, ILLNESS, DISABILITY, DEATH, or loss or damage

to person or property, ***WHETHER ARISING FROM THE NEGLIGENCE OF THE RELEASEES OR OTHERWISE.***

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.

PARENT'S/GUARDIAN'S SIGNATURE SHOULD APPEAR ON THIS FORM. By signing this form, parent or legal guardian agrees to the above statements

and verifies that the player's date of birth is correct. Parent or legal guardian of each youth player must sign below. **FOR PARENT/GUARDIAN OF PARTICIPANT OF MINORITY AGE:** This is to certify that I, as parent/legal guardian with legal responsibility for this participant, do consent and agree to his/her release

as provided above of all the Releasees, and, for myself, my heirs, assigns and next of kin, I release and agree to indemnify the Releasees from any and all liabilities incident to my minor child's involvement or participation in these programs as provided above, **EVEN IF ARISING FROM THEIR NEGLIGENCE.**

PLAYERS NAME (PRINT) _____

PLAYER SIGNATURE _____ **DOB** _____ **-Date** _____

PARENTS NAME (PRINT) _____

PARENT / GUARDIAN SIGNATURE _____ **Date** _____

GUARDIAN CONTACT INFORMATION

ADDRESS _____

EMAIL ADDRESS _____

PHONE NUMBER _____

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Baseball and Softball



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Arrival to Venue

- **All participants, spectators, and employees must adhere to six-foot physical distancing while at the facility/course.**
- Must conduct daily symptom assessments by coaches and players (self-evaluation). Anyone experiencing symptoms must stay home.*
- No team water coolers or shared drinking stations.
- Compliant game balls must be designated to each team for use while that team is playing defense.
- Prior to competitive tournaments, event owners must alert the local health department of the event.
- These requirements must be shared prior to the event with all players, coaches, spectators, officials, and employees prior to their arrival at the venue.

Recommended Best Practices

- Digital check-in and registration for all events.
- Lineups should be entered online or by spoken word and recorded by officials/umpires without exchanging any physical documents with coaches or players.
- Athletes are strongly recommended to travel to the venue alone or with a member of their immediate household.

Practice

- **Coaches and players must adhere to physical six-foot distancing except when the ball is in play.**
- Coaches must wear face coverings at all times.
- Athletes must wear face coverings at all times while not actively participating in the field of play.
- Must conduct daily symptom assessments by coaches and players (self-evaluation). Anyone experiencing symptoms must stay home.
- No team water coolers or shared drinking stations.

- Face coverings are strongly recommended for any spectators.
- For each practice session, it is recommended that coaches divide players into groups and establish rotating shifts when possible.
- Athletes should bring individual water containers.
- Virtual meetings should be considered when possible.
- Athletes are strongly recommended to travel to the venue alone or with a member(s) of their immediate household, if possible. Face coverings are strongly recommended for individuals traveling to and from the venue.
- Whenever possible, equipment and personal items should have proper separation and should not be shared. If equipment must be shared, proper sanitation should be administered between users.

Athletes

- **Must adhere to six foot social distancing practices off the field of play.**
- Must wear face coverings at all times when not actively participating in the field of play.
- Must conduct daily symptom assessments by coaches and players (self-evaluation). Anyone experiencing symptoms must stay home.*
- Must not share water or equipment. Belongings should be used only by the individual owner or operator including, but not limited to water bottles, gloves, bats, hats, and other on- and off-field gear.
- No touch rule – players should refrain from high fives, handshake lines, and other physical contact with teammates, opposing players, coaches, umpires, and fans. A “tip the cap” can be used following the game in lieu of the handshake line.
- No spitting or eating seeds, gum, other similar products.

- Hand washing or hand sanitizing, in the absence of soap and water, are strongly recommended for athletes during the games.
- Whenever possible, equipment and personal items should have proper separation and should not be shared. If equipment must be shared, proper sanitation should be administered between users.

* Per the CDC, symptoms include cough, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, fever, chills, repeated shaking with chills, muscle pain, headaches, sore throat, and new loss of taste or smell.

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Recommended Best Practices

Spectators

- **Must adhere to six foot social distancing practices. This includes in and around bleachers for anyone not in the same family.**
- Must conduct daily symptom assessments (self-evaluation). Anyone experiencing symptoms must stay home.*
- Must not enter player areas (on the field of play or bench areas).
- Must keep six-feet or more distance from the backstop.

- Strongly recommended to wear face coverings at all times.
- Hand washing or hand sanitizing, in the absence of soap and water, is recommended strongly during the games.

Coaches

- **Must adhere to six-foot social distancing practices.**
- Must wear face coverings at all times.
- Must conduct daily symptom assessments by coaches and players (self-evaluation). Anyone experiencing symptoms must stay home.
- No spitting or eating seeds, gum, or other similar products.
- No touch rule – coaches should refrain from high fives, handshake lines, and other physical contact with teammates, opposing players, coaches, umpires, and fans. A “tip the cap” can be used following the game in lieu of the handshake line.
- Must ensure that players are following COVID-19-related prevention measures included herein.

- Coaches should ensure the players are adhering to social distancing in dugouts and other seating areas and wearing face coverings while not actively participating on the field of play.
- Whenever possible, equipment and personal items should have proper separation and should not be shared. If equipment must be shared, proper sanitation should be administered between users.

Umpires/ Officials

- **Must adhere to six-foot social distancing practices when interacting with players, coaches, and spectators off the field of play.**
- Must conduct daily symptom assessments (self-evaluation). Anyone experiencing symptoms must stay home.
- Must wear face coverings at all times.
- Must avoid exchanging documents or equipment with players, coaches, or spectators.

- Digital check-in and registration for all events.
- Umpires calling balls and strikes should allow adequate distance behind the catcher while still able to perform their duty.

Leaving the Venue

- Individuals should not congregate in common areas or parking lot following the event or practice
- Umpires should adhere to social distancing practices when interacting with players, coaches, and spectators off the field of play.
- Individuals should not exchange items.

- Team meetings should occur virtually or over the phone rather than in a team huddle.
- Athletes are strongly recommended to travel to the venue alone or with a member(s) of their immediate household, if possible. Face coverings are strongly recommended for individuals traveling to and from the venue.
- Team meals should only occur in compliance with the guidelines issued for restaurants in the state of Ohio.

Confirmed Cases

- Immediately isolate and seek medical care for any individual who develops symptoms.
- Contact the local health district about suspected cases or exposure.
- Organizer must maintain a complete list of coaches, players, and employees present at each event to include the date, beginning and ending time of the event, plus name, address, and phone contact to be made available upon request from local health district.

- Work with local health department to identify potentially infected or exposed individuals to help facilitate effective contact tracing/notifications.
- Once testing is readily available, test all suspected infections or exposures.
- Following testing, contact local health department to initiate appropriate care and tracing.

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