



Safety Plan & Protocols

POLICY & PROCEDURES FOR GARDENS CLASSIC TOURNAMENT

SAFETY PLAN & PROTOCOLS GARDENS CLASSIC TOURNAMENT March 5 – 7, 2021

The Palm Beach Gardens Youth Athletic Association, and the Palm Beach Gardens Predators Soccer Club have worked to provide a safe and fun format to be able to host the annual Palm Beach Gardens Classic Soccer Tournament, Friday, March 5 – Sunday, March 7, 2021. This event will include 30 teams, from the regional area.

The following information details the safety plan and protocols being followed in preparation, during and post tournament event organization. These will be implemented and instructed to all club members and staff, volunteers, and required mandatory implementation to all visiting teams and members. They do not replace or supersede any protocols or restrictions outlined by state or local authorities.

STAY HOME IF (for parents, players and coaches) Do not come to Gardens Classic Soccer Tournament 2021 if you or a member of your team may have COVID-19; you had exposure to someone with COVID-19; you or anyone in your household is caring for someone with COVID-19; or you are at high risk to catch COVID-19 based on the published Center for Disease Control list.

Park Facilities these rules will be enforced:

- Dyer Park Soccer fields – fields #3, #4, and #5

TEAM & PARENT PROTOCOLS

- All Parents/Guardians are required to sign on behalf of the participant the **Palm Beach Gardens Youth Athletic Association COVID-19 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND WAIVER**
- No parents will be allowed on the fields.
- Parents must wear Face Masks at all Tournament locations at all times
- Social Distancing 6 feet. No gathering of parents.
- Parents will be able to watch games from outside of the fence.
- Coaches and players will be on the side of the field opposite of the fence side (parents).
- No team benches.
- All Players and Coaches must socially distance or be wearing masks during pre-game, half-time gatherings and post-game when leaving the field.
- No team pre-game and post-game handshakes should be avoided. Physical contact should be avoided during celebrations. Social distancing on sidelines between players and coaches.

COACHES AND PLAYERS

- All Coaches are required to sign the **Palm Beach Gardens Youth Athletic Association COVID-19 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND WAIVER**
- Respect and practice social distancing
- Place equipment, bags, etc. at least size feet apart
- No use of benches
- No high-fives, handshakes, knuckles, or group celebrations

- No grouping of players before or after training
- Leave the soccer complex immediately after game

HEALTH CHECKS

Prior to participation, program technical staff, referee assignors, and coaches must obtain confirmation from each player, coach and official that:

- They are not experiencing any of the symptoms related to COVID-19
- They have not had contact with anyone who has had a confirmed case in the last 14 days
- They are not restricted from participation by a healthcare provider
- Each individual should check their own temperature and refrain from participation if they have a fever (>100.4°F).
- A representative from each team (i.e., head coach or team manager) must confirm with the opposing team that all participating players and staff have met the above requirements.
- All referees must confirm individually with both team representatives that all referees have met the above requirements.
- Any individual who is unable to confirm these criteria must be restricted from participation and contact their healthcare provider.

TOURNAMENT MANAGEMENT

- On-line check in for all teams will be mandatory
- Trophy presentations will be limited, and awards given to each team in the final. All player medals and trophy will be handed to the team coach only. No group presentation will be given.
- Tournament will provide Site Directors who will handle all paperwork only and all tournament staff will wear face masks.
- All teams will check-in electronically only and no in-person check-in.
- No Team meetings with Site Directors will be allowed - only communications through emails to limit any meetings on the fields
- Games times and crossover of traffic will be extended to allow more time between games and players & teams to leave the field and leave the complex. This will significantly reduce the number of people at a complex at the same time.
- Stagger game time starts so the number of participants entering/leaving the

field complex will extend more space for parking and movement off the fields.

- It is recommended to please limit one parent in attendance per player to limit gathering size.
- All teams will have to sign a liability waiver of consent to play during the Covid-19 pandemic before being allowed to participate.

REFEREE RESPONSIBILITIES

- All Referees and officials are required to sign the **Palm Beach Gardens Youth Athletic Association COVID-19 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND WAIVER.**
- Follow facility guidelines and requirements.
- No Referee should officiate a game if they are displaying symptoms of COVID-19.
- Must be wearing a mask during check in and when leaving the field.
- Masks are optional when game is in progress.
- Confirm with coaches from each team that all participants have passed the health check prior to the game.
- Sanitize all equipment prior to the game.
- Use only your own equipment.
- Make sure to have at least 3 sanitized game balls available throughout the game.
- Your role is not to enforce the protocols. Your role is to note and report any non-compliance to the tournament staff and site directors.

ATHLETIC TRAINERS

- Trainers will be onsite to provide assistance for injuries.
- The trainer will have disposable masks at their area. If you are being treated and can wear a mask, you will be required to wear one.

Draft schedule outline for the 11v11 games (U13-U16) that will be played at Dyer Park.

Friday

Time	Field 3	Field 4	Field 5
6:00pm	Game 1	Game 2	Game 3
8:00pm	Game 4	Game 5	Game 6

Saturday

Time	Field 3	Field 4	Field 5
9:00am	Game 1	Game 2	Game 3
11:00am	Game 4	Game 5	Game 6
1:00pm	Game 7	Game 8	Game 9
3:00pm	Game 10	Game 11	Game 12
5:00pm	Game 13	Game 14	Game 15
7:00pm	Game 16	Game 17	Game 18

Sunday

Time	Field 3	Field 4	Field 5
9:00am	Game 1	Game 2	Game 3
11:00am	Game 4	Game 5	Game 6
1:00pm	Game 7	Game 8	Game 9