

## **COVID-19 Soccer Return To Play Guidelines**

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# **Spectators**

- <u>Indoors:</u> each player under the age of 18 is allowed one spectator for all Danvers Indoor Sports soccer league play.
- Outdoors: spectators are permitted and required to follow the below guidelines
- all spectators are required to wear a mask at all times
- all spectators are required to stand at least six feet away from each other at all times

### **Danvers Indoor Sports Entrance and Exit**

- participants are required to enter and exit the facility at pre-assigned doors. Please view our facility entrance and exit plan using the link below

https://danversindoorsports.com/dis-reopening/

- participants and spectators are asked to wait in their car until five (5) minutes prior to their kickoff time. Teams and spectators must remain outside until they are let in the building by a DIS staff member
- participants and spectators are required to sanitize upon entering, and exiting the facility

#### **COVID19 Soccer League Play Guidelines**

- All intentional heading of a soccer ball is suspended. Intentional heading will result in an indirect free kick for the opposing team
- Shoulder to shoulder contact is suspended, as is any other intentional physical contact. Intentional contact will result in an indirect free kick for the opposing team
- For all restarts, all players must comply with 6-foot distancing from both teammates and opponents. Normal DIS encroachment rules apply.
- Incidents of players spitting will result in an immediate ejection with a one game suspension

## Mask Policy - Player/Coach

Gaiter masks are not approved facial covering for DIS league play. Only face coverings that loop around players ears are acceptable. This applies to coaches, and league referees as well.

All players, coaches, and referees must wear face covering during play, and on the bench. The default expectation is that the face covering will be worn properly. Failure to have your face coverings securely/ properly worn according to these guidelines will result in an indirect free kick for the opposing tram, as well as a two minute card for the player in violation.

Coaches and Officials must wear facial coverings at all times when social distancing is not possible. Players must wear facial coverings at all times on the sidelines when social distancing is not possible.

It is the responsibility of the head coach to certify that their entire team is wearing appropriate/ approved face coverings prior to each game. Facial coverings are treated as legal player equipment as are shin-pads, and proper footwear.

If at any point the referee feels that conditions are not safe in the bench area, as it relates to face coverings, they may issue a two minute card to the head coach for failure to enforce the facial covering policy.

Players, Coaches, and Officials must use hand sanitizer prior to entering the field, and after exiting the field.

Players, Coaches, and Officials are required to wear masks at all times while they are off of the field (ie DIS common areas, parking lot, restrooms)

For more information Danvers Indoor Sports COVID-19 reopening plan, preference the following link: <a href="https://danversindoorsports.com/dis-reopening/">https://danversindoorsports.com/dis-reopening/</a>

### **Soccer League Refund Policy**

In the event of a government mandated COVID-19 shut down, Danvers Indoor Sports soccer leagues will be suspended until it has been deemed safe to return to play. Outstanding suspended games will be rescheduled at a later date.