



SWYSA Recreational Soccer Spring Season Update

Hello Southwest Washington Youth Soccer Community,

It's been a long 15 months but we are happy to say, Rec Soccer is back!!

SWYSA Spring Season Dates: 8 week season - April 16th thru June 12th, no games over Memorial weekend.

As we are eager to get back on the field, we MUST remember that we still have guidelines and rules to follow. It is every person's responsibility to follow the guidelines in place. Not following the guidelines puts each team, club and league at risk of being shut down. If you are unable or unwilling to follow the guidelines, please stay home.

For the 2021 Spring Rec season, we are following the WSYA and State Guidelines, with a few specific notations.

Each club has an assigned COVID staff member. Inform your club contact as soon as possible of any suspected cases, positive tests, negative tests, exposure to someone who has tested positive, or has a fever.

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WSYA Return To Play - <https://washingtoneyouthsoccer.org/washington-youth-soccer-return-to-play-guidelines/>

WYSA Game Day Protocols - https://washingtoneyouthsoccer.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/02/WYS_League_Protocols_Safety_Plan_2.5.21.pdf

WA State Guidelines – update on **03/26/21**

<https://www.governor.wa.gov/sites/default/files/COVID19%20Sporting%20Activities%20Guidance.pdf>

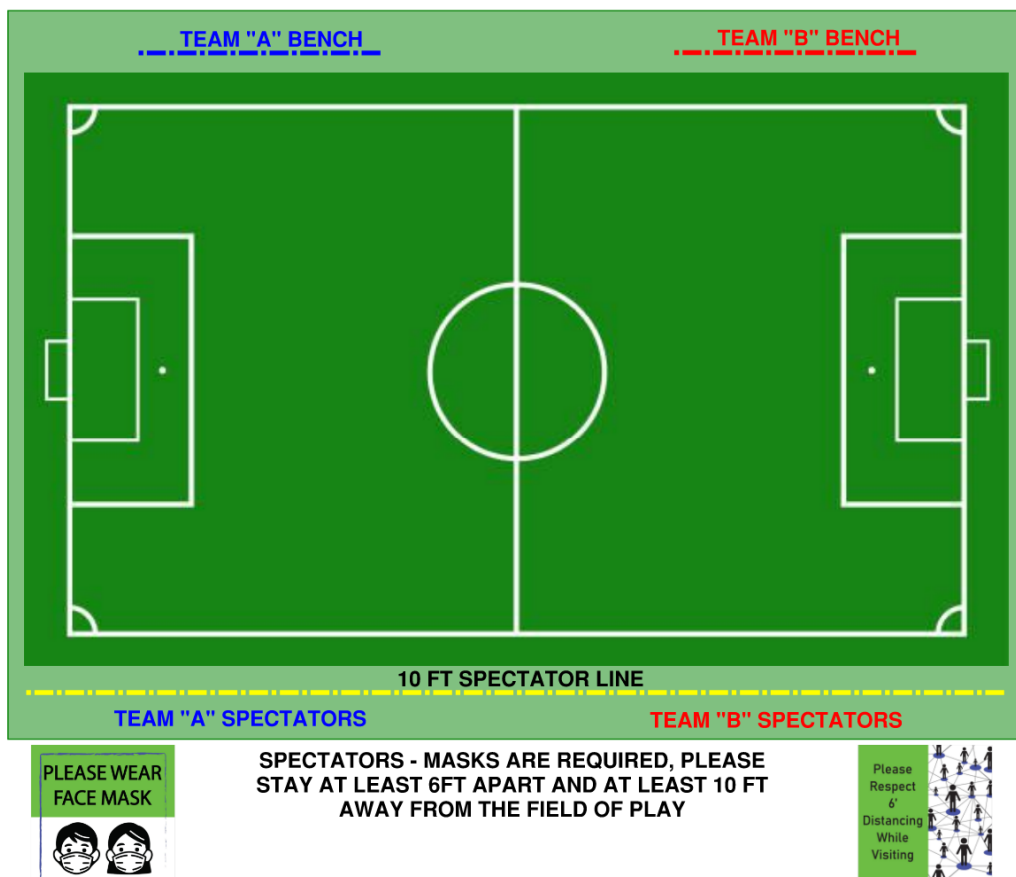
Spectators – while Phase 2 and Phase 3 allow for spectators, SWYSA requests that families limit their attendance to 1 or 2 spectators per player. Additionally, some fields/facilities may have more restrictive limits. Home teams shall communicate with visiting teams on specific field rules.

We understand that everyone wants to watch their child play. Teams are allowed to have a team videographer on the sideline to live stream games.

Field Layout for Team Benches & Spectators and Field Monitors – as typical, teams will be on one side of the field and spectators will be on the opposite side. Spectators should sit directly across from their team benches. Clubs shall paint a spectator line 10 ft away from the sideline as per WYSA Game Day protocols.

Teams shall provide Field Monitors for home/away games.

The Field Monitor's role is to help facilitate the COVID guidelines for their team's spectators. Masks, social distancing, field rules, etc. Field Monitors shall report any issues or concerns to their club COVID representatives. It is recommended that Field Monitors be provided a hi-vis vest so that they easily identifiable.



Game Formats - U5 – U14 will follow standard game formats outlined by the SWYSA competition chart. Age groups may be combined depending on team registrations.

U15+ “HS bracket” will be 9v9 or 11v11 depending on team registrations, roster sizes or team choice.

Game Schedules – game schedules may change at any time due to the fluid nature of county phases, field restrictions, etc. Check your schedules weekly. [SWYSA Rec Spring Soccer Schedules](#)

Game Day Rosters – starting this spring season, the league will be using printed roster with pictures. This eliminates the need for player cards. As before, teams must present the referee a signed roster at each game. No write in players are allowed.

Thank you for your continued support, cooperation and patience as we get back on the field.

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