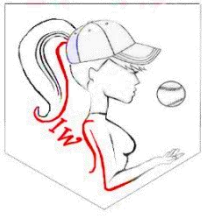


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1. All team reps/coaches are to communicate to all players the following Return to Play Guidelines before commencing play:
[Softball BC Return to Play Guidelines and Protocols.pdf](#)
2. Comply with all current governmental health regulations and protocols such as 2m social distancing and hygiene practices to prevent spreading of COVID-19.
3. **Medical Emergency Procedures**
 - if a player requires medical assistance, each team will have a Designated Emergency Person (DEP) that will:
 - Be primary person to attend the person for close proximity requiring medical assistance.
 - Use proper ppe (gloves & face mask), have sanitizer towels and administer use of first aid kit if necessary.
 - Call 911 if requiring ambulance or further assistance.
 - Take note name of person (or persons involved), place, time, injury and assistance provided, fill out Emergency Action Plan Form. *This information will be communicated to league executive within 24hrs or soonest.*
4. **Protocols for entire game duration**
 - A maximum of 50 spectators total is allowed at the park, 2m physical distance must be maintained
 - Maximum amount of 50 participant's total, 25 per team.
 - Physical distance of 2m outside of play (when not on the playing field)
 - Masks are highly recommended when not on the playing field
 - Sanitize hands before entering the field and have sanitizer present throughout the game
 - No physical interaction such as handshaking, hugs, high five's or team huddles
 - No spitting (this includes sunflower shells and any other shelled food)
 - No sharing of beverages or food



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5. Pre-Game

- Team reps/coaches are to advise players that are ill not to attend and to follow [Viasport/Softball BC Illness Policy](#) (Appendix C)
- Any player exhibiting signs of illness at the playing field will immediately leave the premises. *A participant may bring this to the attention of the umpire who will suspend play and notify the team rep the game will not continue until the player leaves the premises. The player's name and team names will be noted and communicated to the Executive.*
- Participants are not to use dugouts while on the sidelines

6. Game time:

- Start of game, umpire and coaches will go over ground rules keeping 2m physical distance
- Batting lineups will not be exchanged, scorekeepers will confirm with umpire scores after each inning
- Umpire, catcher and batter to keep 2m physical distance
- Base runners to run 2m behind catcher when scoring
- Tagging should be with ball in glove only
- Each inning the defensive pitcher will bring out their game ball for play and at the end of the inning the defensive pitcher will return their ball to their bench for sanitizing
- Umpires are not to handle the ball unless inspecting for flaws.
- Person retrieving a bat should pick up by barrel only
- Minimize sharing of equipment (ie bats), if sharing wipe down after each use
- Umpire fielding calls, take the safest path with physical distance in mind.
- At end of game, no handshaking, good sportsmanship gestures only directed to umpire and opposing team |

7. Post-game:

- Wipe balls, bats and other touched items, sanitize hands
- Keep area clean, properly dispose of any garbage
- Leave field in a timely manner, no social gathering
- Report any issues or recommendations to league executives