



YSA's Return To Action Program

As we are very excited to get back on the field, the safety of our staff and players is paramount. Below is some important information that has been compiled through various feedback and guidelines set forth by our sports governing bodies at the State and National level combined with information set by North Carolina's Governor and the Department of Health.

While we are going to do our best to put the staff and players in the safest possible environment, primarily it is the responsibility of our families to educate children on expectations when out on the field. Practices and games are understandably going to have a different feel this season. To be in compliance with our governing body recommendations, YSA is looking to uphold the below expectations for our fall recreation season.

RESPONSIBILITIES OF YSA

- YSA will engaged with local health professionals and will continue to create dialogue to ensure that Yadkin Soccer Association is providing the safest environment for all members.
- Educate all Yadkin Soccer Association staff and volunteer coaches on expectations and protocols when on the field this fall. Part of that protocol will include a plan of action in case of the unfortunate event of a COVID positive result occurs within our player pool.
- All our recreation facilities will be provided with hand sanitizer for use on player's hands before, during and after a training sessions.
- Yadkin Soccer Association will be compliant and will adhere to the updated regulations provided by Yadkin County Schools and Yadkin County Parks and Recreation Department.
- YSA will close the restrooms at the park concession stand every 2 hours for sanitation. In addition, we request that no more than 3 people be inside the restrooms at one time.
- Provide enough space for teams to train adhering to the any current social distancing requirements that may still be in place during the fall season.
- Most of our training curriculum for all our recreation teams through the fall will predominantly be technical based sessions with limited contact, but obviously small-sided games/competitions will be integrated into each session and games are planned to be played on the weekend. Our volunteer coaching staff has been provided with example practice plans that meet the social distancing requirements that has been mandated by United States Youth Soccer.

RESPONSIBILITIES OF COAHES

- Observe each players general health and communicate parent responsibilities at practice.
- Ask general COVID questions before the start of each practice.
- Report any positive COVID 19 reports to director or board members.
- Maintain sanitization of team equipment prior to and after each use and wear mask during training sessions. Also encourage the use of hand sanitizer during breaks at practice.
- Develop training sessions that are social distancing friendly.
- Help maintain social distancing of players during all breaks.
- Absolutely no pennies are to be used at any practice/training session.

RESPONSIBILITIES OF PARENTS

- When arriving at practices and/or games each week throughout the season, please ensure your child is healthy and does not exhibit any potential symptoms of illness. If they are under the weather, please do not bring them to any session.
- If any player exhibits a fever of 100.4 degrees and potential symptoms of illness, they are to miss any soccer related activity and can only return when they are fever free for 24 hours.
- Please notify the club if your child does become ill with potential COVID-type symptoms during the season.
- We encourage players to have their own hand sanitizer, preferably the kind that attaches to the outside of their soccer bag and will be encouraged to use it frequently during water breaks at games and training sessions. The club will have hand sanitizer available at each location on practice and game days.
- Yadkin County Schools has granted access to outdoor facilities only. Any child needing a restroom break will need excusing from the remainder of any training session. Any missed time will not be held against any player for this reason when it comes to playing time on game days.

Many of these recommended protocols are common sense. If we work together to minimize exposure to the COVID-19 virus, then we can all stay safe and healthy and continue to enjoy sport activities.

We hope you have a wonderful season.

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