

Mandatory requirements for Youth, Collegiate, Amateur, Club and Professional Sports

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Sports participants

- Athletes
- Coaches
- Volunteers
- Staff
- Employees
- Venues

- Affiliated teams and schools
- Spectators



Social distancing

 Six feet from other individuals
 Prohibited activities: shaking hands, team huddles, high fives, and extensive time spent on activities with close proximity (such as rebounding drills).

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Face coverings (non-athletes)

- Coaches, athletic trainers, volunteers, and officials must wear face coverings at all times.
- To allow for the use of whistles or to be heard when coaching or officiating, coaches and officials are not required to wear face coverings during games and practices.

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Athletes

Face coverings required when:

- Not on the field or court of play
- In public

Face coverings encouraged when:

At home

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Spectators

- Households should sit together.
- Sit-foot distance between groups.
- No congregating.
- Face coverings required at all times.
- High risk individuals "urged" to stay home.

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Venue limitations

- Outdoor venues: No more than 1500 individuals or 15% of fixed, seated capacity, whichever is less.
- Indoor venues: No more than 300 spectators or 15% of fixed, seated capacity, whichever is less.

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Equipment

- Must be properly sanitized before use.
- Avoid sharing, sanitize between uses if sharing is required.
- Ensure sufficient equipment to limit need to share.

Do not share water bottles, other food or drinks, towels or face coverings.



Facilities

Operators must take steps to:

- Allot time between practice sessions
- Stagger use of and disinfect shared spaces
- Ensure properly operating ventilation
- Limit number of players in confined spaces (such as a dugout)

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Facilities

- Establish safe spectator pathways, considering aisles, exits, entrances and gates, for both ingress and egress.
- Assigned seats preferred over general admission.
- Recommended: assigned arrival times, blocking off unused seats and front and last rows



Team travel

- If possible, compete only against teams in the same local area.
- Limit use of carpools.
- Bus travel: Conduct a pre-travel symptom and temperature check, use face coverings, social distancing

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Compliance

"Teams, coaches, school officials, and the sponsoring entity of an event must comply with the requirements of this Order."

- The venue, host, or sponsoring organization of affiliated school has an affirmative duty to ensure that the order is followed by all other sports participants.
- The host or sponsoring organization shall designate a compliance officer.



OHSAA Observer's Program

Designated individuals attending contests to ensure compliance who will:

- Make contact with school's athletic administrator or designated compliance officer.
- Provide feedback to school on violations they observe.

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Observers' Notes (Week 1)

- Individuals congregating
- Social distancing
- Hand sanitizer
- Ingress/egress
- Facial coverings
- Physical contact outside of contest



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