

Appendix F – Sport Specific Activity Protocols (Ball – Baseball, Fastball, Softball)

General

- The Organization is ultimately responsible to ensure full compliance with this Return to Play plan. This includes players, coaches and spectators.
- Follow all **physical distancing** and **mask usage** requirements as stated in the Safety Guideline for Facility User Groups
- No person should pick-up or handle other participant's equipment.
- The organization is to track their own attendance with the designated attendance tracking form immediately after each practice. NL Baseball will track attendance and conduct daily participant health screening via the Teamsnap sports organization app (players and coaches) and a custom form (for any participants not rostered within Teamsnap). All attendance records will be sent to covid-attendance@tol.ca after the completion of each event. Attendance records for any time/date/facility can be retrieved promptly by the NL Baseball Executive (email president@nlbaseball.ca, registrar@nlbaseball.ca) up to a maximum of 90 days.
- Please follow the rules and regulations for **game play** as stated in the Safety Guideline for Facility User Groups
- Please follow the rules and regulations for **spectators** as stated in the Safety Guideline for Facility User Groups

Facility Information

- No more than **50** individuals per facility. This includes participants, coaches, assistants, umpires, scorekeeper, and 2 designated off-floor safety officers.
- Bleachers and dug-outs are closed.
- Field will have one entrance and one exit to ensure physical distancing during arrival and departure. Please follow the Township of Langley Ingress & Egress Plan
- All change rooms will be closed.
- The start and end times of training sessions will have a 15-minute buffer between sessions to allow coaches and players the appropriate physical distancing requirements and guidelines of health authorities.

Before Activity Starts

- The designated Screener must ask the following four questions for every participant:
 - *Are you exhibiting any symptoms of COVID-19 (fever, dry cough, chest or respiratory pain?)*
 - *Has any member of your household exhibited any symptoms of COVID-19 within the last 14 days?*
 - *Have you or any other member of your household arrived from outside Canada in the past 14 days?*
 - *Have you had close contact with someone who has or is suspected to have COVID-19 or have you been told by public health that you may have been exposed and need to quarantine (self-isolate)? NOTE: Close contact is face-to-face, closer than 2 metres for a minimum of 15 minutes.*
- Participants must come dressed in appropriate attire. Change rooms are currently closed
- Bring your own water bottle- water fountains are currently closed.
- Primary contact will gather contact tracing information of all participants prior to practice/training.
- Follow all **physical distancing** and **mask usage** requirements as stated in the Safety Guideline for Facility User Groups

During Activity

- Follow all **physical distancing** and **mask usage** requirements as stated in the Safety Guideline for Facility User Groups
- If an injury occurs to a player on that team, either the umpire or coach will call time and only the coach and In Charge person – both wearing protective gloves and face coverings - may go to the injured player, everyone else must maintain physical distancing.
- Should a player need to leave the field during play due to breathing concerns associated with wearing a face covering, any player on the bench may replace the removed player and not be counted as a substitution leaving/re-entering the game.
- Balls should be routinely rotated and sanitized. The pitcher/catcher will call time and the ball will be given to the Sanitizing Champion to be sanitized, the Sanitizing Champion will throw in a sanitized ball in exchange.
- If a ball goes out of play the Sanitizing Champion will sanitize the ball.

After Activity

- No handshake with the opposing team/officials after the game.
- Follow all facility guidance with respect to exit flow.
 - All participants are to leave the playing field immediately after the game has ended. No team meetings at the venue post game.
- Follow all **physical distancing** and **mask usage** requirements as stated in the Safety Guideline for Facility User Groups
- The organizations is responsible for sanitization of all high touch surfaces (dugout posts/poles) and shared equipment (such as bases and equipment bin) both before and after the game.
- Follow all facility guidelines pertaining washroom use.