

Return to Competition



SECTION A - GAMES/PRACTICES

1. Game play will resume based on current County and CDPH guidelines and rates.
2. Teams are strongly encouraged to screen all those attending a match on each game day (players, coaches, spectators) according to the [CDC Screening Tool](#) to help ensure that no individual with infection or exposure is in attendance.
3. Face Coverings/Masks
 - a. Face coverings to be worn by players when not participating (e.g. on the sidelines).
 - b. Face coverings be worn by participants during practice, conditioning and competition, even during heavy exertion as tolerated.
 - c. Face coverings to be worn by coaches, support staff, and observers at all times, and in compliance with the CDPH [Guidance for the Use of Face Coverings](#).
4. Limit spectators to immediate household members, and for the strict purpose of age-appropriate supervision.
5. Spectators maintain at least 6 feet from non-household members.
6. No sharing of drink bottles and other personal items and equipment.
7. Mixing with other households prior to and post any competition must strictly adhere to current gathering guidance.
8. When equipment is shared during an activity, participants perform hand hygiene (wash hands with soap and water or use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer) before play, during breaks, at half time, and after the conclusion of the activity.
 - a. Balls or other objects or equipment can be touched by multiple individuals during practice and play if the above hand hygiene practices are followed.
9. There will be no team benches - players must remain six feet apart on the sideline.
10. No handshakes.
11. Referees for each game will be documented for possible contact tracing.

SECTION B - OTHER GUIDANCE

1. Parents/Guardians have been given informed consent letters (included at the end of this document) that they must sign prior to players being allowed to participate.
2. Teams must not participate in out-of-state games and tournaments.
3. All individuals are required to follow [CDPH Travel Advisory](#) regarding out-of-state travel, including a 10-day self-quarantine period. As such, individuals who travel out of state would not be able to attend events during this 10-day period.
4. Teams adhere to current [CDPH Travel Advisory](#) recommendations when determining travel for competition in neighboring counties.
5. No tournaments or events that involve more than two teams to occur.
6. Only two teams should be present at a single game field at the same time.
7. Only one event (game, practice, competition), per team, per day maximum to be played.

8. As per the [CDPH's February 19 guidance](#), teams should limit participation by athletes and coaches during practice and competition to one team, and refrain from participating with more than one team over the same season or time period, to the greatest extent possible.
9. Games are permitted to occur only if (a) both teams are located in the same county, or (b) teams are located in immediately bordering counties and the sport is authorized in both counties.
 - a. The county-based authorizations apply to the locations/counties in which the teams are functionally based (e.g., where the players reside, where facilities are located, etc.).
 - b. Solano County Public Health Department has been notified that we intend to resume cross-county competition in accordance with CDPH guidance. We have been advised that the county has no additional rules with regard to youth sports.

SECTION C - INFECTION/EXPOSURE

1. No one with symptoms of COVID-19 or who is in isolation or quarantine for COVID-19 is permitted to attend competitions.
2. Anyone with symptoms of COVID-19 should consult their physician for testing and notify their club/coach of their symptoms and test results. Please refer to the [Return to Sports Guidance](#) for youth athletes as well as the [CDC Quarantine Guidelines](#).
3. Post-match positive cases of players, coaches, referees, and spectators will be reported to our league admin and the opponent.

Parental/Guardian Consent for Child to Participate in Youth Soccer Competition

Name of Child: _____

Name of Parent or Guardian: _____

Name of Child Team and Age Group: _____

Name of Club: Solano Surf Soccer Club

According to the guidelines issued by the [California Department of Public Health on February 19, 2021](#) (“**Guidelines**”), youth may begin returning to team soccer competition provided the conditions set forth in the Guidelines are satisfied. One of the conditions required under the Guidelines is that each child’s parent or legal guardian sign an informed consent indicating the parent or legal guardian understands and acknowledges the risks of the youth returning to competition. Execution of this informed consent (“**Consent**”) satisfies that condition.

As stated in the Guidelines, COVID-19 continues to pose a severe risk to communities and requires all people in California follow recommended precautions. In addition, general information regarding COVID-19 and recommended precautions that everyone should take can be found on the [CDC website](#). The Guidelines set forth the specific risks related to COVID-19 that youths face in returning to organizing sporting competition.

In signing below, you are indicating you have been provided access to the Guidelines and understand the risks to your child, you and your family associated with your child’s return to competitive athletic competition as set forth in the Guidelines. Specifically, you understand that, with your child’s return to soccer practice and competition, there is a risk of contracting Covid-19 and this risk increases when face coverings are not worn and physical distancing is not maintained. Further, this risk increases with greater exertion levels and when mixing cohorts and groups, particularly when from different communities.

In signing below you also agree to comply with the Guidelines and such other applicable federal, state, local, Club and NorCal Premier Soccer laws, regulations, policies, procedures and guidelines.

I have read and understood the Guidelines and have had the opportunity to ask questions of my Club with respect to my child’s return to competition. I understand that my child’s participation is voluntary and that I am free to withdraw my child at any time.

Signature of Parent/Guardian
