

A group of baseball players in blue uniforms are huddled together on a field, with their hands stacked in the center. A man in a blue polo shirt and glasses is in the foreground, looking down at the huddle. The background shows a baseball field with a wooden fence and a blue tarp.

RedWest Baseball & Softball New Covid Policies Training

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It's a Whole
new World
Its going to take
a different way
of doing things

- Understand what we are trying to Accomplish
- Remember everyone has a different tolerance for risk
- Remain Flexible
- These are guidelines
- We will evaluate and adapt as we go
- When in doubt always go with the least risky option

Most Important
Thing to
Remember

No One is perfect. There will be mistakes. We need to cut each other some grace.

Supplies that you
will have with or
available to you

- First Aid kit
- Box of Masks
- Hand Sanitizer
- Disinfectant wipes
- Dugouts will also have hand sanitizer in them to use liberally as needed.

General Rules to follow at all Times

- Masks are to be worn by everyone. Players, coaches, fans, officials, etc.
- Hand sanitizer for all team people at the start and end of event
- Maintain social distancing
- Physical contact, unless a safety issue, should be avoided
- No Peanuts, Sunflower seeds, gum, etc.
- No sharing of equipment, minus a ball, without being wiped down. Avoid if at all possible.
- If a person doesn't feel well stay at home

Practice Expectations

- Only those involved in the practice will be in the field of play. Everyone else needs to be outside the field area.
- Drills should be designed to maintain as much distance as possible. Smaller groups are easier.
- Drills should limit physical contact.
- Roster needs to be kept of who is there or not there.

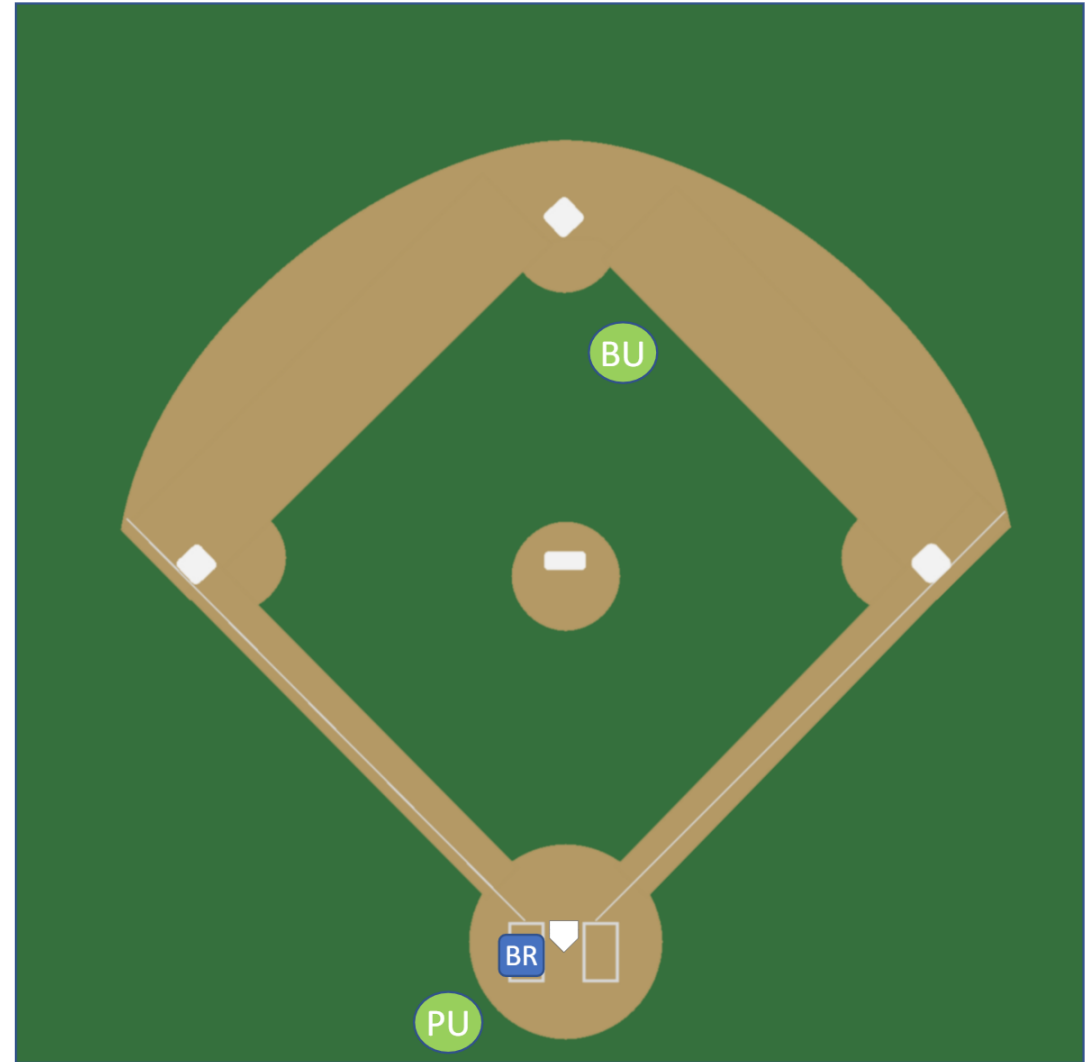
Game Expectations

- Only those involved with the game are allowed in the field of play. Players, coaches, managers, and umpires.
- Plate meeting will be conducted socially distant and no lineups will be exchanged.
- Each team will manage and maintain their own game balls when they are on defense. Wipe down after your half inning
- Dugouts need to maintain the social distancing. Use down the fence line outside the field of play at upper fields and the concrete pad on lower fields when extra room is needed.
- Ask families to bring chair and an umbrella for the athletes to use.
- Find “out of dugout” help. I am defining the dugout as the covered area in the fields. Print a LOT of lineups.
- Avoid physical contact as much possible. Elbow bumps are good.
- No licking of fingers.
- No post game cheer or handshake.

Umpires Expectations

- Plate meeting will happen with social distancing. No hand shakes. Elbows OK, except to the umpire's face.
- Umpires will do a VISUAL only inspection of equipment. Have players place bats out with the USA Bat logo out and visible. Place batting and catcher helmets so they can be seen completely around.
- Base umpire will be behind the pitcher to one side or the other calling balls and strikes.
- Home plate umpire will be off to the side and a little behind the batter more the 6' feet and move into position when the ball is in play.

Umpire Alignment



Other Game expectations

- One scorekeeper will be allowed in the booth by the home team. A household member is allowed to be in there with them.
- Fans are permitted with the following capacity limitations
 - Combine upper fields 300 people
 - Combine lower fields 150 people
- Fans need to spread out and maintain social distancing.
 - Sit on the hill on 1, 2 and lower fields.
 - Down baselines and bleachers bring your own chair
 - Households can sit together.

What to do if there is an issue.

- Start with a lowkey conversation.
- Call or find the league president Will Simmons—425-681-3276
- Call or find (I'm up there a lot) the Safety officer, JJ 206-715-1495
- Call the VP for SB or Baseball
 - Baseball-Cale Carter 425-306-1991
 - Softball—Robert Hartman 425-283-2173

What to do if there is known positive test.

- If there is a positive case within 3 days of a contact
- Call and or Email
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Reminder on the important things.

- We are out here for the kids. They deserve a safe place to play and do some normal things.
- Everyone has a different level of risk tolerance. Be respectful of that!
- When in doubt error on the side of caution.
- No one is perfect so grant some grace.

Questions?