



RETURN TO PLAY GUIDELINES FOR GAMES, PRACTICES OR OTHER EVENTS *Updated 5/2021*

In conjunction with Governor Hogan's *Maryland Strong Roadmap to Recovery*, and in consultation with the Anne Arundel County Health Officer, the Department of Recreation and Parks has developed a plan for recreational opportunities and public facilities. The following are **GUIDELINES** for Recreation and Parks Facilities and/or programs operating under a permit issued by Anne Arundel County Recreation & Parks Department.

It is the responsibility of all facility users to follow recommendations below.

GENERAL PROTOCOLS: Participation in Recreation & Parks programs is only allowed if you have had **no** signs or symptoms of COVID-19, and you have not been exposed to someone who has had signs or symptoms of COVID-19. If you have had a positive test or exhibit signs of COVID-19, you should contact the Health Department 410-222-7095 or 443-481-3140.

- Participation in athletic programs requires a signed Anne Arundel County COVID Waiver Form. The form can be found on our website at <https://www.aacounty.org/departments/recreation-parks/forms-and-publications/index.html>
- If you are sick or feel sick, you should remain home;
- **Masks are no longer a requirement for outdoor activities (except large ticketed venues like concerts or sporting events). There is still a CDC recommendation for those not vaccinated or that cannot maintain social distance.**
- A list of players, coaches and volunteers who attend each practice and game should be kept. This list will be requested by the Health Department if someone tests positive for COVID-19. If a team member does test positive the organization must contact the Health Department at 410-222-7095 or 443-481-3140;
- Social distancing should continue to be practiced when appropriate;
- No sharing of drink bottles or any personal equipment;
- No centralized hydration or refreshment areas;
- Tents are **not** permitted with the exception of **medical** tents;
- At the conclusion of your team's game we are asking all players, coaches and spectators to quickly exit the field to create space for the next teams scheduled to play;
- Restrooms should be made available at most sites. Port-a-pots may also be available at sites.

Please note that Recreation & Parks has the authority to cancel, suspend or deny all permitted use of Anne Arundel County property if an organization/team fails to comply with the guidelines.