

December 16th, 2020

CALIFORNIA MAGIC SOCCER CLUB

2020-2021 Soccer Guidelines & COVID-19 Modifications



We are united in our desire to return to safe in-person learning, sports, and other activities in the interest of physical, mental, social, and emotional wellness. In unison with our public health officials, NorCal Premier Soccer, and the California Interscholastic Federation – we urge all to wear a mask, practice physical distancing, limit mixing between households, and practice all basic hygiene.

Many of the State requirements and recommendations are already routine for Magic. Our community has been and remains committed to ensuring the safest and highest quality experience possible. This is the way to ensure the best chance for Return to Play progress, as allowed by the guidance from the California Department of Public Health. State agencies will continue to monitor epidemiological trends.

KEY TAKEAWAYS

- Ⓜ Physical conditioning, practice, skill-building, and training can be conducted outdoors and within stable team cohorts remain authorized regardless of county tier status.
- Ⓜ There is currently no distinction in the guidance between competition within a club (Phase 3: Contact Training) and competition between clubs (Phase 4: League Play).
Along with our league, NorCal Premier Soccer, we are seeking further clarification in this regard.
- Ⓜ Competitions or similar events are authorized only if (a) both teams are located in the same county and soccer is authorized, or (b) teams are located in immediately bordering counties and soccer is authorized in both counties.
- Ⓜ Out of state competition is not allowed at this time.
- Ⓜ The county-based authorizations outlined in this document apply to the locations/counties in which the teams, schools, and leagues are functionally based. Magic facilities and the majority of members are based in Contra Costa County.
- Ⓜ Any tournaments or events that involve more than two teams are not currently permitted in California. Exceptions may be made, with authorization from the local health department for individual sports competition.
- Ⓜ Youths recovering from COVID-19 will have different paths to return to soccer based on the severity of their illness. Those who are asymptomatic or have mild symptoms should not exercise until cleared by a physician. See the [American Academy of Pediatrics Interim Guidance on Return to Sports](#) for additional guidance for more serious infections.

Youth sports organizations must still follow all guidelines from their local county and sports governing bodies. This document is not intended as medical or legal advice.

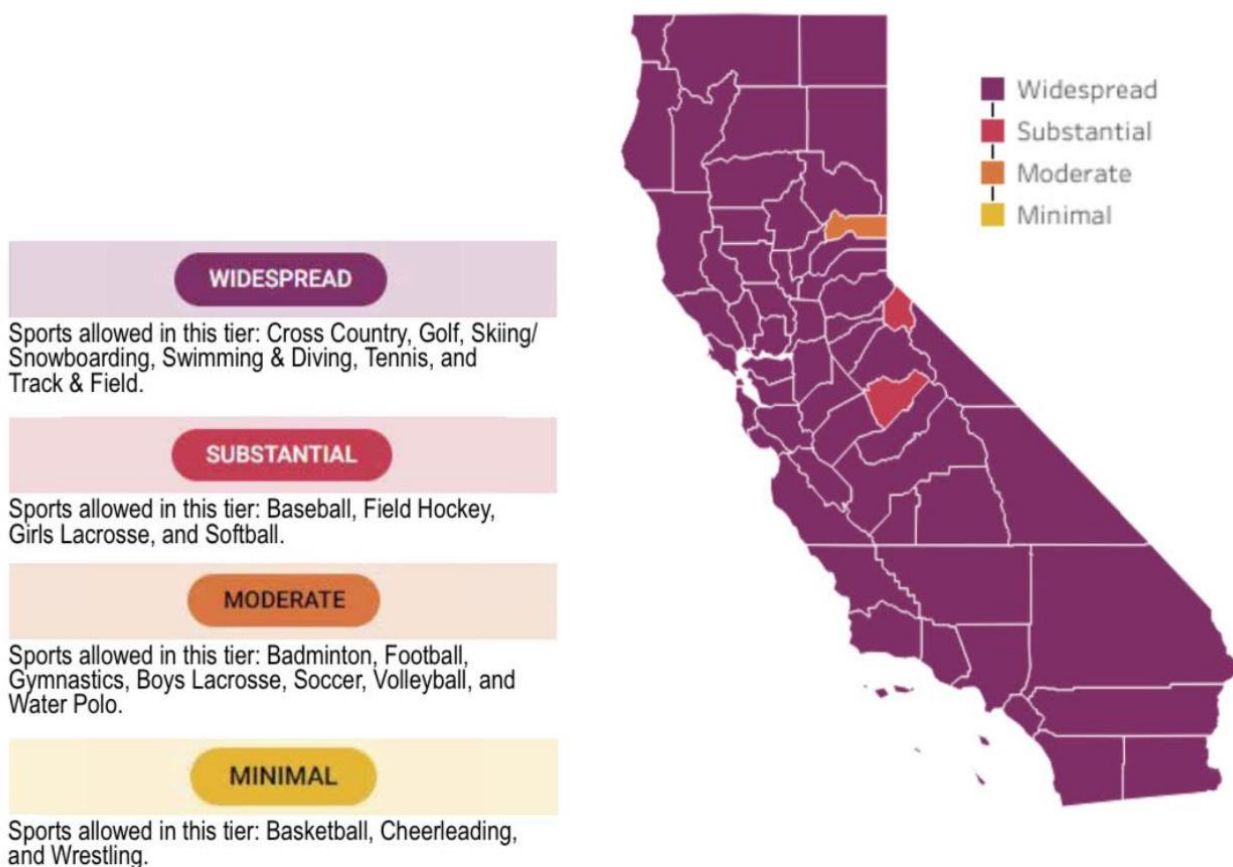
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YOUTH SPORTS ORGANIZATION COVID-19 MODIFICATIONS

- Information is current as of December 15th, 2020
- [CDPH Youth Sports Guidelines](#)
- Magic Guidelines will be updated upon further guidance from NorCal Premier Soccer
- All previous [Policies & Procedures](#) remain intact

December 15, 2020



Physical conditioning, practice, skill building, and training that can be conducted outdoors, with 6-feet of physical distancing, and within stable team cohorts are currently authorized for all sports regardless of county tier status. Such activities may be conducted indoors consistent with the Gym & Fitness Center Guidance Capacity. In counties under the Regional Stay at Home Order, only activities consistent with the sentence above are permitted, regardless of the county's tier status.

Competition between two teams will not be allowed in California until January 25, 2021, at the earliest. Once return to competition is allowed every participating school's county must also be in the authorized tier status for the respective sport in order to compete.