



## **NOTICE**

### **COVID-19 SAFETY GUIDELINES**

**July 2020**

Until otherwise notified, all direct HTA participants must adhere to the following safety guidelines in response to the current COVID-19 pandemic. While no plan is foolproof, focused efforts to avoid unnecessary contact and disinfect common touchpoints will aid in limiting transmission of the contagion.

1. Any shared equipment (potentially helmets, bats, catchers gear, etc.) must be sprayed or wiped down with disinfectant after individual use.
2. Each club must provide its own garbage bags and secure its own trash after each game.
3. Managers must enforce personal distancing within the dugout and on the field when the ball is not in play.
4. The post-game handshake is suspended.
5. Managers will coordinate with umpires to frequently exchange and sanitize game balls.
6. Direct participants who feel ill or have a fever are not permitted to participate.
7. While the wearing of masks is not mandatory, participants in higher-risk categories are strongly encouraged to wear masks on the field and/or in the dugout.

Likewise, Club Managers and players are asked to communicate with family and spectators to ask that they observe the following non-participant guidelines.

- Non-participants must maintain a minimum of 6 feet of separation (unless they are from the same family).
- Spectator use of properly-distanced folding/umbrella chairs is strongly encouraged.
- Spectators who feel ill or have a fever are not permitted to attend HTA events.
- The wear of masks is strongly encouraged.
- If proper distancing cannot be maintained due to crowd size, the Managers of the participating clubs will coordinate to suspend the game until such distancing is achieved.