



Beacon Hill Baseball & Softball Association  
**COVID-19 Safety Plan for Softball**

Inning 2

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This document outlines our plan for operating safely during the COVID-19 pandemic. It aligns with:

- PHO guidance outlined in **Step 2 of BC’s Restart Plan**
- ViaSport’s Return to Play guidelines for Phase 2, and
- Softball BC’s Return to Play guidelines for “Inning 2”

*“Participant” means any person — coach, parent volunteer, or player — participating in an “event”*

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## Symptom Screening

Before each event, all participants will complete a symptom screening questionnaire via the Health Check feature in the TeamSnap app.

# Illness Policy

## If a participant is feeling sick with COVID-19 symptoms

- They must stay home from events and should use the [BC COVID-19 Self Assessment Tool](#).

## If a participant tests positive for COVID-19

- They may not attend events until they are free of the COVID-19 virus.
- Any other people who are deemed by Public Health to be a [close contact](#) of the infected participant will also be banned from participation for at least 14 days.
- Any surfaces or equipment that could have been touched at an event by the infected participant will be disinfected as soon as possible.

## If a participant is awaiting the results of a COVID-19 test

- They must stay away from events until a negative result is confirmed.

## If a participant is a “close contact” with someone with COVID-19

- If a participant knows they are a [close contact](#) of a person who has COVID-19, they will [self-isolate](#) for 14 days since they last had contact with the infected person, or until cleared to come out of isolation by Public Health, and will not participate in events during this time.

## If a participant receives a general exposure notification

- If they receive a notification from Public Health that they have been in attendance at a place where there has been an exposure, but have *not* been directed to isolate, they may continue to attend events.
- If they *have* been directed by Public Health to isolate due to a high-risk exposure, they must stay away from events until cleared by Public Health to return.

## If a participant has travelled outside of Canada

- They must have met the [Government of Canada’s requirements](#) for travel.

## If someone in the participant’s household is showing symptoms of COVID-19

- The participant must not participate in events until the person showing symptoms has used the [BC COVID-19 Self Assessment Tool](#), spoken to a health professional (i.e. by calling Health Link 8-1-1), or received a negative COVID-19 test result and is reasonably confident that they do not have COVID-19.

# Outbreak Plan

*“Case” means a single case of COVID-19. “Outbreak” means two or more cases.*

If a case or outbreak is reported:

1. The President of the Association will be informed immediately.
2. The President will immediately report and discuss the suspected outbreak with the local health authority.
3. The President will convene the Board to modify, restrict, postpone, or cancel activities.
4. If anyone suspected or confirmed to have COVID-19 has been at the field or facility, enhanced cleaning measures will be taken to reduce risk of transmission. If BHBSA is not the facility operator, the facility operator will be notified immediately.

## Events

Starting June 15, 2021, practices, scrimmages, in-club, and inter-club games within lower Vancouver Island will be taking place.

### Scheduling

- All events will be scheduled in advance

### Attendance

- The attendance of participants at each event will be tracked through the TeamSnap app
- Attendance records will be kept for at least 30 days after the event

### Number of participants

- There will never be more than 50 participants using a facility or diamond at an event

### Team Safety

- A parent volunteer other than a coach will be present at each event to act as a Team Safety
- The Team Safety’s job is to ensure proper sanitization of shared team equipment and ensure that park spectators do not exceed 50 people (2 per player)

### Spectators

- A maximum total of 50 spectators (e.g. parents, family members) will be permitted within the field area at events. Bleachers may now be used.

## Equipment & Sanitization

- No sharing of personal equipment, water bottles, or food
- Catcher's gear shared between participants will be sanitized between users