



2021 Rochester Boys and Girls Tournament Covid-19 Guidelines

Girls February 20/21 and Boys Feb. 27/28th

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Due to Minnesota Department of Health (MDH) Guidelines for management of youth sports and Covid-19 protections. All requirements outlined below were made with the intent to reduce cross-traffic contact with other teams and potential Covid exposure.

Team Check-In

- One coach per team needs to check-in 60 minutes prior to their first game. The check in location is: **Home2Home Located at.....**
- Coaches will need to present the following: rosters, spectator list, waivers, and mask exemption documentation at team check-in.
- One wristband will be provided to each team per player. The wristbands are for
 - 3 coaches
 - 1 scorekeeper (each team will need to provide someone to run the clock and complete the officials score sheet)
 - Spectators

Spectator Limits

- **Due to facility restrictions in Rochester, we are limited to one spectator for each player. This includes coaches and score table.**
- No additional wristbands will be granted outside of what are given to coaches.
- All spectators will only be allowed in the building once they are contacted to enter, approximately 10 minutes before their scheduled first game. Until then they must wait outside the building.
- Re-entry will not be permitted
- **NO outside chairs are allowed in any buildings, and there will be NO inside chairs or benches available to sit on in any buildings.**
- Spectators will need to stand and maintain the 6 foot socially distance from non-family members.

Waivers

- All entrants will need to complete the Online Waiver prior to arriving at the tournament.
- **Link will be available :**

Building Entering Requirements

- Any player, coach, official, spectator or support staff that is currently in quarantine due to close contact exposure or positive Covid test result will need to stay home.
- Pre-entry screening will be conducted.
- Any player, coach, official, spectator or support staff will need to stay home if they are experiencing any symptoms prior to the tournament. Any player, coach, official, spectator or support staff will be sent out of the facility if any symptoms develop during the tournament.
- Only spectators with wristbands will be permitted to enter.

Building Entering/Exiting Process

- Teams will be admitted FIRST no more than 30 minutes prior to the start of their first game. The coaches will be contacted by event staff. Spectators should remain in their vehicles until contact via a text message sent by the coach.
- Once the teams are in the gym, spectators will be allowed to enter. Tournament staff will escort them to their courts.
- Guidelines, rules, maps will be posted online and posted at each facility. There will be Tournament Staff to help direct traffic for incoming and outgoing games.
- All teams will be expected to exit immediately following their respective game (unless playing back to back or have to skip game). This will assist our staff to clean the courts/disinfect the area. prior to the next game.
- Team meetings are strictly prohibited following the game on the bench or in the hallway after the game. All participants and spectators must leave the building immediately following the game.
- Please follow the posted signs and tournament staff to which doors to enter and exit.
- You will not be able to leave and re-enter a facility during the game.

Mask/Face Covering Policy

- Masks/face coverings must be worn at all times when indoors. Mesh masks are not acceptable.
- Masks/face coverings must be always worn by coaches, players, spectators', officials, and event staff.
- Players must wear a mask while on the team bench and while playing.
- Mask exemption protocol.
 - Those individuals seeking a mask/face covering exemption must obtain a written, medical exemption from a licensed medical professional who is registered, licensed, certified, or otherwise statutorily authorized by the state to provide medical treatment and is practicing within the person's medical training and scope of practice.
 - Coaches will provide a copy the exemption at Team Check-in and will carry one with them at the bench.
- Face shields are not acceptable for players when playing.

Equipment

- It is each team's responsibility to provide their own; masks, hand sanitizer and other PPE must be provided by each participating team for their players and coaches.
- Each facility will have hand sanitizer available throughout the venue. It is recommended that players, coaches, officials, and support staff sanitize their hands before and after each game.
- There will be medical personnel at each tournament location to handle any injuries that may occur.
- Cleaning of benches, score table and equipment will also be cleaned in between games. This will be handled by our tournament staff.

Concessions

- There will be NO concessions offered in any facility. Players and coaches can bring their own snacks.
- Players will need to bring their own water bottles.
- Fountains will be off – only the water fillers will be on.

Teams

- Only a MAXIMUM OF 12 TOTAL PEOPLE per team allowed on the bench at one time. This includes players and coaches. There is a maximum of 3 coaches on the bench allowed. If there are 10 players, only 2 coaches will be allowed on the bench. NO EXCEPTIONS.
- Each team is being asked to provide a score keeper/clock worker. This person will be from their spectator group.
- Teams will refrain from handshake lines/other contact from opposing team when not active in a game.
- No touch rule – Players must refrain from physical contact not directly related to the playing of the game. Coaches and officials must refrain from all contact with each other, spectators, players, and members of other teams.
- There will be no area outside the gym for your team to rest, leave their bags, or have any team meetings.
- When a game has finished, each team will gather their bags and equipment and immediately go to the next court their next game. If your team does not need to move, please keep your bags in the same bench area used for the previous game, do not change benches.

Games

- Games will be scheduled in groups. Teams will be playing back to back games and some cases there may be a third game in a row. There is also the possibility that there may be a break between games. In this case teams will be escorted to a waiting area.
- Games will be 18 minutes running clock. With stop clock the last 2 minutes of 2nd half.
- See posted game rules and tournament code of conduct for all tournament rules.
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- When a group of games are completed all teams and spectators will be required to leave before the teams of the next group of games will be allowed in.