



Role of the Team COVID-19 Coordinator

The primary responsibility of the Team COVID-19 Coordinator is to provide parents with updated communication and to help to keep accurate attendance. Your contributions will help to keep the players, coaches and the NGS community safe.

1. Communicate COVID-19 policies with the team (masks, balls, hand sanitizer, social distancing, attendance on TPCA). NGS will keep you updated on any changes in safety guidelines. You will be asked to send reminders as part of your regular communication to the team. Please review the **Key Safety Points for NGS Families** at the end of this document and visit our website frequently:

<https://newtongirlssoccer.org/covid-19-updates-guidelines/>

2. Maintain accurate attendance records for practices and games on TPCA. Families must keep their daughters' TPCA account up to date at all times. This is necessary for contact tracing. **Please work with the coach to come up with a system to make sure that the group who shows up for practices and games is accurately recorded on TPCA.**

3. Individuals should be assigned to observe the sidelines at each game. This can be a shared responsibility. The designated person should then alert the coach with any issues as they relate to COVID-19 policies (6-feet of physical distance at all times, wearing a mask, staying home if ill, one spectator per child). It is NOT the job of the sideline monitor to confront anyone who is not following the rules. Once informed, the coach can either speak to the parent directly and/or have the game stopped because it is unsafe to play. With good communication, hopefully we can avoid any of these actions.

4. If a player becomes sick or shows symptoms of COVID-19, the parent should contact the NGS President, Justin Traxler, and the Covid-19 Safety Officer, NGS DOC, Shaun McBrien, who then contacts the Department of Public Health for further direction. The affected individual's name should not be disclosed in communication to the team.

5. Travel Teams only: Please communicate with your opponents no later than Wednesday the week before a BAYS game. It is a good idea to "check in" with your opponent before a game during a regular season, but it is critical that we take this extra step this year. Please communicate our safety guidelines

and sideline expectations for HOME games and please inquire about any special modifications or information that we should be aware of before AWAY games.

Key Safety Points for Our NGS Community

- Players must be in good health and must have no signs or symptoms of COVID-19 in the past 14 days and must have not been exposed to someone that has been ill in 14 days. Parents must take their daughter's temperature (100.4 or higher, stay home) before arriving at the field and keep them home if they feel sick.
- Incoming players should not enter the field until players from the earlier session have left the area. Please do not arrive more than 5 minutes before the session.
- Masks with earloops should be worn. All players must wear a mask upon arrival and departure of the field and should wear the mask at all times. If a player needs to pull down her mask, ideally she should be 6 feet away from other individuals. When handling her mask, a player should use the earloops. Players are permitted to pull down their masks during high intensity aerobic activity or if medically necessary.
- Players MUST bring their own soccer ball, water, ample hand sanitizer, individual pinny and mask. All of their belongings should be contained in a bag. Players should not share water bottles or any snacks.
- Players will be given their own "forest green" pinny and they will be responsible for bringing it to each soccer session and keeping it clean throughout the year.
- Players should be reminded that they should not touch their face (eyes, nose, mouth) with unwashed hands.
- Players should be reminded that they should not have group celebrations such as high-fives, fist bumps, hugs or post game handshakes during this time.
- We need to reduce numbers. Only one spectator per child is allowed to attend a game and if possible, parents should not be present at practices. Please do not congregate in parking lots. Waiting in the car is permissible.
- All spectators must also wear masks whenever present at an Academy practice or game and keep at least 6 feet of social distance at all times.
- Attendance on TPCA must be 100% accurate as is mandated by the state. Please make sure that you keep your players' TPCA account up to date at all times.
- If your player becomes sick or develops symptoms of COVID-19, you should contact NGS President, Justin Traxler, and the NGS Covid-19 Safety Officer, DOC, Shaun McBrien.