



City of Tampa Athletic Fields will re-open effectively May 16, 2020

In these unprecedented times, we recognize the importance of our role in establishing new operational procedures and guidelines for the phased re-opening of athletic fields that will benefit the health and wellbeing of all our patrons.

The new operational procedures and guidelines listed below adhere to guidelines of the CDC, local and state health departments, and best practices of the Florida Recreation and Parks Association. The objective of these procedures and guidelines is to maintain a safe and healthy environment while continuing to help you all create memorable experiences that will last your participants a lifetime. These operational procedures and guidelines apply to all organization members, participants, and anyone else involved in their event.

- **STAY HOME IF YOU ARE SICK**

- Wash hands often and do not touch your mouth or face.
- Recommended that members, participants, and anyone else involved in the event have their temperature taken prior to each practice.
- Athletic Fields will open only for **practice** that consist of conditioning, drills and skill Development. **CDC recommends sanitizing any Shared Equipment between uses.**
- Restrooms must be cleaned and sanitized at regular intervals and be monitored by your organization.
- Follow all CDC safe distancing guidelines, including but not limited to:
 - No Use of dugouts or Team Benches that do not meet distancing requirements. Recommended to use the sidelines/foul lines to maintain proper distancing.
 - No player contact (Handshakes, high-fives).
 - Team huddles must allow for safe distancing.
- No team water coolers. Members, participants, and anyone else involved in the event should bring their own personal water and should not share.
- Hands and equipment must be sanitized before, during and after practices.
- CDC suggests that participants, coaches, parents, and anyone else involved in the event wear a mask.
- No games or scrimmages allowed during this Parks phased re-opening (Conditioning, skills and drills only until CDC guidelines change).
- An implementation plan and schedule must be provided to the City Athletic Office and approved prior to workouts (practices will be audited by City of Tampa Staff).
- Parents, and other spectators are not allowed to stay for practice if distancing requirements cannot be met.
- All picnic shelters, playgrounds, outdoor exercise equipment, basketball courts, volleyball courts, and splash pads may not be used and currently remain closed.
- Please refer to the City's website for information regarding pools that are open, but limited to lap swimming by appointment only.
- Residents will be able to utilize certain amenities, including open outdoor spaces, kayak and canoe launches, tennis, pickleball, handball, and racquetball courts (maximum of two people per court), disc golf courses, walking trails, skate parks, athletic fields (must contact Athletics at (813) 731-9432 to reserve use), restrooms, only if practicing social distancing and gathering of no more than 10 people.
- Please note that the CDC states that older adults and people of any age who have serious underlying medical conditions might be at higher risk for severe illness from COVID-19.



I, _____, as a representative of _____ organization/team/individual rental request, have read the City of Tampa re-opening guidelines for athletic fields and understand the inherent risk related to direct or indirect contact with individuals who have been exposed to and/or diagnosed with one or more communicable diseases, including but not limited to COVID-19 or other medical conditions, diseases, or maladies, and/or any mutation or variation thereof, does exist and it is impossible to eliminate the risk that someone could become infected through contact with or close proximity to an individual with a communicable disease. By signing below KNOWINGLY AND FREELY ASSUME ALL SUCH RISKS, both known and unknown, and assume full responsibility for the reopening of the facility and/or field use and willingly agree to comply with the stated reopening terms and conditions of the City of Tampa Parks and Recreation Department. Further, I hereby indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the City of Tampa, its officers, employees, agents, and representatives, of and from any and all Claims, including all liabilities, claims, actions, damages, costs or expenses of any kind arising out of or relating incurred or as a result of said function, including but not limited to attorney's fees, attributable for bodily injury, sickness, disease or death, or injury to or destruction of tangible property. My obligation to indemnify, defend, and hold harmless includes any claim by my agents, employees, representatives. Nothing herein shall be construed to waive or alter the City's sovereign immunity or the limits, rights, or requirements of Section 768.28, Florida Statutes.

Signature: _____

Printed Name: _____

Date: _____