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WYSA Return to Play Update | August 14, 2020 Advance to Phase III

Effective August 14, WYSA is advancing to [Phase III](#) of U.S. Soccer's PLAY ON Return to Play Protocol. Phase III allows for the continuation of full-team training and the addition of full-team competitions. Once again, local health orders supersede guidance from WYSA and/or the PLAY ON protocol, and each club is responsible for compliance with their local health order.

To ensure that we are returning to play as safely as possible, clubs are required to meet the criteria in this [Return to Play Checklist](#). Each club's President MUST submit electronic acknowledgement of this document prior to engaging in any further soccer-related activities.

The "[Sample Club RTP Documents Draft](#)" contains language for the policies listed in the WYSA Return to Play Checklist:

- Player Drop Off, Pick Up & Personal Responsibility Information
- Protective Measure Policy
- Cleaning & Hygiene Policy
- Review and Summary of Return to Play Phases

For successful progression to Phase III, it is critical that each club is diligent in their efforts AND all members practice strict compliance with Return to Play Policies or we will be forced to revert to prior phases of the PLAY ON protocol.

[Friendlies](#)

The WYSA Board of Directors has adopted a [Friendly Games Policy](#) which requires teams to obtain permission from WYSA to host friendly games in Wisconsin. This includes any interclub play (friendly games or scrimmages) between two clubs, with or without referees. This policy is effective immediately and attached for your reference.

[Insurance Update](#)

WYSA is in the process of renewing General Liability and Accident Medical Policies for the 2020/2021 program year. We have been notified that communicable diseases are an exclusion from General Liability policies across the commercial marketplace.

Therefore, as of September 1 our liability program does not cover transmission of COVID-19. Organizations (and participants) have a duty of care, for reasonable and prudent effort to prevent the spread of COVID-19, to mitigate their own risk.

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Player Registration

As fall teams are finalized, clubs are reminded to sync player registration data with the state system via Demosphere. Please note, players must be registered and rostered to be covered by WYSA insurance. (Even if your team elects not to participate in a fall league, players must be registered and rostered for coverage during training activities.) Players rostered as of September 15 will be included on November 1 invoices. Player drops must occur before September 15 to be excluded from player registration invoices.

WYSA Leagues

Schedules for leagues administered by WYSA (SECL, SWCL, Youth Academy & State League) have been distributed to clubs. Field schedules are due back from assignors on August 19 and the reschedule window will be open from August 19 to August 23.

Fall 2020 Cups

Applications for the Fall 20 President and State Cup are due August 24. Modified competition plans will be announced next week providing teams the opportunity to register or withdraw based on available information.

Interstate Travel

Permission to travel out of state remains suspended. However, there are limited exclusions for teams participating in US Youth Soccer National League programs or interstate border agreements.

Please proceed with caution as Wisconsin progresses to Phase III. Thank you for your continued efforts to support soccer across the State. If you have any questions, or there is anything WYSA can do to assist, please contact [Melissa Zielinski](#).

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