

2020 CIAC GENERAL GUIDE FOR SOCCER **(Updated 9/23/20)**

Pregame Meeting:

- One official, head coach from each team, one captain from each team.
- Conduct pregame meeting on the field, clear of other personnel.
- Maintain the social distance (SD) of 6 feet between all participants during the meeting. Masks must be worn.
- No handshakes, fist or elbow bumps.

Team Benches:

- Area can be expanded to promote social distancing.
- Coaches should emphasize bench personnel to observe 6 feet SD and masks must be worn.

Ball Chasers:

- Encourage 6 ft. SD. When possible, place additional game balls outside the field to limit contact. Encourage chasers to use their feet or wear gloves to field and return balls.

Substitutions:

- Maintain 6 ft. SD between substitutes, officials, table, and teammates.

Scorers' Table:

- Limit to essential personnel - the scorer and timer provided by the home team, with 6 ft. SD if possible. Masks must be worn. Visiting team personnel and team statisticians are not essential.

Pregame to Post Game events:

- No pregame introduction line. If doing introductions, send players to field positions.
- Coaches are encouraged to hold pre-game, quarter, half-time, and post-game meetings off of the playing surface where possible and with SD.
- No post-game handshaking.

Player Equipment:

- Players may wear masks and gloves while playing.