NEAAU SUMMER LEAGUE PLAYOFFS – RI/CT COVID GUIDELINES AUGUST 22-23, 2020

It is required that ALL safety guidelines are followed by each team and family. It is the responsibility of each team to make sure their players and their spectators are aware of the guidelines and that they are followed.

Symptoms

- Any person with positive symptoms will not be allowed to participate and should contact his or her primary care provider or other appropriate health-care professional.
- Some symptoms include: Cough, shortness of breath, sore throat, change in taste or smell, fever. Be sure to visit www.cdc.gov for more information.

Travel Restrictions

While Massachusetts and RI/CT will participate in separate playoffs, some teams could have a player rostered from out of state. Please be aware of the current travel restrictions recently imposed by Connecticut and Massachusetts

- https://portal.ct.gov/Coronavirus/travel
- https://www.mass.gov/info-details/covid-19-travel-order

Field Specific Guidelines

• Requirements may differ from town to town, so be prepared to follow all requirements that are identified by the host club where your game will be played

Arrival at the Field

- A team should arrive at the field no more than 20 minutes prior to the schedule start time.
- Refrain from arriving in team vehicles
- Everyone playing or attending must arrive in a mask

Face Masks

- Umpires & coaches must wear a face mask at all times
- Spectators must wear a face mask at all times if social distancing cannot be guaranteed
- Players must wear a face mask at all times except when playing defense

Proper Social Distancing

- Six (6) of social distancing must be practiced by everyone at all times
- Coaches must ensure that players maintain proper social distancing in and around the dugouts
- Equipment
- There should be no shared athletic equipment (gloves, bats, helmets, towels, water bottles, clothing, shoes, or sports specific equipment) between players.

Limit Spectator Size

• Spectator size will be monitored to ensure gathering sizes meet state guidelines

Food & Beverage

- No food such as seeds, gum, etc. should be allowed while on the field at league games
- There should no team coolers or shared drink stations

Celebrations

• Coaches and Players should refrain from team celebrations such as high fives or others

Spectators

- Spectators must wear a face mask at all times if social distancing cannot be guaranteed
- Spectators should avoid team dugouts
- Spectators should bring their own seating or portable chairs when possible
- When using pop up tents please restrict to family members only

After the Game

- No handshakes between teams
- Teams line up on the baselines after the game for a tip of the cap instead of handshakes
- Teams required to clean their dugout after their game(s)