

Volunteer Coach Application

Sport:_____

Name:_____

Address:_____

City:_____ **ST:**_____ **Zip:**_____

Phone#_____

E-Mail:_____

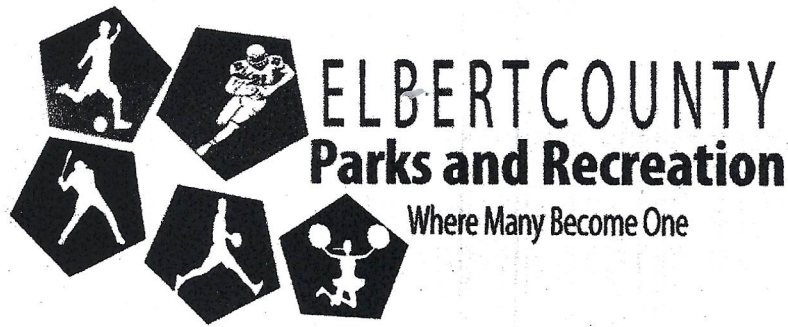
League Desired:_____

Do you have a child participating? Y or N

Coaching Experience:_____

Comments:_____

Signature:_____ **Date:**_____



Criminal Background Check Consent

Full Legal Name: _____

Current Address: _____

City: _____ ST: _____ Zip: _____

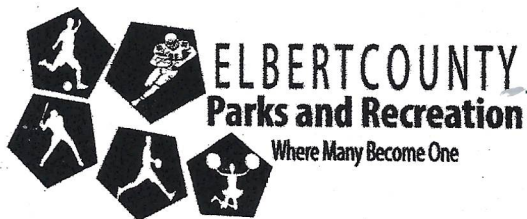
Birthdate: _____

SSN#(Required): _____

I hereby give consent for ECPR to run a criminal background check. I understand that this information will remain confidential and could determine coaching status.

Signature: _____

Date: _____



Soccer Dates

Subject to change due to COVID-19

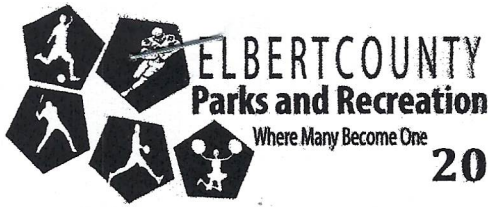
August 24— Registration Ends

August 27— Teams Assigned to Coaches

August 31— Practice Begins

September 28— Games Begin

November 12— Season Ends



2020 Youth Soccer Guidelines

Game Length

5 & Under – Four 6 minute quarters with running clock – 5 minute Halftime

8 & Under – Four 6 minute quarters with running clock – 5 minute Halftime

11 & Under – Four 8 minute periods with running clock – 5 minute Halftime

5 & Under – All players on field during game with all coaches.

SUBJECT TO CHANGE DUE TO COVID-19

8 & Under - 10 players on field – 9 players and 1 goalie. 1 Coach on field

If a team has less than 10 it is suggested that the other team match the same number of players. Goalies are required to wear a scrimmage vest provided by ECPR.

SUBJECT TO CHANGE DUE TO COVID-19

10 & Under – 11 players on field – 10 players and goalie. No coach on field.

If a team has less than 10 it is suggested that the other team match the same number of players. Goalies are required to wear a scrimmage vest provided by ECPR.

SUBJECT TO CHANGE DUE TO COVID-19

Soccer Terminology

Scoring- a goal is scored when the ball has crossed the goal line and into the soccer goal.

Playing the Ball- Except for throw-ins, the goal keeper is the only player allowed to play the ball with their hands or arms inside their own penalty area.

Out of Play- The ball is out of play when it crosses the boundaries of the playing field.

Throw In – Awarded against the team that last touched the ball before it went out of play. The thrower must face the field and as he or she releases the ball, part of each foot must be on the ground behind the out of play line.

Goal Kick- Awarded to the defending team when the ball crosses the end line after being last touch by an opponent. The kick may be taken by any player on the defending team. The ball is placed within the half of the goal area nearer the point where it crossed the end line.

Corner Kick- Awarded to the attacking team if the ball crosses the end line having been last touched by a defending team player. The kick is taken by from the circle at the corner flag on the appropriate side of the line.

Penalties- Tripping, holding, touching the ball with hands, dangerous play and obstruction.

Penalty Kick – Any offense that incurs a direct free kick is enforced by the award of a penalty kick to the opposing team when it is committed by a defending player in his own penalty area. A penalty kick is taken from the penalty mark and all defending players must be at least 10 yards from the penalty mark. The player taking the kick must kick the ball forward and may not play it a second time until it has been touched by another player.

Offsides- An attacking player is offsides if, when the ball is played, is nearer the opposing goal than two opponents and the ball.

Free Kick – A free kick is either direct or indirect and is taken from where the offense occurred. A direct free kick is one from which a player taking the kick can score a goal. An Indirect free kick is one from which a goal cannot be scored until the ball has been touched by another player.



The health and safety of our participants, parents, spectators, volunteers, officials and staff remain our highest priority. Participation may not allow for proper physical distancing and other safety measures currently recommended; therefore, participation in activities may increase the risk of COVID-19 transmission. Mitigating these risks is a shared responsibility of all involved. Therefore, Elbert County Parks and Recreation requests that parents and participants adhere to the following guidelines to keep everyone safe during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Stay Home when Appropriate : Players, parents, coaches, spectators and officials should stay home and not attend programs or activities if sick, have fever, tested positive for or are showing symptoms of COVID-19. Individuals that have recently had close contact with a person with COVID-19 (close contact defined as within 6 feet for a period of 15 minutes or longer) should not attend programs or activities. Individuals should consult state and/or local guidance on recommendations for returning to activities. If person develops symptoms during activity, person should be isolated and transported home or to a healthcare facility. Players, coaches, parents/guardians and spectators who are high-risk should seek approval from medical professional prior to attending any activity.

Communicate Potential or Confirmed Exposure . All players, coaches, and officials, are encouraged to self-report to ECPR if they have symptoms of COVID-19, a positive test for COVID-19, or were exposed to someone with COVID-19 within the last 14 days. In addition, players that start to feel ill during an activity should inform parents and/or coach, isolate from others and go home or to a healthcare facility.

Use Cloth Face Coverings - Face coverings are recommended for all not actively participating in the activity (players, officials, parents and spectators), especially when physical distancing is difficult. Any participant or coach who prefers to wear a cloth face covering during an activity is allowed to do so. Face coverings should cover the nose and mouth area at all times when worn.

Maintain Physical Distancing - Coaches and parents should help to maintain social distancing among youth and adults. Spectators should maintain 6 feet distance between others that are not in their household. Players should be spaced at least 6 feet apart whenever possible, such as when participating in warmups, explaining drills or the rules of the game, skill building activities and simulation drills. Players are encouraged to wait in their vehicle with guardians until just before the beginning of a practice, warm-up, or game, instead of forming a group until program starts. It is recommended that individuals ride to activities with persons that live in their same household and limit carpools. Limit the number of players sitting in confined player seating area, such as on benches or in dugouts, by having players spread out into other areas as needed. Coaches and players should vacate field/facility immediately at conclusion of activity to avoid contact with the next group. Parents and spectators are not permitted on the game field/court before, during or after activity. If inclement weather, persons should return to their personal vehicles and not congregate together.

Follow Proper Hygiene and Etiquette All persons should wash hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds frequently. Hand washing, or use of hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol, should be used after using the restroom, before and after eating, and before and after use of any shared equipment. All persons should cover their coughs and sneezes with a tissue or use the inside of their elbow. High fiving, fist/elbow bumps, handshakes, group celebrations and spitting are not allowed.

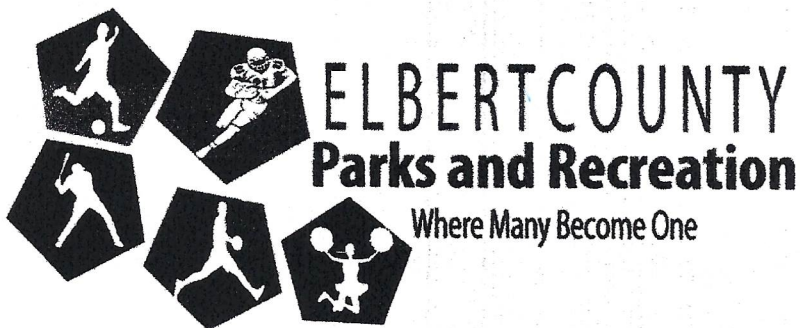
Do not share Personal Belongings and Equipment Players' personal belongings should remain physically separated from other players' personal items. Players are encouraged to bring their own equipment whenever able and clean after use. All personal belongings should be labeled with the owner's name to ensure items not shared. All participants should bring their own water bottle labeled with their name. At no times should players share water bottles. It is recommended that all players bring their own snack; however, if provided to players they should be pre-packaged and handed out to each player ensuring no player shares food. Use of shared objects and equipment should be limited as much as possible. If scrimmage vests are used, they should not be shared and cleaned after each use. At no time should items such as mouth guards or whistles be shared.

Follow Procedures for When Someone Gets Sick Immediately isolate sick person away from others and direct them to be transported home or to a healthcare facility, depending on the severity of the symptoms. Instruct individuals that had direct contact with sick person to go home and follow CDC guidance for community related exposure. Inform persons that they should not return to activities until they have met CDC's criteria to discontinue home isolation. Close off areas used by a sick person to others and do not use areas until they are cleaned and disinfected. Notify persons potentially exposed to a known COVID-19 diagnosis and advise those who had close contact to follow CDC guidance. Respect the safety and privacy of the COVID-19 individual by not sharing name or personal details on that individual when notifying others of potential exposure. Report situation to local health officials

COACHES/INSTRUCTORS In addition, coaches are expected to follow safety protocols, such as those listed below. Recognize signs and symptoms of COVID-19 and follow safety precautions and guidelines. Encourage players to wait in their vehicle with guardians until just before the beginning of a practice, warm-up, or game, instead of forming a group until program starts. Space players at least 6 feet apart whenever possible, such as when participating in warmup, explaining drills or the rules of the game, skill building activities and simulation drills. Design practice transitions to ensure distance between players is maintained. Only allow coaches to set up activities and move equipment to limit contact on equipment. Discourage unnecessary physical contact, such as high fives, handshakes, fist bumps, or hugs. Limit the number of players sitting in confined player seating areas, such as a dugout, by allowing players to spread out into other areas. If informed of confirmed COVID-19 case, contact ECPR and do not share with anyone the individual's name.

ECPR COVID-19 PROTOCOLS ECPR has implemented several strategies to mitigate COVID-19 risks. Stagger schedules and increase time between schedules whenever possible to limit contact between persons as much as possible. Encourage persons to physically distance a minimum of 6 feet from others not in their household. Promote healthy hygiene practices, such as hand washing before and after activities, encouraging persons to cover coughs and sneezes and reminding players to not high five one another. Educate coaches, officials, and staff of all safety protocols. Ask players to not share equipment, such as gloves, helmets, practice vests, water bottles, etc. Expect any organization that uses park facilities to follow these considerations. Follow state guidelines in relation to group gatherings to determine if events can be held. Regularly clean and disinfect park facilities, such as restroom facilities and other indoor areas. Inform others with potential direct contact of confirmed COVID-19 person. Be prepared and follow procedures if someone in the program gets sick. Report any known COVID-19 case to local health officials. Publicize any park facility closures and/or restrictions related to limiting COVID-19 exposure.

All protocols are subject to change pending patron compliance and any new established guidelines



ECPR Soccer & Flag Football COVID-19 Protocols
2020 Season

These measures are put in place as recommendations and guidelines to help curtail and respond to COVID-19. They are also in place to ensure that we can have a safer playing environment and conduct the season. Ultimately, it is up to parents to do what is in their child's best interest.

1. All players will have their own personal water bottles/drinks for games. Teams will clean their areas after games before the next game. ECPR will sanitize team benches in between games.
2. Physical distancing for fans is encouraged for games & practices, as well as, frequent handwashing before and after games/practices. There will be NO BLEACHERS for Soccer or Flag Football games this season. Parents/Fans are encouraged to bring their own chairs and practice physical distancing.
3. Face Coverings are encouraged for parents/fans when physical distancing is not possible. Face Coverings are **strongly encouraged** for people over 60 and those with health conditions at all times.
4. Players exhibiting symptoms including fever or severe cough should not attend practices or games (Parent responsibility). If a player test positive he/she is required to self-quarantine for 10 days or until they get a negative test result, whichever comes first. Coach should be notified who will then notify ECPR Staff for appropriate action and protocol.
5. Parents/Adults who test positive are required to self-quarantine for 10 days or until they test negative, whichever comes first. A parent or adult testing positive that has had contact with a player **requires** the player to either quarantine 10 days or get tested. Coach should be notified who will then notify ECPR Staff for appropriate action and protocol.
6. Parents & Coaches should clean equipment including shin guards, jerseys, balls and other personal equipment before practices and games.
7. Teams will not shake hands after games. Teams will come to their respective side of center circle on the field acknowledging the other team with a clap, salute, or yelling good game in a show of sportsmanship.

It is up to each individual to determine what is best for themselves and their family's health. ECPR encourages everyone to act responsibly for everyone's health during this time.