



The Atlanta Cricket League (ACL) wants to ensure that the league is conducted in a safe and healthy manner by abiding with ALL Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), state, and local guidelines. In addition, USA Cricket has published its “Return to Play” Guidelines which are adapted to ACL’s league.

This document outlines the guidelines which **MUST** be adhered to. These are in addition to the CDC, state, and local guidelines which should be followed before, during and after match by all participants. The umpires will have the authority to enforce these guidelines.

NOTE: Local parks and recreation, city, and county guidelines are in addition to any of the guidelines listed below.

General

- Participation in ACL events is voluntary
- Visit CDC’s site at <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-nCoV/index.html> for guidance on personal hygiene and safety precautions
- Review local parks & recreation guidelines for match play (posted on the ACL website if provided by the authorities) with all participants
- Review USA Cricket’s “Return to Play” Guidelines (posted on the ACL website) with all participants
- STAY HOME if you are sick, possibly sick, experienced any recent respiratory illness, are of “high-risk”, elderly, or immune compromised
- Report any player/team exposure to COVID-19 to the league before match day
- Mandate and ensure all international travelers are quarantined per CDC and local guidelines after arrival
- Include surface disinfectants (e.g., Clorox, Lysol) and hand sanitizers as a part of your kit
- Include temperature check devices as part of your kit
- Provide individual hydration and food in bottles/packaged, do not share community drinks or food
- No spectators are permitted – only the playing team plus one substitute and umpires will be permitted on the field and around it

Before the Match

- Captain should check temperature of all his team players and substitute players before the match. Any player who has a temperature higher than 100.4 F or 38 C must not be allowed to participate in the match or be allowed to be with team near playing ground.
- Set-up teams separately from each other by avoiding the use of dugouts, use bleachers (or alternate seating areas) that allow for social distancing
- Practice with both teams significantly separated from each other
- Conduct the toss with one umpire and two captains in a socially distanced manner – no other players will be allowed - masks are mandatory during toss



During the Match

- Umpires must wear a mask while officiating the game
- Use of surgical gloves while fielding is permitted
- Use of hand sanitizer at any point during the match is permitted
- Players on the field may wear a mask
- Non-playing members and substitutes must always wear a mask e.g., batting team on the bleachers
- Limit celebrations to verbal means and avoid physical contact
- Discussions with team members or umpires must be conducted at a distance of six feet

After the Match

- Congratulate and complement verbally, no physical contact
- Signature on the scoresheets are required, wearing a mask is mandatory while exchanging signatures and gloves are recommended
- Do not conduct a post-game conference on the field or bleachers
- Exit the field and park in a socially distanced manner