

# **COVID-19 PHASE 2 – Guidelines**

## Rationale

The 14-day period during Phase 2 allows for increased team activities as it pertains to skills and drills development and permits schools to use indoor facilities if approved by the school district. Once individual pods of student-athletes have successfully completed Phase 1 and providing that there has not been a significant change in health conditions indicating otherwise, progression to Phase 2 is medically appropriate. Larger groups of student-athletes are permitted during Phase 2 because the individual pods have worked out together without a confirmed case of COVID-19 in a two-week period.

Phase 2 allows the pods from phase 1 to be combined into a pod of 25-30 student-athletes. Studentathletes will be permitted to share sports equipment within their newly formed pod only. Limiting the sharing of equipment to pods will, as in Phase 1, help to control the spread of COVID-19. It is imperative that all sports equipment be cleaned and disinfected in accordance with applicable guidelines.

## Screening

No Additions - follow general guidelines.

## Positive COVID-19 Procedure

No Additions - follow general guidelines.

#### **Workouts**

- 1. Phase 2 allows for increased team activities as it pertains to skills and drills development and permits schools to use indoor facilities if approved by the school district.
- 2. Workouts shall be no more than one hundred twenty (120) minutes in duration and shall include a ten (10) minute warm-up and a ten (10) minute cool down.
- 3. Phase 2 will last two (2) weeks from the date of the first workout.
- 4. Only one workout per day is permitted during Phase 2.
- 5. There must be a minimum of 2 practices for every 7 days totaling 4 practices.
- 6. The maximum number of practices is 6 for every 7 days totaling 12 practices.
- 7. There must be one (1) day of rest per every seven (7) days.
- 8. For indoor workouts, care should be taken to provide good air circulation.
- 9. Weight Room Guidelines.
  - a. Resistance training should be limited to body weight, sub-maximal lifts, and use of resistance bands.
  - b. Maximum lifts should be limited, and power cages should be used for squats and bench presses.

- c. Weight room touch points must be cleaned both before and after use by teams and specific equipment cleaned after each athlete's use.
- d. Appropriate clothing should be worn in the weight room to minimize sweat transmission to surfaces.
- e. Any exposed foam or porous surfaces should be adequately covered.

# Face Coverings

No Additions - follow general guidelines.

# Pods

- 1. The pods from phase 1 can be combined into a pod of 25-30 student-athletes.
- 2. All movements must be tracked to ensure all student-athletes in a given pod are in the same Phase
- 3. For outdoor workouts:
  - a. More than one pod of student-athletes can be in a single area, provided there is twelve (12) to eighteen (18) feet between each pod.
- 4. For indoor workouts:
  - a. The total number of pods permitted will be determined by the size of the area and by calculating the maximum number of student-athletes and coaches that can maintain 6 feet of social distancing at all times.
- 5. For indoor workouts in the weight room:
  - a. The maximum number of student-athletes in a weight training pod is 10.
  - b. The total number of pods permitted will be determined by the size of the area and by calculating the maximum number of student-athletes and coaches that can maintain six (6) feet of social distancing at all times.
- 6. Pods must stay together throughout the entirety of Phase 2.
- 7. Consider using marks on the floor to maintain social distancing for all indoor workouts.

# Sports Equipment

- 1. Balls may be used throughout Phase 2 as part of the workouts.
- 2. Balls can be dribbled, passed, caught, thrown, punted, handed off, etc. within their pods only.
- 3. All other equipment, like sticks, rackets, bats, etc. may be used if they are the student-athletes personal equipment and should not be shared.
- 4. Football & Lacrosse helmets may be worn during Phase 2, but mouthguards are prohibited.
- 5. Field Hockey goalie equipment may be worn, including the helmet during phase 2.
- 6. All sports equipment and touchpoints (e.g., balls, benches, agility cones, ladders, clipboards, etc.) must be cleaned and disinfected between users and after each workout with EPA approved cleaners and disinfectants against COVID-19.

## Locker Rooms/Restrooms

No Additions - follow general guidelines.

# <u>Hygiene</u>

No Additions - follow general guidelines.

## <u>Forms</u>

No Additions - follow general guidelines.