York Region Lions Football

Spring 2022 COVID Protocols Updated April 6, 2022



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Introduction

This document details the Spring 2022 protocols related to COVID for York Region Football. Our plan aligns to the current requirements by the provincial health authority and local regional authorities.

Spring 2022 sees the return of full contact tackle football and full flag programming. There are no limitations in place for spectators or contact tracing.

All programs are run in accordance with Football Ontario guidelines.

Overview of Reporting

- When a player has any symptoms or is sick that player should stay home
- Parents can report an absence via Team Ramp or to the team manager
- If the player is reported as sick, the manager should log on the injury/illness sheet in the team binder
- Players/parents are expected to follow provincial guidelines regarding symptoms and isolation
- There is no contact tracing or pre screenings required at this time

YRFA Responsibilities

- A Safe Sport Officer is not required at this time, as YRFA and the PSO is not under a formal COVID Return to Play Strategy
- Health & Safety Protocols are posted on yrfa.ca for all parents to review and observe

Roles & Responsibilities

- Athletes, coaches and board members will have insurance through Football Ontario
- Parents and players will stay home if they are sick, regardless of practice or game
- There are restrictions on sharing water bottles
- There are no restrictions on:
 - Spectators
 - Field entry/exit
 - Equipment use
 - Contact

Programming Spring 2022

Role	Enter Field	Exit Field	Location
U12, U14	6:30PM	8:30PM	St. Max Kolbe CHS Aurora Monday & Wednesday
U16, U18	7PM	9PM	Shepherds Bush Aurora Tuesdays
U16, U18	7:30PM	9:30PM	Denison HS Newmarket Thursdays
Flag	6PM	7PM	Shepherds Bush Aurora Tuesdays
Flag	6:30PM	7:30PM	Denison HS Newmarket Thursdays

Assigned Entry Times – Fall Tackle



Role	Entry Time (Arrive at Field)	Field	Enter Field	Exit Field
Atom Athletes & Coaches	6:15PM	St. Max	6:30PM	8PM
Peewee Athletes & Coaches	6:15PM	St. Max	6:30PM	8:30PM
Bantam Athletes & Coaches	6:15PM	St. Max	6:30PM	8:30PM
JV Athletes + Coaches	6:15PM	Field tbc	6:30PM	8:30PM
Varsity Athletes + Coaches	6:15PM	Field tbd	6:30PM	8:30PM



- YRFA will not supply masks to players, volunteers or coaches
- YRFA will not supply hand sanitizer
- Masking is a personal choice, in line with provincial directives

Registration

- All registration will be completed online and in advance. There will be no exchange of paperwork at the field.
- Method of payment is online.
- Participants are responsible for their FO fees.
- Both flag and tackle programs are governed by league constitutions – which allow players from any area.



Tracing & Screening



- Tracing protocols are no longer required in the province of Ontario
- Tracing protocols are no longer required by Football Ontario
- Screenings are no longer required in the province of Ontario
- Screenings are no longer required by Football Ontario

Compliance – Embedded in Registration

- Parents/participants agree to compliance by way of the YRFA registration system. This reduces the amount of paper files required, and allows YRFA to easily pull data sets.
- Included now in the YRFA RAMP Registration System:

Ontario Football Alliance and its affiliated leagues, and clubs (collectively the Organization) require disclosure of exposure or illness in order to safeguard the health and safety of all participants and limit the further spread of COVID 19.

This declaration of compliance will be kept safely, and personal information will not be disclosed unless required by law or with your consent. An individual (or an individual's parent/guardian) who is unable to agree to the terms outlined here is not permitted to enter the Organization's facilities or participate in the Organization's activities, programs or services.

I, being the individual named in this registration or the individual's parent/guardian, by submitting this form, hereby acknowledge and agree to the terms outlined above.

Click – Yes (proceed), No (do not proceed)

Included in registration: athlete name, form completed by, email address, club.

Consent – Embedded in Registration

- Informed consent form has been integrated into the YRFA RAMP Registration System.
- This informed consent includes:

I (athlete name) understand that I am practicing or playing in an activity sponsored by the York Region Football Association.

We are currently permitting those athletes to participant in this activity. This waiver must be agreed to in this registration before any use of our facilities is made.

Individuals who have traveled outside Canada within the previous 14 days or who are sick or who have been in contact with someone who is suspected of having COVID 19 must not use the facilities or participate.

This access may be withdrawn at anytime based on Regional Health Authority recommendations.

By agreeing to this waiver, you are aware that you (or your child) will be using facilities at their own risk. You (or your athlete) will be required to sanitize their hands prior to beginning or at the end of any activity. You confirm that you (or your child) have not travelled outside Canada for the past 14 days and have not been in contact with anyone suspected of being ill.

I will sign in at the tracing desk prior to each session, and will sanitize my hands when directed to do so (upon arriving and exiting the facilities)

Emergency Action Plan

In the event of COVID disclosure

The confidential disclosure of exposure or infection will activate the YRFA COVID protocol as of Spring 2022

- Parents will be asked to report absences to team managers
- If illness is disclosed, the manager will mark it down on the illness/injury sheet in the team binder
- Parents will be reminded in weekly emails not to send sick players to practice or games
- In the event of a COVID diagnosis, players are asked to observe provincial guidelines on isolation prior to returning to activity
- At all times, YRFA confidentiality protocols must be adhered to

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