



SLL COVID-19 SAFETY GUIDELINES SPRING 2021

In light of ongoing safety protocols around COVID-19, Scarsdale Little League (SLL) will continue to follow recommendations from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), the Westchester Department of Health, New York State, the Village of Scarsdale and Little League International.

All SLL participants (players, coaches and coordinators) are required to sign the Village's Liability Waiver. In addition, all SLL players, coaches, coordinators, parents and spectators must adhere to the following safety guidelines:

GENERAL GUIDELINES

- All participants (players, coaches, coordinators, umpires) must wear masks at all times on and off the field, subject to each player's tolerance to wear a mask.
- The mask requirement is a condition of SLL's field usage with the Village of Scarsdale and Scarsdale Schools and is not optional. If at any point a player needs a mask break, they can step away at a safe distance and remove their mask.
- All participants are encouraged to wash their hands and use hand sanitizer frequently.
- All participants should socially distance, maintaining a six-foot distance, whenever possible.
- Participants are asked to monitor daily health symptoms and if any individual (player, coach, coordinator, spectator or umpire) experiences a fever of 100.4 or higher or any symptoms of COVID-19, they must refrain from participating and should not return until directed to do so by a medical professional.
- Any SLL participant who experiences a known exposure to COVID-19 and/or is required to quarantine by the Westchester Department of Health will not be permitted to participate until directed to do so by a medical professional.

ON-FIELD GUIDANCE

Player Safety

- Coaches and coordinators should encourage players to spread out inside and outside the dugout and along the baselines as much as possible.
- When the ball is not in play, on-field players/baserunners are encouraged to maintain social distancing.

Personal Contact

- Coaches should discourage all but essential contact necessary to play the game.
- No handshakes, high fives or group celebrations.
- No pre- or post-game meetings or line-up exchanges.
- No gum or sunflower seeds. No spitting in the dugout or anywhere on the field.
- No shared snacks or drinks.

Equipment/Gear

- All players must bring their own bats, helmets, gloves and catcher's gear (as appropriate). Younger grade players will be permitted to share bats, as needed.
- Players are encouraged to clean their own personal equipment after each practice/game.

Coach/Coordinator/Umpire Safety

- Coaches, coordinators and umpires must wear masks off the field or when social distancing isn't possible.
- Umpires are encouraged to maintain a safe social distance from players.

Spectator Rules

- All spectators must maintain proper social distancing (i.e., 6 feet).
- Spectators are encouraged to bring their own chairs and/or stand on the sidelines.
- Spectators should not retrieve foul balls.