



## **2021 Season Covid-19 Safety** **Protocols for Players and Spectators:**

Participants for all sports must wear facial coverings on the bench or sidelines at all times and in any huddles or time-outs from active play. Participants should take frequent facial covering breaks when they are out of proximity to other players, using caution to avoid touching the front or inside of the face covering by using the ties or ear loops to remove and replace. This requirement applies to all spectators and chaperones, coaches, staff, referees, umpires, and other officials. ([Ma.gov/MA Reopening Standards - updated 3/22/2021](#))

- Sportsmanship should continue in a touchless manner – no handshakes/slaps/fist bumps. ([Ma.gov/MA Reopening Standards - updated 3/22/2021](#))

**DYL further clarifies:** Gaiters are acceptable. Coaches should set an example and be diligent in wearing a mask at all times. Please encourage players to keep their masks over their noses and mouths. Boys will wear a mask under their helmets but should wear a mask when not wearing a helmet.

### **Additionally:**

- All players will be required to have their own water bottles labeled with their names. Water bottles should be kept in or near player bags to avoid confusion.
- Players will refrain from sharing water bottles or equipment at any time.
- On the player sidelines as well as the spectator areas, please maintain the suggested social distance of 3 - 6 feet apart when possible.
- Hand sanitizer will be provided in all coaching bags. Players may request the sanitizer as needed and are welcome to keep their own sanitizer in their personal bags for their use.

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