



ST. JOHN'S MINOR 'A' BASEBALL ASSOCIATION

COVID-19: Game Play Modifications

- 🚫 Rally Cap and 9U sessions will be 1.25 hours in length
- 🚫 House League practices will be 1.5 hours in length
- 🚫 Fields that are hosting only one game that night will have games of 6 innings in length or 2.5 hours
- 🚫 Fields that are hosting multiple games in one night will have games of 6 innings in length or 2 hours. No new inning can commence after 1.75 hours and players must start to leave the field after 2 hours regardless of the point in the game.
- 🚫 Proper physical distancing (2 meters or 6 feet) MUST be adhered to at all times
- 🚫 Abide by any Covid-19 related signage posted at all baseball facilities you visit throughout the course of the season
- 🚫 Players for each team are required to enter and leave through separate designated gates. Away team (1st listed team) should enter/exit gate closest to 3rd base dugout and Home team (2nd listed team) should enter/exit gate closest to 1st dugout
- 🚫 Dugouts are not to be used during Rally Cap sessions or all practices in other divisions. All gear should be placed at the chosen designated spot or pole and remain there until required for use. (ex. gloves, helmets, bats, etc.)
- 🚫 For all other games, there is a maximum of 3 players allowed in the dugout at a time. Coaches will be allowed to stay in foul territory throughout the game. Space will be provided outside the fence on the 1st base and 3rd base lines. Social distancing markings will be provided.
- 🚫 No spitting, gum or sunflower seeds permitted.
- 🚫 No sharing of food or drink permitted. Please bring your own water bottles.
- 🚫 Players, parents, guardians, and spectators must vacate the playing fields and surrounding area immediately following the conclusion of their game or practice (15 minutes MAXIMUM), to allow time for the sanitizing of equipment and arrival of the next group.
- 🚫 Umpires will call balls and strikes from behind the mound.
- 🚫 On a tag play, once the defensive player applies the tag, they must vacate the area around the opposing player immediately

- Ⓢ A runner on third base cannot steal home or score on a passed ball or wild pitch.
- Ⓢ No mound visits by catcher or coach. If the coach wishes to change a pitcher or other position, he/she may call time, walk out to the foul line closest to their dugout, and make changes from that position
- Ⓢ No congratulatory handshakes, high fives, fist bumps, etc.
- Ⓢ In house league play, there will only be 2 catchers allowed per game. Coaches/Health & Safety Coordinators must disinfect the gear between uses
- Ⓢ Coaches in 11U and older will be provided with their own team gear to bring to each game. This will limit the contact between players. Bats and gear must be disinfected between uses.
- Ⓢ SJMBA reserves the right to make changes to this document, as necessary.