

## **Covington Jackson River Sports Complex COVID-19 Opening Plan**

The Covington Parks and Recreation Department is ready to open up our Jackson River Sports Complex and our other athletic facilities. Please adhere to the following facility guidelines.

## Facility Guidelines:

- We will play on The Complex Fields A, B, C, D, and E
  - Other fields around the community would be utilized as needed following this same set of guidelines.
- Social gathering around the concrete area of the roundhouse building between fields will not be permitted.
  - Please remain at your specified field and not mingle to other fields at the complex during the time of play.
- All Spectators, Parents, and Guardians will be asked to set from the bleachers down the first and third baselines, as well as behind the outfield sport panel fencing.
  - o Seating must remain at 6 ft. apart.
  - All spectators should remain at a 6 ft. distance from other spectators unless you are family.
- Concessions will operate under the following guidelines:
  - o There will be 6 ft. line markers to designate where to stand
  - O There will be a limit on how many purchasers can stand in line which will be only 5 at a given time.
  - Concessions Staff: 1<sup>st</sup> staff member will handle monies and food orders only.
  - Concessions Staff: 2<sup>nd</sup> staff member will handle preparation of the food only.
- Restroom facilities will be limited to 3 guests at a time
  - These will be sanitized every hour.
- Face coverings are highly encouraged at all facilities.
- Teams will be required to leave the baseball/softball complex fields immediately following their game, to another part of the park, and continue social distancing.
  - This must take place before the next sets of teams can enter the baseball/softball complex fields.
  - Teams coming in for their game must let the players from the previous game clear the complex fields before entering.
  - Spectators must allow spectators from the previous game to clear the complex fields before entering for their game.

## Game Guidelines:

- Teams arriving at a dugout for the first time are to wipe down hard surface areas (such as benches, bat racks, etc.). This will help comply with the CDC recommendation of a two-step process for cleaning and disinfecting.
- Parents/Coaches are encouraged to supply their players with antibacterial wipes and hand sanitizer for disinfecting and cleaning hands and equipment between innings.
- We encourage a 6 ft. social distancing between players while in the dugout, so if players need to set behind the dugouts or in the bleachers beside the dugout to achieve this that will be permitted.
- Managers meeting at home plate should be limited to one coach from each team plus the umpires. No players at the plate meeting.
- Players are allowed to wear face-coverings if they choose.
- Teams must clean their dugout of all trash and other items after each game, and wipe down hard surfaces (such as benches, bat racks, etc.)
- No shared equipment will be allowed during the event. This includes bats, gloves, helmets, and catcher gear.
- No team water coolers will be allowed. Players should have their own individual cooler or container with their name labeled on that item.
- There will be no customary handshake line at the end of each game.

