



## Sturbridge Girls Softball League

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**In accordance with guidance provided by State DPH, DESE, and local BOH, Sturbridge Girls Softball League remains committed to adhering to all recommended policies and procedures related to reopening recreational sports during Covid-19.**

### **ATTESTATION FORM:**

As a determined "Moderate" risk level sport, Sturbridge Girls Softball League (SGSL) has created a required attestation form clearly outlining policies and guidelines for participation. This form shall provide education, guidance and affirmation to adhere to all policies outlined by DPH. This form is a requirement for all volunteer coaches and players. The form can be viewed here: <https://forms.gle/LEFP6fXSjZZrqpPK9>

### **GUIDELINES:**

Guidelines for safe play, and required policies shall be emailed to all participants, and will be available on the SGSL website.

### **SAFETY STANDARDS:**

- All players, coaches and spectators will be required to wear face masks. Should a mask break be indicated, all persons shall ensure that they are out of proximity to other individuals. Back up masks shall be available to all players and coaches.
- Sanitizer shall be provided for hand hygiene, and disinfecting wipes will be provided for equipment and surfaces as needed.
- Coaches will be required to space players 6' apart in dugouts.

- Equipment shall not be shared. In the event a common piece of equipment is utilized, the item shall be sanitized in between usage.
- Practice and games shall only take place outdoors.
- Families and Coaches will be advised of transportation guidelines recommended by DPH: If traveling to a game or to practice with non-household or non-immediate family members, all parties should wear masks and car windows shall be open.
- Players will be asked to arrive, play, and leave in an effort to reduce capacity, and to maintain safe standards at practices and games.
- Games and practices shall be staggered to reduce traffic/crowds and to limit spectators on fields or in parking lots.
- Sportsmanship shall remain touchless.
- Teams shall dedicate practice days, times, and game days and times to ensure limited capacity on fields.
- Policies of SGSL shall be shared with opposing teams for games to ensure policies of SGSL are understood by opponents prior to game.

#### **COOPERATION WITH HEALTH OFFICIALS:**

Sturbridge Girls Softball League agrees to cooperate and participate with all local and State DPH officials guidelines for safety compliance as well as should the need for contact tracing efforts be determined necessary. Coaches will have current and up-to-date rosters, and updated practice/game participant schedules.

#### **HEALTH POLICY:**

All players, families, and coaches shall adhere to the following:

- If there is household sickness, they will not join practice or a game.
- If someone has been determined to be a close contact, they will not join a game.
- If someone has been diagnosed with Covid-19, they will not join a practice or a game.

Should SGSL be notified of a positive Covid-19 case, they will notify the Sturbridge BOH for assistance with quarantine, contact tracing, and isolation protocols.

#### **GAME SCHEDULE/PRACTICE:**

All coaches shall submit a detailed practice/game schedule for their team to SGSL Board. All coaches shall have updated player contact information, as well as updated Assistant Coaches information. Current recreation practice schedule includes up to two practices per week, and up to two games per week.

**NOTIFICATION:**

SGSL utilizes email, social media, website, and a softball software "GameChanger" to contact families regarding updates, weather cancellations, Covid-19 protocols, scheduling, etc. Families shall be notified of changes or updates as soon as applicable utilizing all necessary methods of communication. SGSL shall have current telephone, address and email addresses for families at all times for all players and volunteers.

**LEAGUE POLICY:**

SGSL is committed to providing a safe, fun, and positive experience to all players. We require respect from all players, family members, spectators, and volunteers. Should concerns arise, we ask that those concerns be addressed by emailing the SGSL Board at [sturbridgegirlssoftball@gmail.com](mailto:sturbridgegirlssoftball@gmail.com)

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