

Smoky Mountain Classic 2020

COVID-19 Regulations

The following regulations will be in place for the Smoky Mountain Christmas Classic 2020 until further notice. These regulations do not guarantee safety, but they are meant to encourage safe practices that will maximize our ability to engage in sports competition during the COVID-19 pandemic.

1. **At contests all coaches, players, team personnel, officials, administrators, and fans must have their temperatures checked before entering the facility.**
 - i) No one whose temperature measures 100.4 or greater may be admitted.
 - (a) Any coach, player, and team personnel refused admission under this regulation may not return to participation until providing documentation that he/she has tested negative for COVID-19 or obtained a medical evaluation by a physician verifying that COVID-19 is not the cause of his/her fever.
 - (b) For spectator screening areas, if a line forms or is anticipated to form, ensure 6 or more feet of separation between persons or household groups
2. **At each contest the following symptom checklist shall be posted prominently at the spectator entrance(s) instructing that anyone who is experiencing any of these symptoms during the preceding 7 days must not be admitted:**
 - Fever
 - Cough
 - Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
 - Shaking chills
 - Chest pain, pressure, or tightness with exercise
 - Fatigue or difficulty with exercise
 - Racing heart rate • Unusual dizziness
 - Loss of taste or smell
 - Sore throat
 - Nausea, vomiting, or diarrhea
 - Unusual rash or painful discoloration of fingers or toes
3. **We will limit fan attendance to a number that will allow adequate social distancing** (e.g., 1/4 to 1/3 of typical seating capacity, depending on the characteristics of the particular venue) and should mark/designate bleachers or seats in order to promote social distancing among spectators. Member schools must facilitate compliance with any applicable state or local order limiting gathering sizes for participation in public events.
4. **All fans are required to wear facial coverings at all times while onsite (except children under age 2) and maintain social distancing** (six feet, or the equivalent of two empty seats between themselves and other fans) from anyone other than those living in the same household.
5. **The tournament staff will engage in frequent cleaning and sanitizing of restroom facilities, game benches, and scorer's table during the event.**
6. **Cheerleaders will not be able to cheer at this event.**

GAME PROCEDURES

Pre-Game Procedures

- While it has always been customary to shake hands as a part of the pre-game conferences and activities, this should not take place during this event.
- Pre-game conferences will take place with fewer officials, coaches and staff than in years past. Refer to the sport specific guidelines for details.

Team Benches

- Social Distancing is encouraged for bench personnel. Schools should carefully consider the role of all bench personnel and eliminate those who are non-essential.
- Players and coaches must wear a facial coverings during the game unless they are on the court. Players and coaches should provide their own water, sports drinks, etc.

Officials Table / Press Box

- Scorer's table will be limited to essential personnel to ensure social distancing. The only person permitted at the table will be the clock keeper.

Post-Game Procedures

- During this event these should not take place, handshakes, hugs, etc. will not be part of postgame procedures.

Dressing Facilities

- There will be no dressing facilities available, so players and coaches need to arrive dressed and ready to play.

Contest Officials

- Officials are not responsible for monitoring activities on the sidelines, such as social distancing, hand washing, symptoms of illness, handshakes, or other such issues. The responsibility of monitoring remains with school personnel.