

WV Patriot Baseball (WVPB) Tournaments

COVID-19 RETURN TO PLAY “BEST PRACTICES” (ALL SITES)

- 1.) Scorecards will be eliminated to minimize contact. Each team shall text the score and pitching innings per player to the tournament director at 304-669-1979. Any discrepancies will be addressed by the Tournament Director.
- 2.) There will be one change to the time limit of games to help comply with COVID-19 best practices and recommended CDC guidelines and allow for a short time delay between games. If an inning ends and there is 10 minutes or less left in the time limit, the game will be over. (this will apply to all games except Championship game)
Ex.) If home team is winning and has got the visiting team out and there are 10 minutes or less left in the time limit, the game is over. If home team is winning and batting with 10 minutes or less left, the game is over and will be called at that point. If the home team is losing, and the inning started with more than 10 minutes, home team will be able to finish the at bat. **THIS IS NOT A DROP DEAD TIME RULE**
- 3.) After each game in lieu of handshakes, each team shall line up on their respective baseline and tip their cap to the opposing team minimizing player contact
- 4.) Fields 1, 2 and 4 at the Bridgeport Rec Complex have live web cams available for viewing at www.connect-bridgeport.com or www.wvpatriotbaseball.com.com
- 5.) Batting Cages, where available, will be open to teams. We ask teams to be respectful as others also want to use the cages. After using the batting cages, teams should exit the facility (do not hang out around dugouts prior to your game) and warm up in the staging areas where available.
- 6.) Once a team has completed play they must leave the park. There will be no lingering to watch or scout teams. (No team meetings will be allowed after games on field)
- 7.) Players should plan ahead and bring their own personal drinks. No communal water coolers will be permitted.
- 8.) All open space will be utilized for warmup areas so teams can spread out far and wide. Staging areas will be marked at each facility as available.
- 9.) Players may wear any Personal Protection Equipment deemed necessary by their parents as long as such items do not compromise the safety of any and all participants in the game.
- 10.) Sunflower seeds, gum and other items that require spitting shall be prohibited.
- 11.) Coaches/Parents/Fans Screening – coaches shall monitor their teams and request that ALL PARENTS/FANS self-monitor pursuant to CDC guidelines. We encourage you to bring your own hand sanitizer, disinfectants, etc. Though not required, all players, coaches and spectators are encouraged to wear PPE including face coverings.
- 12.) Tournament staff/Umpires will be monitored pursuant to CDC guidelines.
- 13.) We understand this is a serious illness to some. With this said, we request those with chronic disease or those who are immune-compromised, please stay home and not attend our events at least until your doctor tells you you’re safe.
- 14.) Any person who is experiencing symptoms of sickness will be prohibited from attending the event/venue of play. Please use common sense!
- 15.) Finally, anyone who doesn’t feel safe has the right to stay home.