



## Arsenal Colorado / Fort Collins Soccer Complex Procedures and Protocols

Arsenal Colorado and all participants hold a large responsibility to ensure that COVID-19 protocol is followed and that we adhere to all state and local requirements. This means there will be many changes to the normal soccer atmosphere. We encourage everyone to embrace the opportunity to play soccer rather than dwell on any requirements that may be deemed inconvenient. While risk of exposure to COVID-19 can't be completely eliminated, Arsenal Colorado has created this protocol to maximize the safety of everyone involved and comply with Larimer County and Colorado Soccer Association guidance. Each player, parent, coach, referee, staff member must abide by these requirements as they are non-negotiable. Any individual or team not willing to do so should choose not to participate in the game.

### Facility Procedure and Complex Setup

- Complex will be divided into zones and to comply with Larimer County guidelines people should enter and exit the correct zone for their game without crossing into other zones.
- Participants are asked to follow specified walking patterns (please see the field map) approaching and exiting fields for safest pedestrian traffic flow.
- No on-site vendors will be provided. Please ensure each participant brings enough water for the duration of their game.
- Teams are asked to **arrive to warm up no more than 30 minutes before play** and to vacate the field / complex at the conclusion of their game. In order to comply with Larimer County guidelines remaining at the fields is not allowed.

### Game Day Setup

- Teams should arrive no more than 30 minutes before their scheduled match, and not enter the field area until the previous team has completely vacated the space. This is important to comply with Larimer County guidelines.
- Only officially rostered staff and appropriate club staff may be on the sidelines along with any one team.
- Coaches and players on the sidelines should keep a distance of at least six feet from each other whenever possible. Team benches should not be utilized.
- Injured players who will not be playing are asked to not attend games.
- Once a game is completed, teams must move away from the field efficiently. All participants must leave the complex after the completion of their match in order to comply with Larimer County restrictions regarding gathering sizes.
- Teams will set up on opposite sides of the field. Home teams will occupy the west or north sideline. Visiting team will occupy the east or south sideline. Spectators, where allowed, will occupy the same sideline as their team, only in designated spectator areas.

- **To help with gathering restrictions we suggest that when possible only ONE spectator per player attend games with a maximum of TWO spectators allowed per player at youth games.** Arsenal Colorado has been given strict guidelines in order to utilize our complex in a safe manner. Two spectators may escort the player to the correct field and remain throughout the game. All spectators must keep a distance of at least six feet from others who are from different households at all times and may only watch from designated spectator areas. If this restriction is not respectfully observed or if Colorado or Larimer County guidance is once again changed, Arsenal Colorado will be forced to revert to a limit of one spectator per player.

## Masks

- Players are **strongly encouraged** to wear masks at all times when not playing or warming up. This includes walking to the field, pregame talks, as substitutes on the sideline, and anywhere at the complex when not actively playing soccer.
- Coaches and sideline personnel are **strongly encouraged** to wear masks at all times, and always when not able to maintain a social distance of 6 feet.
- Referees are **strongly encouraged** to wear masks at all times when not refereeing and to follow Colorado Soccer Association and USSF guidance regarding mask usage.
- All spectators, where allowed, and any other individuals at the complex are **strongly encouraged** to wear masks at all times, and always when not able to maintain a social distance of 6 feet.

## Participants

- All applicable [Arsenal Colorado training protocol](#) should be adhered to for game days.
- Each club should ensure that all participating members have been provided and agree to follow the [Player](#), [Coach](#), [Parent](#), and [Referee](#) Responsibilities authored by Colorado Soccer Association.

These requirements are vital in order to comply with state of Colorado, Larimer County, and Colorado Soccer Association guidance. All protocol must be met to ensure a safe and enjoyable experience. Non-compliance from a team's staff, players, or spectators may result in forfeiture of the game.

Please do not hesitate to contact us at [office@soccerfortcollins.org](mailto:office@soccerfortcollins.org) if you have questions about the above restrictions.

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