

# 2021 MEPL

## COVID-19 Pandemic Response

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Dear Club Directors & Coaches,

The MEPL has been monitoring and will continue to monitor the COVID-19 pandemic as we begin the 2021 season. The measures we are taking we hope will ensure every participant the most successful experience possible.

The MEPL will follow both local and federal CDC guidelines. Below you will find the tournament protocol. Please take notice that as state guidelines and restrictions change; protocol will be updated accordingly.

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### PLAYING WAVES:

- Morning pools will begin play at 7:30am.
  - Doors open to coaches and players **ONLY** at 6:30am.
  - Spectators can begin entering at 7:00am.
- Afternoon pools will begin play at 2:00pm.
  - Doors open to coaches and players **ONLY** at 1:00pm.
  - Spectators can begin entering at 1:30pm.

Early start times and gaps between playing waves allow KIVA Sports center to be cleaned properly and for the morning wave to empty out before the afternoon.

Temperatures MAY be taken at the door at some facilities for ALL persons entering the building. Anyone with a temperature higher than 100.4 will not be allowed to enter.



## SPECTATORS:

- 1 person per rostered athlete or coach will be allowed to attend.
- Rosters will be used for contact tracing.
- Rosters must be entered fully on AES to participate.

## Face Mask

- Must be worn at all time: this applies to anyone allowed entrance into the facility. Players do not have to wear a mask when actively playing on the court, however, it is encouraged.
- Coaches and team personal will have to wear a mask while on the bench.
- All refing teams will have to wear masks, including the down refs.

## ADMISSIONS

- Cost of admission is \$10.00 per person, per day.
- The increase in price covers increased door staff, cleaning supplies, and extra COVID related costs.
- As numbers decline and COVID restrictions lift and the opportunity for more spectators arise. The price of admission will decrease back to the original \$6.00 per person.

## WORK TEAMS

- All work teams **MUST** wear a mask while working, including down refs.
- Table crew will consist of only two persons.
  - One person for the scoresheet
  - One person for flip score and Libero
- Non-working crew will need to be seated in the building or with their parents.
- Work teams will have to supply their own pens, pencils, and erasers.
- Two balls and disinfecting wipes will be available at the score table. After each time-out and set; balls need to be cleaned and/or switched.



### **CAPTAINS MEETING & WARM-UPS.**

- Captains meeting will take place between a rostered coach and the up ref only. No down ref or player shall participate.
- Warm-up time will be 2-4-4. Two minutes shared, then four minutes for each team; serving is included in the four minutes.
- Team not warming up will be permitted to shag balls. We would prefer the team on the court to shag, instead of other players and or parents.

### **GAME PLAY:**

- Players and staff on the bench must wear facemask.
- Visiting team calls the flip. Visiting team will be listed on the score table for each match.
- No handshakes will take place before or after the match.
- Teams will not switch sides, including in the third set.
- If a third set needs to be played, the coaches will participate in the coin flip. No player is allowed to participate in a meeting.
- Matches will be played best of three sets to 25. No cap.
- Third set if needed will be played to 15. No cap.

### **CONCESSION STANDS:**

- Limited warm food will be served at the concession stand. Drinks, bagged food, and snacks will be available for purchase.

