

**WINTER 2021-2022 SAFETY PROTOCOLS & EXPECTATIONS
BASKETBALL & FUTSAL (INDOOR SOCCER)**

All policies are subject to change

Basketball & Futsal (Indoor Soccer)

Spectators

1. TWO spectators per family
2. Spectator must pre-register before game day
3. Registration email sent every Monday with game reminders
4. Spectator will be required to check in at the gym door
5. Spectators cannot swap with others during the game
6. Players must leave with the spectator they arrived with
7. Athens YMCA families that have a membership to the Y can use the child watch center during games

Spectator Registration

1. A registration link will be sent on Monday of each week during the season.
2. Families can only register one spectator each game.

Text Message Notification System

1. Automatic enrollment at the conclusion of registration
2. A text will notify players, cheerleaders, and spectators when to enter the facility, on game updates etc.
3. Everyone must wait outside of the facility. We cannot allow people to congregate in open areas of the YMCA.
4. Texts will only be sent to the number assigned to the spectator registration.
5. All game day updates will be texted to the number assigned to the registration.
6. Link made available on the Youth Website and Athletic Website. Code to enroll is released through email.

Entering the Facility Before Games

1. Do NOT enter until text message notification
2. One game per time frame for each gym
3. Bleachers for spectators. No camping chairs or other chairs allowed in gyms.
4. Sanitize all equipment 5 minutes before each game

Exiting the Facility After Games

1. All players, cheerleaders and spectators must exit the gym immediately after each game.

2. Everyone will exit through side doors to the outside of the facility.
3. Game communication will take place outside this season.
4. Everyone will exit:
 - a. New Gym through the front lobby
 - b. Big Gym via the side doors leading to the sidewalk
5. Please be prepared for cold weather.

What to Expect on Game Days

1. Upon entering:
 - a. Players go to their coach
 - b. Spectators find a spot on a bleacher or an area to stand
2. Distance if possible
 - a. Please be courteous of others
3. Beginning of the season: confusion and nervous
4. Mid-season: feet grounded and feel comfortable
5. Coaches calling players by name
 - a. Not singling out

Sanitization

1. 5 minutes before each game
2. No one allowed in the gym during this time
3. Equipment and Facility:
 - a. Bleachers
 - b. Basketballs
 - c. Gym padding
 - d. Table
 - e. Walls
 - f. Doors
 - g. Water Fountains

Player & Cheerleader Expectations

1. Be goofy, have fun
2. Confusion
3. Sloppy at first
4. Emotional
5. Make mistakes
6. Develop over season
 - a. Some faster than others
7. Learn a lot
8. Make friends

Spectator Expectations

1. Arrive to games on time!
2. Cheer! Don't coach
3. Support staff and referee
4. Expect missed calls
5. Follow all safety and game day policies.
6. Share frustration 24 hours after game
 - a. Sleep on it before sharing

Coach Expectations

1. Coach every player on team
2. Manage player game time
3. Coach and correct mistakes
4. Assign players to positions
5. Discipline

Referee Expectations

1. Game managers
2. Call games based on realistic age expectations
3. Miss calls
4. YMCA Staff
5. Help develop players over the season
6. *Please do not approach a ref before, during, or after a game*

Stats & Clock

1. The staff member responsible for the stat sheets is responsible for:
 - a. Points scored
 - b. Points allowed—how we break ties
 - c. Individual and team fouls
 - d. Game time
 - e. Jump ball
2. The staff member operating the clock is responsible for score and time management
3. Staff will make mistakes. Please approach the table during a timeout or halftime if a mistake has not been corrected.

Basketball Playoffs

1. End of the season tournament (Feb. 14-19)
2. Single-elimination
 - a. Your team loses, you are out of the tournament

3. Highly competitive and energetic atmosphere
4. Seeded by Win-Loss Record
 - a. Tie breaker is Points Allowed (DEFENSE 1st)
5. Schedule released the weekend before
6. Game setup and operation will be the same as the regular season.

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