

Licking Summer Camp

Basketball Social Distancing Policies

We will implement the following policies and rules modifications to meet local and state recommendations for social distancing. We researched numerous organizations and the policies they are implementing for modified resumption of basketball competition. If precautions are followed, some studies are showing a basketball game with these proactive policies between healthy young people has a very low risk of Covid infection. However, we understand the right for each individual player, coach and parent to make a personal decision on safety. Health is always the number one priority. We feel that with the following policies in place, the risk/benefit factor allows for the resumption of basketball competition.

1. Follow all local and state guidelines for facilities and events.
2. An e-mail will be sent to all teams and officials/referees in the week leading up to an event. The notice will include the camp social distancing policies.
3. Take proactive steps in creating social distancing environments, where possible. Inspect designated seating and viewing areas for fans. Create one-way entry and exit gates where possible, to direct foot traffic.
4. Teams will be assigned a bench for the entire game. Teams will not rotate benches.
5. Players and coaches will maintain social distancing of 6 feet during time outs and between halves.
6. Players, coaches and officials will maintain social distancing during pre-game and in-game conferences.
7. Pre-game and post-game handshakes between teams will not be allowed.
8. Only officials, players and coaches will be allowed in designated play and sideline areas.
9. All player bench seating and standing areas will be 6 feet apart.
10. Each player and coach will supply their own bottle for hydration purposes and bottles will not be shared. Public community water coolers and drinking fountains will not be available for participants or spectators.
11. Spectators will maintain 6 feet of separation in bleacher and sideline areas with the exception of immediate family members. No congregation by a group of more than 10 family members will be allowed.
12. One team will provide a sanitized ball to be used for the entire game. The ball will be sanitized during each time out.
13. There will be no team celebratory rituals that violate social distancing spacing.
14. Each coach will inform each of his/her players that they are not to attend if they are experiencing a cough, shortness of breath, difficulty breathing, or at least two of the following symptoms: chills, shaking with chills, muscle pain, headache, sore throat, and loss of taste or smell.
15. Spectators will be informed at the gate by posted sign that they are not to enter the playing venue if they are experiencing a cough, shortness of breath, difficulty breathing, or at least two of the following symptoms: chills, shaking with chills, muscle pain, headache, sore throat, and loss of taste or smell.
16. Spectators will be encouraged to wear face masks.
17. Game officials will be encouraged to wear gloves and face masks during all games. Hand activated whistles will be available for official use.

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