



2021 Captain's Information

The Brampton Volleyball League considers the safety of our members and community partners to be of paramount importance. As such, as we look towards a fully re-opened Ontario and its effects on recreational sports organizations like our own, BVL has developed and implemented detailed directives on how we can effectively manage our 'Return to Play' objectives. A COVID-19 Oversight Group has been assembled, acting as the first point of contact for league members, community partners, and City officials, etc. and a thorough list of COVID-19 protocols has been compiled for reference/adherence, which can be found here:

<http://www.bramptonvolleyball.com/media/documents/BVL%20Covid-19%20Response%20Plan.pdf> .

We've made a few changes for this season to increase the safety of our members and comply with Public Health guidelines.

Attendance at games - First and foremost if you feel sick or have been in contact with someone who is sick, **you must stay home.**

Masks – While not required outdoors we do encourage use to and from the courts and when you're not able to adequately distance. You are also welcome to but not required to wear a face covering on the court.

Active Screening – All teams are required to submit a *Participation & Contact Tracing Sheet* at the start of each night. This can be done in advance and brought to the courts with you or forms will be available at the courts.

Game Times – To accommodate screening form completion as well as minimize the number of players on the courts, game times will be slightly staggered. The first game of the night will run 10 minutes longer to assist with completing the screening and we'll have a buffer in between first and second rounds so that the first group can exit the courts before the new group arrives. Please check the times closely on the schedule as the start times will be a little different than you're used to seeing. Please also do not arrive more than 10 minutes before your game and when you arrive please stay on the pathway or close to the Chalet.

Alignment – Given the shortened season and to keep cross over between team cohorts to a minimum we will not be running an alignment round this season. Teams will be ranked to the best of our ability at the start of the season and we will be running two week rounds with teams moving up or down after each session so that if you are in

Legal Teams – Emphasis this season is on fun and safely getting back to the game. To ensure compliance with waivers and contact tracing, we're suspending the regular season exception that allows borrowing of players not on your active roster. Similarly, to make it easier to field a team without borrowing players, we are eliminating the point penalties if teams are short a single female player. I.e. 6's divisions may play with 3 male, 2 female without penalty; 4's division may play with 2 male, 1 female without penalty.

Onsites – In order to minimize contact between groups and also keep the courts limited to players while games are going on, onsite's will **not** come to the courts to collect scores. Onsites will be located strategically at each set of courts. We ask that one representative from each team please go to the onsite to report your score. Alternatively, they can be noted on the *Participation & Contact Tracing Sheet* and turned in to the onsite.

High Fives / Handshakes – For everybody's comfort, please refrain from after match handshakes, fives, hugs, fist bumps, elbow bumps, belly bumps etc. Sorry huggers.

Washrooms – The Chalet is currently closed until further notice. A washroom trailer is provided beside the front entrance of the Chalet.

Patio – The patio is closed for the foreseeable future. Please exit the court area after your matches.

Sanitizer Stations – To assist with practicing good hygiene, there are hand sanitizing stations close to court 7 and court 6, as well as beside the washroom trailer.

Visitors/Spectators – Please do not bring non-participants to the courts. While we're permitted 25% 'spectator capacity' there is minimal proper seating, balls roll across the pathway, onsite's need to be visible etc. If you absolutely must bring someone with you please ensure they stay off of the sand and remain on the path or benches.