



COVID GUIDELINES / RECOMMENDATIONS

For all Spectators & Teams - Let's make this weekend a fun and SAFE event as we get the Girls back on the Field. General Guidelines for Both parks are as follows:

- Encourage all attendees to practice social distancing- wherever they are (Concessions, Parking Lots, Restrooms)
- Any person who is experiencing any symptoms of sickness will be prohibited from attending or participating (no exceptions)
- Any posted guidelines (local or state) are to be followed

FOR VFW PARK:

- This is an independently owned park. This facility will have its own guidelines posted as well as signage - markings - and policies it put in place from their past and for their future Tournaments.

FOR BLUHM PARK:

- Absolutely no fan viewing from behind the backstop. Spectators should start at the edge of the grass on first and third base lines and extend towards the outfield. Behind the backstop is for the Teams.
- Fans should also observe social distancing where they are viewing the event. Family units living within the same household should sit together and not be any closer than 6' from another family unit. If using a "Pop up Tent", only individuals from within the same household should be together under it.

For ALL PLAYERS (Both Parks):

- No use of sunflower seeds or other items that cause frequent "spitting".
- Absolutely no "Team Water Cooler" should be used. Each player should have their water jug or bottle.

- Teams should spread out along the First base or Third base side to respect social distancing guidelines.
- No “high fives” or “handshakes” after the game- teams should line up on 1st / 3rd base line and offer “good game” - however they would like to do it - whether it be a tip of cap / air high five / clapping etc. to show good sportsmanship.
- Before leaving the dugout, Each team is responsible for wiping down hard surfaces and is responsible for the proper disposal of any items.

For ALL COACHES (Both Parks)

- “Manager’s Meeting with the Officials” - prior to the start of the game - one coach from each team and the umpire(s). *No Players*. Respect social distancing during the exchange
- Each coach is responsible for the balls provided including balls leaving the field of play. There will be an umpire bucket prior to the game with a new ball for each team. The team on defense shall use the provided balls while on defense to reduce contact with the opposing team.
- Consider wiping them with an antibacterial wipe before returning them into a game - but not required.

For ALL UMPIRES (Both Parks)

- Home plate umpire behind the catcher - 3’ away.
- If 2 officials are being used, the other official shall be placed in his/her normal position on the opposite side of the field - trying to maintain 6’ away from players
- Officials are not to come in contact with the balls during the game (unless pre packaged prior to being provided to each coach).