



ERIE YOUTH SOCCER ASSOCIATION

Participation Waiver for COVID-19

The COVID-19 pandemic has presented athletics across the world with myriad of challenges concerning this highly contagious illness. Some severe outcomes have been reported in children, and a child with a mild or even asymptomatic case of COVID-19 can spread the infection to others who may be far more vulnerable.

While it is not possible to eliminate all risk of furthering the spread of COVID-19, EYSA will take necessary precautions and comply with federal, state, and local governments, CDC, and the PA DOH guidelines to reduce the risks to players, coaches, and referees. As knowledge regarding COVID-19 is constantly changing, our Association reserves the right to adjust and implement precautionary methods in the Association's return to play plan including but not limited to:

1. Health Screenings prior to any practice or game with participation in the activities being limited and/or prohibited where an individual displays symptoms of COVID-19.
2. Encourage social distancing and promote healthy hygiene practices such as hand washing, using hand sanitizer, etc.
3. Require all athletes and coaches to provide their own water bottle for hydration.

By signing this form, the undersigned voluntarily agrees to the following waiver and release of liability. The undersigned agrees to release and discharge all claims for ourselves, our heirs, and as a parent or legal guardian for the child named below, against EYSA, its Board of Directors, and volunteers and will hold them harmless from any and all liability or demands for personal injury, psychological injury, sickness, death, or claims resulting from personal injury or property damage, of any nature whatsoever which may be incurred by the player or the undersigned relating to or as a result of the player's participation in the EYSA Season during the COVID-19 Pandemic.

The undersigned acknowledges that participation in the EYSA Season may include a possible exposure to COVID-19. The undersigned further acknowledges that they are aware of the risks associated with COVID-19 and that certain vulnerable individuals may have greater health risks associated with exposure to COVID-19, including individuals with serious underlying health conditions whose immune systems are compromised. While recommendations and personal discipline may reduce the risks associated with participating in the EYSA Season during the COVID-19 pandemic, the risk of serious illness, medical complications and possible death does exist.

We knowingly and freely assume all such risks, both known and unknown, even if arising from the negligence of others, and assume full responsibility for players and volunteer's participation in the EYSA Season during the COVID-19 pandemic. We willingly agree to comply with the stated recommendations put forth by EYSA to limit the exposure and spread of COVID-19. We certify that the player and/or volunteer is in good physical condition or believed the player and/or volunteer to be in good physical condition and allow participation in this sport at our own risk.

Signature of Parent/Guardian: _____ Date: _____

Child's Name: _____