

Return to Train – Provincial/Ontario Soccer Colour Guidelines

Introduction:

As part of the Ontario Soccer Return to Play Guidelines, the Georgetown Soccer Club has prepared the following Return to Train Guide for all Rep and Development Teams. The GSC Return To Train Guide ensures that all Ontario Government, Ontario Soccer, Peel Halton Soccer Association and Halton Region guidance has been considered to bring a safe and fulfilling soccer experience to every youth. As is the case with the Ontario Soccer Guidelines, the objective for all is the health and safety of all participants. The GSC Return to Train Guide will outline the protocols associated with each of the new colour zones that have been established. Note that amendments to these guidelines will continue to be forthcoming based upon ongoing guidance and direction from our governing agencies and the Ontario Government.

Colour Zones / Phases:

Phase	Phase 1	Phase 2		
	Individual Training	Group Training & Modified Games		
Zone	Red	Orange	Yellow	Green
Age & Stage Considerations	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Field Marshal	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Physical Distancing for Participants	Yes	No	No	No
Equipment Disinfecting before/after each game/session	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Change Rooms	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Games/Scrimmages	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Maximum “Competitive Bubble”	N/A	50 Players	50 Players	50 Players
Team Isolation Period before changing bubbles	N/A	14 days	14 days	14 days
Travel to other Zones	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Trials/Tryouts/Open Evaluations	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Maximum number of participants (players/coaches/match officials)	Indoor = 10 Outdoor = 25	Indoor = 50 Outdoor = 100	Indoor = 50 Outdoor = 100	Indoor = 50 Outdoor = 100
Spectators	No	No	No	No
Covid-19 Health Screen	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Contact Tracing Sheet	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

Red Zone – Phase 1 Individualized Training

Key Points per Ontario Soccer Return to Train Plan:

- Soccer organization must have completed ‘Canada Soccer Return to Soccer Assessment Tool’.
- Ensure the organization’s own Return to Play Guide is alignment with Ontario Soccer’s Return to Play Guide & Provincial Government guidelines prior to resuming activity.
- Use Canada Soccer’s “Age & Stage Considerations – Phase 1” document included in this section.
- Physical distancing of at least two meters (6ft) is required from all participants. (Players, Coaches).
- No spectators permitted during this phase.
- No games or scrimmages, or contact between participants is permitted during this phase.
- Any locker rooms, change rooms, showers and clubhouses must be closed, except to the extent they provide access to equipment storage, a washroom or a portion of the facility that is used to provide first aid.
- Any equipment must be cleaned and disinfected between each use.
- Any soccer activity must comply with the social distancing measures and recommendations, along with any gathering restrictions issued by the provincial government health authorities, including the arrival and departure of players.
- The total number of participants permitted to be at an activity at any one time must be limited to the number that can maintain a physical distance of at least two meters from other persons at a facility, and in any event cannot exceed:
 - 10 participants for indoor facilities
 - 25 participants for outdoor facilities

GSC Indoor – RED Zone

Note the ability to provide Indoor Individualized training is dependent on the availability of a GSC sanctioned facility and the overall per player cost.

General:

Individualized training with a maximum of 10 individuals per field is permitted. Coaches are encouraged have a player to coach ratio of either 9:1 or 8:2. All training will consist of individualized training that focuses on skills development with no contact. Players and coaches must remain a minimum of 2 meters or 6 feet apart at all times. A GSC trained and appointed Field Marshall must be present for the entire duration of the training session and observe the sign in and sanitization. Spitting is strictly prohibited. Carpooling is discouraged unless with immediate family members. Spectators are prohibited.

Covid-19 Health Screening is to be completed by each player and any person arriving at the field. Covid-19 Health Screening should be completed at home using the Ontario Government online assessment tool found at the following website <https://covid-19.ontario.ca/self-assessment>

Communications:

Team Managers will use their existing communication methods, such as Team Snap, to post scheduled practice times including the names of the players who are invited to each specific practice.

Forms:

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Equipment:

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Soccer Nets may be utilized as part of a practice session, but only after sanitization has been completed. If a Goalie is part of the practice session, the Goalie may wear their own Goalie gloves after they have been sanitized. No player other than the Goalie is to touch the soccer ball with their hands. Players are never to come into contact with training equipment and they are prohibited from touching, moving, resetting or collecting the coaches equipment, including cones, training sticks and pug nets.

Teams are responsible for having their own sanitization and PPE. All teams are expected to carry gloves and face coverings as part of their First Aid Kit and have that available at all times. All teams are responsible for their own sanitization spray to sanitize soccer balls and nets.

Arrival:

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Sanitization:

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GSC Outdoor – RED Zone

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Violation of Procedures:

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Orange Zone – Phase 2

Key Points per Ontario Soccer Return to Train Plan:

- *Soccer Organization entering this Phase must complete – ‘Canada Soccer Return to Soccer Assessment Tool’ and create a “Return to Play” plan for their organization.*
- *Ensure organization’s own Return to Play Guide is alignment with Ontario Soccer & Provincial Government guidelines prior to resuming soccer.*
- *Physical distancing is not required of participants engaged in training or games.*
- *No spectators permitted*
- *Game formats must follow the age, stage of development, and conform to gathering restrictions issued by the Provincial Government and/or local public health unit.*
- *The total number of participants permitted to be at an activity at any one time must be limited to the number that can maintain a physical distance of at least two meters from nonparticipants in the facility, and in any event cannot exceed:*
 - *50 participants for indoor facilities*
 - *100 participants for outdoor facilities*
- *Exhibition games, tournaments/festivals and leagues can be organized under the following conditions:*
 - *Multiple teams, from different Clubs/Academies can form groupings (“Competitive Bubbles”) of no more than 50 players to participate in a league or sanctioned competition as per the current government order.*
 - *Note: Any government directives which impact bubble size, etc., will be communicated to membership accordingly.*
- *Teams must observe a minimum of 14 days of “Team Isolation” before playing games within a different team “bubble” or against a new team outside the “bubble”.*
 - *During the “Team Isolation” period, only activities within the team can take place (i.e. training, inter-squad games.)*
- *Trials/Tryouts/Open Evaluations can be hosted under the following conditions:*
 - *Organizations must focus on ensuring the health and safety of participants attending their sessions.*
 - *Players not registered in OSCAR, Ontario Soccer’s official registry must complete the Informed Consent and Assumption of Risk Agreement, for each clubs sessions they attend, to be eligible for insurance coverage;*
 - *Players must complete the Declaration of Compliance at each session; o A Contact Tracing Log must be completed for each session;*
- *For all 11v11 games, the IFAB 2019/2020 Laws of the game shall be enforced.*

GSC Indoor – Orange Zone

General:

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Green Zone – Phase 2

Key Points per Ontario Soccer Return to Train Plan:

- Soccer Organization entering in this phase must complete – ‘Canada Soccer Return to Soccer Assessment Tool’ and create a “Return to Play” plan for their organization.
- Ensure organization’s own Return to Play Guide is alignment with Ontario Soccer & Provincial Government guidelines prior to resuming soccer.
- Physical distancing is not required of participants engaged in training or games.
- Games or scrimmages can be introduced.
- Game formats must follow the age, stage of development, and conform to gathering restrictions issued by the Provincial Government and/or local public health unit.
- The total number of participants permitted to be at an activity at any one time must be limited to the number that can maintain a physical distance of at least two meters from nonparticipants in the facility, and in any event cannot exceed,
 - 50 participants for indoor facilities
 - 100 participants for outdoor facilities
- Exhibition games, tournaments/festivals and leagues can be organized under the following conditions:
 - Multiple teams, from different Clubs/Academies can form groupings (“Competitive Bubbles”) of no more than 50 players to participate in a league or sanctioned competition as per the current government order.
 - Note: Any government directives which impact bubble size, etc., will be communicated to membership accordingly.
- Teams must observe a minimum of 14 days of “Team Isolation” before playing games within a different team “bubble” or against a new team outside the “bubble”.
 - During the “Team Isolation” period, only activities within the team can take place (i.e. training, inter-squad games.)
- Trials/Tryouts/Open Evaluations can be hosted under the following conditions:
 - Organizations must focus on ensuring the health and safety of participants attending their sessions.
 - Players not registered in OSCAR, Ontario Soccer’s official registry must complete the Informed Consent and Assumption of Risk Agreement, for each clubs sessions they attend, to be eligible for insurance coverage; o Players must complete the Declaration of Compliance at each session;
 - A Contact Tracing Log must be completed for each session.
- For all 11v11 games, the IFAB 2019/2020 Laws of the game shall be enforced.

GSC Indoor – Green Zone

General:

Team training, small-sides games and scrimmages are permitted in this phase up to a maximum of 50 participants per field. Training will consist of individualized skills, small sided games and scrimmages and contact during training is permitted. A GSC trained and appointed Field Marshall must be present for the entire duration of the training session or scrimmage and observe the sign in and sanitization. Spitting is strictly prohibited. Carpooling is discouraged unless with immediate family members. Spectators are prohibited.

Covid-19 Health Screening is to be completed by each player and any person arriving at the field. Covid-19 Health Screening should be completed at home using the Ontario Government online assessment tool found at the following website <https://covid-19.ontario.ca/self-assessment>

Communications:

Team Managers will use their existing communication methods, such as Team Snap, to post scheduled practice times including the names of the players who are invited to each specific practice.

Forms:

There are Waiver Forms that need to be completed and are available online as part of the GSC Registration Process. . Each Parent is required to complete the new Parent Waiver form, each Team Official (Coach, Assistance Coach, Manager, Team Manager and any volunteer associated with a team) is expected to complete the Team Official Waiver form. In addition, there is an Informed Consent form that must be completed by each family.

Equipment:

No pinnies, except for pinnies that have been provided in advance which are cleaned and sanitized and distributed individually to each player, are permitted. Pinnies are not to be collected back by the coach as they are to remain with the player. Players are required to bring their own individual water bottle to practice and they are not to use the public fountain located in the facility.

Soccer Nets may be utilized as part of a practice session, but only after sanitization has been completed. If a Goalie is part of the practice session, the Goalie may wear their own Goalie gloves after they have been sanitized. No player other than the Goalie is to touch the soccer ball with their hands. Players are never to come into contact with training equipment and they are prohibited from touching, moving, resetting or collecting the coaches equipment, including cones, training sticks and pug nets.

Teams are responsible for having their own sanitization and PPE. All teams are expected to carry gloves and face coverings as part of their First Aid Kit and have that available at all times. All teams are responsible for their own sanitization spray to sanitize soccer balls and nets.

Arrival:

Players may arrive no earlier than 5 minutes prior to the start of the training session and will be required to wait outside the facility until previous group has departed. Upon entry, each Player is required to provide the results of their online Covid-19 screening that must be completed at home prior to arriving at practice. A Player showing any symptom should NOT attend a practice session. All Players, Coaches and Team Officials must wear a face covering until they enter the field of play.

Players may take their bag, coat, outside footwear, hat, gloves, etc., with them onto the soccer field when they enter and place it at the edge of the field, ensuring there is a minimum of 2 meters between their gear and that of the other player.

Sanitization:

All Players, Coaches and Team Officials are required to sanitize their hands upon entry to the facility.

All Equipment is to be sanitized by the Team prior to starting each training session, including;

Soccer Nets

Training Equipment, such as Pug Nets, Training Sticks and Cones

A Goalie is required to sanitize their goalie gloves prior to use.

Sanitization is to be completed at the start and at the close of each training session.

Departure:

All Players will sign out at the conclusion of the session and exit the building at the designated exit immediately. Players, Coaches and Team Officials must wear a face covering when leaving the facility.

Contact Tracing:

Each team is required to complete the Contact Tracing and provide the completed Contact Tracing sheet to the Club within 24 hours. Note that a copy of the Contact Tracing sheet may be required by the training facility.

Washroom Facilities:

If a washroom is available at the training facility, the guidelines of the facility regarding capacity must be adhered to. Any Player or Coach who departs the field of play to use the washroom must wear a face covering and sanitize prior to reentering the field.

GSC Outdoor – Green Zone

General:

Team training, small-sides games and scrimmages are permitted in this phase up to a maximum of 100 participants per field. Training will consist of individualized skills, small sided games and scrimmages and contact during training is permitted. A GSC trained and appointed Field Marshall must be present for the entire duration of the training session or scrimmage and observe the sign in and sanitization. Spitting is strictly prohibited. Carpooling is discouraged unless with immediate family members. Spectators are prohibited and must remain in their vehicle or in the parking lot.

Covid-19 Health Screening is to be completed by each player and any person arriving at the field. Covid-19 Health Screening should be completed at home using the Ontario Government online assessment tool found at the following website <https://covid-19.ontario.ca/self-assessment>

Communications:

Team Managers will use their existing communication methods, such as Team Snap, to post scheduled practice times including the names of the players who are invited to each specific practice.

Forms:

There are Waiver Forms that need to be completed and are available online as part of the GSC Registration Process. . Each Parent is required to complete the new Parent Waiver form, each Team Official (Coach, Assistance Coach, Manager, Team Manager and any volunteer associated with a team) is expected to complete the Team Official Waiver form. In addition, there is an Informed Consent form that must be completed by each family.

Equipment:

No pinnies, except for pinnies that have been provided in advance which are cleaned and sanitized and distributed individually to each player, are permitted. Pinnies are not to be collected back by the coach as they are to remain with the player.

Soccer Nets may be utilized as part of a practice session, but only after sanitization has been completed. If a Goalie is part of the practice session, the Goalie may wear their own Goalie gloves after they have been sanitized. No player other than the Goalie is to touch the soccer ball with their hands. Players are never to come into contact with training equipment and they are prohibited from touching, moving, resetting or collecting the coaches equipment, including cones, training sticks and pug nets.

Teams are responsible for having their own sanitization and PPE. All teams are expected to carry gloves and face coverings as part of their First Aid Kit and have that available at all times. All teams are responsible for their own sanitization spray to sanitize soccer balls and nets.

Arrival:

Players may arrive no earlier than 10 minutes prior to the start of the training session and will be required to wait in the parking area. Upon entry on the field, each Player is required to provide the results of their online Covid-19 screening that must be completed at home prior to arriving at practice. A Player showing any symptom should NOT attend a practice session. Face coverings may be worn but are not required while outdoors.

Players may take their bag, coat, outside footwear, hat, gloves, etc., with them onto the soccer field when they enter and place it at the edge of the field, ensuring there is a minimum of 2 meters between their gear and that of the other player.

Sanitization:

All Players, Coaches and Team Officials are required to sanitize their hands upon arrival at the field.

All Equipment is to be sanitized by the Team prior to starting each training session, including;

- Soccer Nets

- Training Equipment, such as Pug Nets, Training Sticks and Cones

A Goalie is required to sanitize their goalie gloves prior to use.

Sanitization is to be completed at the start and at the close of each training session.

Departure:

All Players will sign out at the conclusion of the session and exit the field immediately.

Contact Tracing:

Each team is required to complete the Contact Tracing and provide the completed Contact Tracing sheet to the Club within 24 hours.

Washroom Facilities:

If a washroom is available at the field, the guidelines of the facility regarding capacity must be adhered to. Any Player or Coach who departs the field of play to use the washroom must sanitize prior to reentering the field.

Violation of Procedures:

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Exhibition Game Procedures

Per Ontario Soccer guidelines, Exhibition Games between Clubs and Academies from within region are permitted. Teams that are travelling to Georgetown to participate in an Exhibition Game with a Georgetown Soccer Club team are expected to abide by the GSC Guidelines. While regions may vary in their application of the Ontario Soccer Covid-19 Return to Play guidelines, these are the guidelines followed by all GSC teams and must be adhered to by all visiting organizations.

Permits:

All teams travelling to Georgetown to have an Exhibition Game with a GSC team must have obtained the appropriate permits in advance of the scheduled game. A Travel Permit is required for any team that is not from Peel Halton Soccer Association, meaning that any team from outside of Peel Halton Soccer Association district must obtain an approved Travel Permit to participate in an Exhibition Game hosted by Georgetown Soccer Club.

It is the responsibility of the hosting club to obtain a Permission to Host in advance.

Field Marshalls

Georgetown Soccer Club uses trained GSC Field Marshals for all soccer events. A Club approved Field Marshall must be present for the Exhibition Game and is responsible for the enforcement of the GSC guidelines. It is the responsibility of the GSC team to arrange for a Field Marshall a week in advance of the scheduled Exhibition Game. Field Marshalls are to be paid at the field for their time.

Referees:

It is the responsibility of Georgetown Soccer Club team hosting the Exhibition Game to arrange in advance for a Club approved Referee through the Club Head Referee. Referees are to be paid at the field for their time.

Sanitization:

It is the practice of Georgetown Soccer Club to sanitize all equipment prior to, and at the conclusion of, all soccer events. It is also the practice of Georgetown Soccer Club to ensure all players sanitize their hands at the beginning and the end of every soccer event. All sanitization is to be performed within view of the Field Marshall. Sanitization of equipment includes the sanitization of the goal net, including spraying or wiping down the posts and spraying the mesh, as well as sanitization of the soccer ball(s). If a team chooses to use a bench for the Exhibition Game, the bench becomes part of the equipment and it is expected that the teams will sanitize the bench both before and after the Exhibition Game. All Players are expected to use hand sanitizer to sanitize their hands prior to, and at the conclusion of, the Exhibition Game. Any ball that comes into contact with a Player's head before or during the Exhibition Game, must be kicked aside to be sanitized before it can be used again in the game. Goalies are required to sanitize their goalie gloves prior to and at the end of the game.

Spectators:

There are no spectators permitted on the field(s) at any time. Spectators may drop their child off to the field for the Exhibition Game and are instructed to return to their vehicle or to the parking lot where they can observe the game.


Tracing:

All teams are expected to complete a Covid-19 Contact Tracing Sheet. It is the responsibility of the visiting team to complete a Contact Tracing Sheet for their team and to return that to their Club. The Contact Tracing Sheets from the visiting team do not need to be provided to Georgetown Soccer Club. Contact Tracing Sheets must include details on the players, coaches and team managers (if present) to ensure a complete list has been obtained.

General:

Social Distancing is encouraged at all times where possible. During the course of the Exhibition Game that will not be possible, but while on the bench and during breaks in the game, it is encouraged that all players and coaches maintain physical distancing of 2 meters where possible. Face Coverings while not required, are acceptable and can be worn by players, coaches and team officials.

Spitting on the pitch is strictly prohibited. Any player, coach or team official observed to be spitting on or near the soccer field will be ejected immediately.



Trials/Tryouts/Open Evaluations

- Trials/Tryouts and Open Evaluations for the 2020/2021 season can be held
- All players attending an Open Tryout must be registered in OSCAR, Ontario Soccer's official registry for insurance and sanctioning. Registration for Open Tryouts at GSC will need to be completed online in advance.
- Tryouts for positions should be coordinated with the Coach in advance to ensure online registration is completed.
- Guidelines specific to the Colour Zone/Phase must be adhered to.