



General information for this weekend of Scrimmage Fest brought to you by the Las Vegas Mayor's Cup and ASA Advanced Leagues Play In Games

General information:

- CHECK YOUR SCHEDULE
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- **COVID PROTOCOL:** Make sure all are aware and understand ASA's Return to Play Protocol as posted on our website. <https://www.azsoccerassociation.org/asa-return-to-play-phase-iv/>
 - As of today, 8/18 we are in Phase 4 and Step 1 regarding Spectator attendance. Make sure you read and communicate these expectations to your team members. Should anything change with this Protocol, you will be notified.
 - Thursday I will be distributing additional COVID protocol information specific to this event.
 - Information on video taping games
 - Information on permissible areas for spectators
 - ASA procedures and important reminders
 - Make sure you inform your team parents about spectator expectations. We all need to understand there is a short term sacrifice to get our youth back on the fields in as safe conditions as possible.
- **SPECTATORS:** No spectators are allowed on the field. Only authorized coaches and Team Officials will be permitted in the technical area. Teams (players and coaches) are expected to follow the [Seating Guidelines](#) published on the Advanced Leagues website. *The exception for now in following COVID Protocols is no spectators.*
- **TRANSITION OF GAMES ON A FIELD:** We are looking for your help in adhering to the following:
 - Teams playing on a field must vacate the field promptly following the end of the match.
 - Teams must pick up their own trash so that physical contact by others is minimized.
 - Teams must remove all items from their technical area quickly so that the next game can move into the technical area.

- All must wear masks when departing the field location.
 - Teams entering the field for the next match must wait until the prior match is completed and vacated.
 - All must wear masks entering the field location.
 - Warmup prior to your match is not permitted on the field around any ongoing games. Look to find an isolated area or instruct your players to stretch and warmup in an appropriate area.
 - Players should set their equipment, bags, hydration bottles, etc. in a manner to maintain social distancing.
- Athletic Trainers will be available for assisting players
- ASA staff will be on hand to assist, continually sanitize, and help enforce COVID Protocols.

Specific Play in Games Information:

- **ROSTERS AND PLAYER PASSES:** Per communications you have been receiving, tomorrow, 8/19 is the deadline to make sure your state roster or event roster are current in the Advanced Leagues event. *Only those players will be allowed to play.*
 - *All players, coaches, and team officials must have a pass to be on the field.*
 - *You do not need to print out a game card. ASA will be printing your rosters after the 8/19 freeze to bring to the games for the referees.*
- **SUBSTITUTION RULES:** While Advanced League rules section 7.02 speaks to substitutions on 3 occurrences, for this weekend's event that requirement *will be waived for the play in games and unlimited substitutions will be permitted.* It will still be required that players receive permission from the referee(s) to substitute.
- **UNIFORMS:** While numbered uniforms are important, we all need to be understanding that due to COVID, there are many teams that have not received their new uniforms and major distributors are having delays.
 - Thus... be flexible teams. Figure out a solution. Teams should have "consistent" colored uniforms. Teams *are allowed* to use tape, pen, etc. to do their best to make sure that players can be uniquely identified. ***DO NOT PROTEST IF THERE IS A PROBLEM WITH A UNIFORM OR NUMBER!***
- **Water Breaks:** It is highly likely that there will be Mandatory Water Breaks issued by me for teams participating. This communication will be issued closer to the game dates/times as I monitor weather conditions. There may be 1 or 2 mandatory water breaks per half depending upon conditions. Prepare for it.
 - Make sure each player has sufficient water and there is no sharing of hydration receptacles.
 - Players *will be allowed* to exit the field of play to get their own water.

Specific Scrimmage Fest Information:

- **ROSTERS AND PLAYER PASSES:** Passes *are not required* for the Scrimmage Fest and neither are rosters or game cards. *There will not be a check in process prior to your match. It is your responsibility to ensure that only ASA registered players are allowed to participate.*
- **SUBSTITUTION RULES:** This is not an official event. I recommend that you still substitute with referee's permission if a referee is present. Otherwise if a referee is not present, **COACHES NEED TO WORK TOGETHER.**
- **UNIFORMS:** Uniforms and numbers are not important for teams participating in this event. This is a pre-season scrimmage and not an official match. I suggest that teams work together to make things work.
- **Water Breaks:** It is highly likely that there will be Mandatory Water Breaks issued by me for teams participating. This communication will be issued closer to the game dates/times as I monitor weather conditions. There may be 1 or 2 mandatory water breaks per half depending upon conditions. Prepare for it. *For Scrimmage Fest matches, I strongly recommend that coaches continually monitor conditions of their players and never hesitate to substitute or hold up the match for the need to hydrate. COACHES NEED TO WORK TOGETHER.*
 - Make sure each player has sufficient water and there is no sharing of hydration receptacles.
 - Players *will be allowed* to exit the field of play to get their own water.
 - There is no ASA provided hydration due to COVID protocol.

Thank you for reading the details and everybody must understand that we have a common goal to get our youth back on the field in as safe conditions as possible. These are hopefully short term measures that will get us there.