



TRYOUTS SAFETY PROTOCOL

Following the Spring 2020 Coronavirus/Covid-19 Outbreak

In March of 2020 an outbreak of a novel strain of coronavirus appeared in California and other areas of the United States and the around the world. The associated disease, Covid-19, proved fatal. Government officials in California instituted mandatory closures of businesses where the transmission of the virus threatened to be high. Shortly thereafter due to the possible scope of the virus, California instituted 'stay-at-home' health orders. In conjunction, schools and other facilities closed. The effect on Marin FC's activities was total. Practically, a critical milestone for our club is tryouts and the associated team formation and launch of the new season.

California's precautionary measures proved effective and it is anticipated that a gradual return to normal will occur across the late spring and into the summer. Likely, officials will prioritize which businesses and activities are safe to re-open, and when determined viable, each endeavor will certainly include restrictions and new precautions to protect against a renewed outbreak or continued virus transmission. For our tryouts, anticipating and exceeding safety measures and precautions will help not only our constituency return to play but aid the larger societal effort to safeguard a secure way of life and sport.

Marin FC therefore implements the follow protocol for 2020 tryouts. Structurally the protocol is arranged as general guidelines followed by a sequence of precautionary practices.

General Guidelines

1. All applicable health authority restrictions or instructions shall be implemented.
2. All tryout registrants shall be instructed to arrive for tryout sessions 30 minutes in advance of the scheduled session start time in order to allow for a spacious check in procedure.
3. Players shall be instructed to bring to tryout sessions a hand towel for use during breaks to 'towel-off' perspiration or other moisture.
4. Sessions shall be planned to provide for minimum of 15 minutes between sessions to ease any congestion during the arrival and departure periods.
5. A six person (minimum) volunteer crew shall be provided for tryouts with the following roles and purposes:
 - a) Guidance Volunteer (exterior) - Orient persons as they arrive and manage any lines of persons entering the session for appropriate separation. Additionally, assist other volunteers in implementing #4 below if necessary.
 - b) Hand Sanitizer Volunteer - Sprays each player's hands as they check in with isopropyl alcohol (70% minimum) spray solution. Additionally sprays any departing player's hands upon request.
 - c) Check-In Volunteer - Confirm identities and attendance of tryout participants and processes any 'walk-ons'. During sessions (between check-in periods) sanitizers pens, containers and tables.
 - d) Numbers Volunteer - Exclusively writes tryout identification numbers on players. Shall wear gloves and protect markers from use or contact with others.
 - e) Guidance Volunteer (interior) - Orient players as to placement of personal bags and items and monitor break periods during the sessions to maintain player separation and monitor use of water bottles or other player items.
 - f) Tryout Bibs Manager - Manage bibs at tryout session for single use. After sessions, promptly wash bibs for use at the next sessions. (coaches shall utilize their balls, cones and other training equipment).
4. Parents, friends or other persons may not remain at fields during tryout sessions.





Precautions *Prior To* A Tryout Session

1. Coaches shall, within 18 hours of a tryout session, wash and/or disinfect their cones.
2. Coaches shall within 3 hours of a tryout session, take through reliable means, their body temperature. Should a temperature greater than 99.6° occur, the coach will notify the club and not attend the tryout session (tryout session shall proceed with instructions to the other coaches and evaluators).
3. Coaches shall within 30 minutes of the start of a tryout session, disinfect with cleansing wipes, all balls, any ball pumps, any exercise bands, any muscle rollers, and any other equipment to be touched by players.
4. Players shall within 3 hours of a tryout session, self-assess by taking through reliable means, their body temperature. Should a temperature greater than 100.0° be detected, the player shall notify the club and not attend the tryout.
5. Players shall bring to tryout sessions a hand towel for use during breaks to 'towel-off' perspiration or other moisture.

Precautions *At The Start Of* A Tryout Session

1. Volunteers, coaches and players shall greet each other with a cleat or shoe tap (no handshakes, fist-bumps or elbow taps).
2. Coaches shall disinfect their hands using the isopropyl alcohol (70% minimum) spray solution provided by the club.
3. Players shall arrange any bags and personal gear with a minimal separation of six feet between individual groupings and any coaching equipment. Any use of apparel or other personal equipment shall be promptly returned to appropriate bags or otherwise separately stored.
4. The club's interior guidance volunteer shall monitor and manage player activity during arrival.

Precautions *During* A Tryout Session

1. Coaches shall avoid or limit physical contact with players and shall preserve a minimum of ten feet of separation between themselves and the players when possible.
2. The club's training bibs manager shall distribute and collect after use any needed bibs per coach directions.
3. The club's interior guidance volunteer shall monitor and manage player activity during breaks.
4. During breaks in tryouts:
 - a) Players shall not share water bottles or other drinks.
 - b) Players shall maintain physical separation from their coaches and other players during rest.
 - c) Players should 'towel-off' using their own hand towel, and keep the towel in their bag or separated. Players shall not share towels.
6. Any use of apparel or other personal equipment shall be returned to bags or separately stored.

Precautions *After* A Tryout Session

1. Coaches shall have players return cones and balls to their storage bags individually and directly. The coach shall not collect items themselves except to hold a storage bag open for players.
2. The club's training bibs manager shall collect after use training bibs from players.
3. Players shall collect and carry their own bag and belongings without sharing or assistance.

