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In light of the Governor's Maryland Strong Roadmap to Recovery, and in consultation with the County Health Officer while using recommendations from the National Recreation and Parks Association (NRPA) and the Centers for Disease Control, a plan was developed to reopen recreational opportunities/facilities to the public. Some local Councils have chosen to suspend fall programming in light of the risks associated with COVID-19. For those councils choosing to continue with fall programming, the following are GUIDELINES for Recreation and Park Facilities and/or programs operating under a permit issued by BCPS to the Department. The Department will follow all State Executive Orders related to recreational activities.

**UPDATE TO RECREATION AND PARKS FALL OUTDOOR SPORTS
OPERATIONS 8/13/2020**

- Participation in programs is only allowed if you have had no signs or symptoms of Covid-19, and you have not been exposed to someone who has had signs or symptoms of Covid-19 for a minimum period of 14 days before participation
- Participation in programs requires a signed Baltimore County COVID Waiver Form
- If you are sick or feel sick, you should remain home
- At risk individuals, youth or adult, should remain home
- Temperature checks are required for players, volunteers and coaches
- Hand sanitizer should be available at all activities
- Assign an area for each player to place their equipment
- No sharing of drink bottles or any personal equipment
- No centralized hydration or refreshment areas
- No spectators at events, with the exception of parents and guardians
- Masks are required by all volunteers and coaches in the program
- Masks are required for participants when entering the field and while on the bench
- Masks are not required for players and officials while on the field of play, but are recommended
- Social distancing should be practiced at all possible times
- Participants should refrain from handshakes, huddles and high fives

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SPORT SPECIFIC GUIDELINES:

Football:

- No Tackle Football games/scrimmages
- Flag football games/scrimmages are authorized
- Drills and conditioning activities are authorized
- Player gloves are recommended

Soccer:

- No throw ins
- Goalkeeper must wear gloves

Baseball/Softball:

- A clean ball must be utilized at each change of team at bat, i.e. each half inning

Cheerleading:

- No stunts
- Masks must be worn at all times

For questions related to these guidelines please contact:
410-887-3804

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