



# PVLL Covid-19 Response

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2020 Season





# Goals

*The following are the five goals that PVLL wants to accomplish with our Covid-19 response program.*

- Provide a safe baseball environment for our community.
- Follow State, County & City Covid-19 recommendations.
- Prevent person to person contact.
- Prevent equipment contamination.
- Prevent facility contamination.

# Health Screening

- Personal Health Awareness
  - We ask that any PVLL player, coach, manager, volunteer, parent or spectator that is feeling ill or has flu symptoms **not** attend any PVLL events and see their healthcare provider.





# Health Screening

- Manager Reporting
  - When a team managers becomes aware of a coach, player or volunteer that is ill with flu like symptoms, they **shall** report it to the PVLL Health Safety Officer immediately.
  - Any PVLL player, coach or manager that is ill with flu like symptoms will not be allowed to attend or return to PVLL events until after they have spoken with the PVLL Health Safety Officer and the PVLL Health Safety Officer determines that the individual can return to PVLL events.



# Health Screening Cont.

- Health Safety Officer Clearance
  - PVLL will require that any PVLL player, coach, manager or volunteer that is suspected of contracting Covid-19 self-quarantine as recommended by the Sonoma County Health Safety Officer and seek medical treatment from their healthcare provider.
  - The PVLL Health Safety Officer will report any suspected Covid-19 case to the PVLL Board for proper team/division/league notification.



# Health Screening Cont.

- Health Safety Officer Clearance
  - The PVLL Health Safety Officer will investigate the possibility of spread to the PVLL community and report to the Board their findings and recommendations ASAP.
  - No player, coach, manager, volunteer that is/was known to have Covid-19 will be allowed to return until after they received clearance from their doctor to return to organized youth activities.





# Health Screening Cont.

- Body Temperature
  - Each team will be provided with an infrared forehead thermometer.
  - Each team manager will be responsible to check the temperature of all players and coaches at all PVLL practices and games.
- Any player, coach or manager that has a temperature of 100 deg or more will be dismissed from the PVLL event.





# Team Practice Procedures

(First Practice)

- Prior to the first practice, the team manager will contact each family and discuss with them the new PVLL Covid-19 protocol.
- The first practice should include a team discussion on the PVLL Covid-19 protocol and the league's expectations regarding PPE, Social Distancing, health screening, health reporting & equipment sanitation and use.
- Scheduling of practices will be staggered by 15 minutes to limit the number of families at facilities. Team practices should begin and end on time.





# Team Practice Procedures

(To be conducted at every practice)

- Health Screening before practice
  - Check temperature/Ask about health
- No shared equipment
  - bats, helmets, gloves
- Practice social distancing in practice drills.
- Social distancing in team meetings.
- No sunflower seeds or gum allowed.
- 15-person team max (coaches & players).
- All coaches will wear masks at practice.
- Players may use masks if they choose, but must wear masks when social distancing can not be maintained.



# Game Procedures

(Protocol for Every Game)

- All adults on the field will wear facial coverings or masks.
- Adult spectators are not required to wear facial coverings/mask, but may do so if they desire.
- Managers will health screen all players and coaches upon their arrival at fields (check temperature, etc).
- No shared equipment (i.e. bats, helmets, gloves).
- No sunflower seeds or gum allowed.
- All human to human contact discouraged.
- No handshakes or personal contact celebrations.
- Social distancing team meetings.
  - Post and Pregame meetings ok.
  - No end of inning meetings.
- Game start times staggered to reduce the number of people at facility.



# Game Procedures

(Team at Bat)

- At Murphy Field the Aluminum bleachers on both the visitor and home sides of the field will be designated for players when they are batting only.
- Six players will use these bleachers when it is their team's at bat. Players will social distance on bleachers when in use.
- The remaining six players will be allowed to use the dugout during their at bat.
- All players in the dugout will wear facial coverings or masks.
- All players assigned to sit in the bleachers will wear face coverings or masks.
- The above will apply to McDowell Minor Field as well where there is an assigned single bleacher that will be used by both teams.



# Game Procedures

(Team in Field)

- Players in the field are not required to wear facial coverings or masks, but may do so if they or their guardian desires.
- Players that are not in the field, but in the dugout will wear facial coverings or mask while in the dugout.



# Game Procedures

(Umpires)

- Health screening of umpires by managers upon their arrival at field.
- Game ball will be changed every two innings.
- All umpires will wear a mask or facial covering.
- No kid umpires allowed in Minor Division.
- Minor Division will be umpired by fielding manager or coach who will stand near the pitcher mound.
- Equipment inspections should still occur, but equipment should be spaced out by players/coaches. Inspection will be visual only. Umpires should not touch equipment.
- Pregame home plate meeting will be conducted to social distancing standards and will only be with one umpire and both managers.



# Game Procedures

(Game Scheduling)

- All games will be scheduled in a staggered manner to limit the number of people in attendance at PVLL facilities.
- A minimum of 30 minutes will be allowed between games.
- Teams/families should immediately leave the field when their game is completed. This will assist with reducing the number of people at the facilities between games.
- All games of the Minor, Minis and T-Ball will have a strict time limit if there is another game scheduled to immediately follow. (Minors 120 Minutes, Minis 90 minutes, T-Ball (45 Minutes).
- All games that are not completed when the time limit is reached will end immediately regardless of the score. Scoring will revert to the last completed inning for the Minor Division games.



# Game Procedures

(Game Scheduling)

- PVLL will attempt to schedule all Majors games where a time limit is not required.
- In the event that a Majors game does have a game scheduled immediately after, a time limit of 120 minutes will apply.
- Under such conditions, the game will immediately end when the time limit is reached, and the score will revert to the prior completed inning. Under such conditions, games can end in a tie.

# Equipment Sanitation

- Limit all shared equipment
  - Bats, helmets, gloves
- Any equipment that is shared shall be disinfected between use.
  - Catcher's equipment
  - T-Ball bats
  - No catchers in Minis Division.
- Baseballs will be sterilized with Lysol disinfected spray at practices, games and any foul balls that are returned to the field.
- Spacing out equipment in and outside of dugout.
- New game balls every two innings.



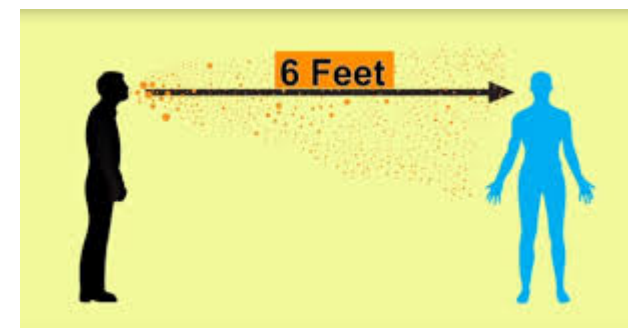




# PVLL Facilities

(Murphy Field)

- Social distancing signs
- Social distancing markings on bleachers
- Frequent and daily cleaning of facilities by coaches, board members and snack shack personnel.





# PVLL Facilities

(Batting Cages/Bullpens)

- Social distancing signs
- 15 person max
- No shared equipment (i.e bats, gloves, helmets)





# PVLL Facilities

(McDowell Minor)

- Social distancing signs
- Bleachers marked for social distancing
- Frequent and daily cleaning of facilities by teams & board members



# PVLL Facilities

## (Snack Shack)

- Plexiglass affixed to customer counter
- Only one volunteer (except for same household family members) will be allowed to work in the snack shack and they must wear PPE (Personal Protective Equipment) at all times (Gloves & Mask)
- Hand sanitizer will be provided free of charge at Snack Shack counter
- No gum or sunflower seeds will be sold at snack shack, nor will it be allowed at any PVLL event.
- Social distancing markings are placed on ground near snack shack.
- Frequent and daily sanitation facilities by board members and snack shack personnel
  - Counter & Bathrooms



# PVLL Facilities

(Press Box)

- No kids allowed in Press Box.
- Limited use to one person (except for same household family members).
- Daily sanitation of equipment.

# Season Suspension

- Any positive test of a PVLL player, coach, manager, volunteer will result in the immediate notification to the league (all families). The individuals name will not be released to league. Their identity will only be known by the reporting party (i.e. manager/parent/etc.) and the PVLL Health Safety Officer.
- If 3 or more PVLL individuals (i.e. coach/manager/player/volunteer) is suspected of being ill with Covid-19 at the same time, the season will be suspended immediately (practices and games). The board will notify the City of Petaluma & County of Sonoma Health Officer. The board will collect any possible contaminated equipment so that it can be sanitized by a paid professional. All PVLL facilities will be closed and cleaned.
- In the event of a season suspension, the entire league will self-quarantine (no practices or games) for 2 weeks before any PVLL event may resume.



# Penalties

It is the intent of the PVLL Board to provide a safe environment for our community to share while watching their child/children play baseball. Any manager, player, coach or volunteer that intentionally avoids following these guidelines shall be subject to removal from the Board.





# Closing

Our goal is to provide a safe environment for our kids to play baseball without putting anyone within our community at risk of contracting Covid-19. We believe there is a high probability of being successful if these guidelines are followed. We thank you for your understanding and support.

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# Covid Amendments

- All practices are closed to the public. Only players and coaches are allowed to attend (June 10<sup>th</sup>)
- A limit of 12 players may participate in a practice. If a team has more than 12 players, a separate practice must be started on a different field with an adult coach to reduce the player number to 12 (June 18<sup>th</sup>)
- Dugouts, bathrooms and the snack shack are closed until further notice (June 10<sup>th</sup>).
- All participants at a PVLL event (players, coaches, parents, etc) are required to have a facial covering. However, the facial covering only needs to be used when individuals are unable to maintain social distancing or they enter an enclosed structure. (June 12<sup>th</sup>)