



Town of Londonderry, New Hampshire

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GENERAL TOWN GUIDANCE REGARDING USE OF MASKS AND OTHER COVID PROTOCOLS IN CONJUNCTION WITH TOWN SPORTS LEAGUES

We are all excited for the arrival of spring/summer and with the change of seasons, the Town's recreational and travel baseball, softball, lacrosse and soccer leagues. While each league runs independently of one another, the leagues make use of both Town and School District fields and facilities. In issuing the following guidance, Town officials had many discussions with School District officials, including whether we can or should have two different policies: one for sports occurring on school grounds, the other for sports occurring on Town grounds. After much consideration as well as careful review of the Governor's Mask Order, State of NH Re-Opening Task Force guidelines and applicable NHIAA guidance, and given the rising case numbers in Londonderry as well as our paramount goal of maintaining resident safety until the pandemic is safely behind us, **the Town will require its recreational and travel sports leagues to observe the same general COVID protocols in Londonderry which are observed by the School District with regard to sports as follows:**

- Unless specifically exempt due to a medical or religious reason, participants must wear masks at all times.
- Spectators will be allowed, but must wear masks and wherever possible, family units should maintain 6' social distance from others you do not live with.

Participants are directed to consult with league officials for more specific guidance related to league quarantine protocols, temperature taking, staying home when sick, sharing equipment, etc.

Please note that this Guidance is subject to review if and when the Governor removes the mask mandate, the NHIAA alters its guidance with regard to COVID protocols, or the COVID case numbers in Londonderry experience significant improvement.

We ask for your understanding and cooperation. These are difficult decisions, but we hope you know they are made with the utmost consideration for the safety of everyone involved.

WE WILL GET THROUGH THIS TOGETHER; AS ALWAYS, LONDONDERRY LEADS THE WAY.