Club Sports
Fall 2021
COVID Guidelines

Violation of any of the guidelines below may result in the elimination of a club’s privileges including the loss of competition and practice or suspension of the club. Individual students may also face university discipline.

Note that these policies may change at any time based on university guidance.

Club Reactivation Timeline

- Indoor and outdoor practices may begin on September 7th
- Competitions may begin on September 15th
- Club Officers should begin preparation for practices, competition, coach onboarding, and member recruitment prior to their start date.

Club Sport Participation

- Only fully vaccinated students may participate in Club Sports.
- Unvaccinated students are not permitted to participate in Club Sports. This includes all practices, team competitions, in-person meetings, etc.

Club Sport Officer Responsibilities

- Club Sport Officers are responsible for disseminating information for their teammates.
- Club Sport Officers are required to support and adhere to the guidelines within this document.

Club Sport Coaches

- Coaches are required to be fully vaccinated.
- Coaches are required to support and adhere to the guidelines within this document. Violation of the guidelines may result in termination.

General COVID Guidelines

- Club Sports will operate within approved University COVID guidelines. Guidelines are subject to change at any time.
- Facial coverings are required for all indoor activities until further notice, including all practices and competitions, unless actively hydrating.
Facial coverings are required for coaches, including outdoor activities. Aquatic activities will not require facial coverings while actively participating in the pool. Facial coverings must be worn while on the pool deck. Facial coverings will be optional, at the discretion of the participant, when actively participating in outdoor practices and competitions. Facial coverings will be required when participants are not actively participating in outdoor practices and competitions, including when on the sidelines. Facial coverings must be worn during travel within a vehicle or bus. Vehicles may operate at full capacity. Eating during indoor practice and competition is prohibited. Indoor team meals at restaurants are prohibited. Participants must wipe all shared objects and key equipment touch points with disinfectant wipes or other appropriate disinfecting cleaning product before and after use. Close contact greetings including handshakes, hugs, and high-fives are prohibited.

**Capacities & Spectators**

- Indoor competitions, practices, and team meetings may operate with a 20-person capacity. This includes participants, coaches, and trainers.
- Outdoor competitions, practices, and team meetings may operate with a 50-person capacity. This includes participants, coaches, trainers, and spectators. This includes both home and visiting team participants, coaches, trainers, and spectators.
- Spectators are prohibited from indoor events.
- Only Yale students, faculty, and staff may attend outdoor competitions and practices as spectators.
- Spectators must remain 12 feet from coaches and participants.

**Exemptions to Capacities – Updated 9.22.2021**

- Clubs may request an exemption to exceed the 20- and 50-person capacity limits provided:
  - They have met all additional COVID guidelines and procedures.
  - Exceeding the 20- and 50-person capacities provides one of the following benefits to the club:
    - Allows for additional Yale students to participate in practices or in-person team meetings.
    - Allows both Yale clubs and their visiting opponents additional athletes to serve as substitutes, additional coaches, and/or additional support staff.
- Exemptions to exceed capacity limits for additional spectators will not be approved.
- Clubs will request this exemption upon submitting their Facility Space Request. In the request they must state their requested capacity and rationale.
• Exemptions will be reviewed and approved/denied by Tom Migdalski and Ryan Hagen.

Travel & Competition

• There are no restrictions on regional travel. National travel requests will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis.
• International travel is prohibited.
• Club Sports may only compete against institutions which have a student vaccination requirement.
• Practice and competition amongst alumni or groups other than higher education institutions is prohibited. This includes all alumni contests.
• Yale students will be required to provide a negative COVID taken within 72 hours prior to the start of competition to be eligible to compete or travel.
• Competition and travel rosters must be submitted via email to the Club Sports Office no less than two hours prior to the start of the competition. Competition rosters must include the names of the opponent.
• For home competitions, the Yale Club Sport Visiting Team Guidelines must be emailed to the visiting opponent and their university administrator no less than 24 hours prior to the start of the competition.
• A visiting team's club sport director or other school administrator must complete and submit the Attestation form within a 24- to 2-hour window prior to the start time here: clubsports@yale.edu
• Accommodations for overnight travel must be made at a hotel. Club Sport participants and coaches may not stay at the residences of friends or family.