

Brooklyn Center/Crystal COVID-19 Adult Softball Plan

(Updated 4/26/21)

- Stay home if you are sick.
- Brooklyn Center/Crystal will follow all local and state guidelines for facilities and adult leagues.
- Face masks are required in the bench areas. Highly recommended if in the field of play, but not required.
- The umpire and one coach per team will be involved in pre-game meeting.
- All players should supply their own antibacterial wipes and hand sanitizer for disinfecting shared playing equipment including: bats, gloves and balls and cleaning hands.
- The dugout area will be expanded. A maximum of 5 players are allowed at one time in the bench area while following social distancing. The other remaining players must be in the area behind the dugout while also following social distancing.
- According to the Governor current Phase III rules there should be no more than 25 people on the field at one time. This will be adjusted as it changes.
- Hitters, catchers and umpires should follow social distancing. Catcher will be behind the umpire more as a ball retriever.
- Players are encouraged to wear PPE items if they choose as long as it does not compromise the safety of a player.
- Teams will be required to clean out their dugout of all trash and other items after game and wipe down hard surfaces such as benches and bat racks. Each player is encouraged to carry hand sanitizer in bag.
- Players should provide their own water bottles. No shared water jugs.
- No spitting of sunflower seeds is allowed.
- Upon arriving at a dugout for the first time each night, teams should disinfect hard surfaces.
- Games and or Scrimmages are not allowed until given approval by Brooklyn Center/Crystal Recreation.
- Portable bathrooms may be available but will only be sanitized twice per week by the provider. Use at your own risk.
- Signs will be posted at the facilities reminding individuals about social distancing and other safety guidelines. It is the responsibility of the managers and athletes to adhere to these guidelines. This may be adjusted based on changes made by the Governor, CDC and MDH.
- Only the team manager may approach the umpire for rule clarifications.
- There will be no contact, no handshakes or high fives allowed. Tip your hat.
- Please try not to bring spectators but if you must, please limit to 1 person/player and must social distance.
- **SHOW GOOD SPORTSMANSHIP TO OTHER PLAYERS AND UMPIRES AT ALL TIMES. THESE RULES ARE FOR THE SAFETY OF EVERYONE. ENJOY THE GAMES!!!**

Waiver

"I the undersigned user do hereby agree to follow all Brooklyn Center/Crystal Recreation policies and will enforce policies for any of my group's participants. I further agree to indemnify, and hold the cities of Brooklyn Center or Crystal harmless from and against any and all liability for any injury or illness which may be suffered on premises, arising out of, or in any way connected to the cities of Brooklyn Center or Crystal. I also understand that failure to follow the cities policies and guidelines could result in not being able to schedule and/or use facilities."

(Manager Signature and Date)

(Print Manager and Team Name)