



# METUCHEN SOCCER CLUB

## Game Day Protocols Spring 2021



# Welcome Back for the Spring 2021 Season

This week saw our teams get back onto the pitch for their first formal practices since the winter sessions, and this weekend most of our teams will be beginning their spring season.

You may have noticed that our training sessions are more spread out and there are less players/teams on the field simultaneously. This is intentional as we are limiting the number of persons on any field at any one time so we can spread out and keep safe physical distance and have worked with the Rec Commission to ensure that for our training sessions and games we have exclusive use of the fields.

Additionally, the club has put together a set of game day protocols to be in effect for all HOME games and practices. We are sharing these protocols, not just with you, but also with all other clubs/teams that will be playing games here in Metuchen. According to MNJYSA and SYSL, HOME rules are in effect and must be followed by all clubs/teams.

A couple of highlights around game day protocols

- Coaches / Trainers must wear masks during games / practices
- Players must wear masks to / from the field. Players are not required to wear masks during games / practices
- Spectators must adhere to social distancing guidelines and wear masks, where social distancing is not possible
- Charles & Myrtle Fields: Only players, trainers and coaches are allowed inside the fence. Parents and other spectators can watch games / practices from outside the fenced areas.
- Hampton Field: Parents / Spectators must sit outside of the rope line (set up at least 10ft away from the field of play)
- If anyone is exhibiting any symptoms of COVID or has a reasonable suspicion of exposure, please do not attend games / practices.

NOTE: All COVID related questions / notifications should be sent to [MSCinfo@metuchentravelsoccer.com](mailto:MSCinfo@metuchentravelsoccer.com)

We hope you and your children have a great season! Enjoy the game and stay safe!

Thank you!

**Board of Directors  
Metuchen Soccer Club**



# Roles & Responsibilities

## Club Responsibilities

- Distribute and post return to play protocol to all members
- Be understanding to parents/players that may delay returning to play
- Provide adequate field space for physical distancing (minimum of 6 feet)
- Set up training session layout and schedules to minimize contact between groups.
- Ensure all coaches have access to additional masks, gloves and sanitizing products
- Have an effective communication plan

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## Coach Responsibilities

- Follow all return to play protocols
- Send home players if they are not feeling well
- Always provide adequate physical distancing
- Ensure all players are not sharing water/equipment (ball permitted)
- Wear a face mask when coaching
- Only Coaches/Trainers handle equipment
- Be understanding to parents/players that may delay returning to play

## Parent Responsibilities

- Complete SYSL COVID Participant Questionnaire (SYSL Participants Only)
- Check your child's temperature before any team related event
- Notify the Club immediately if your child has symptoms or tests positive for COVID-19
- Ensure your child has sanitizing products and plenty of water
- Stay in car or adhere to social distance requirements
- Ensure washing (e.g. hands) takes place before and after every training
- Ensure clothes and equipment are sanitized before and after every training

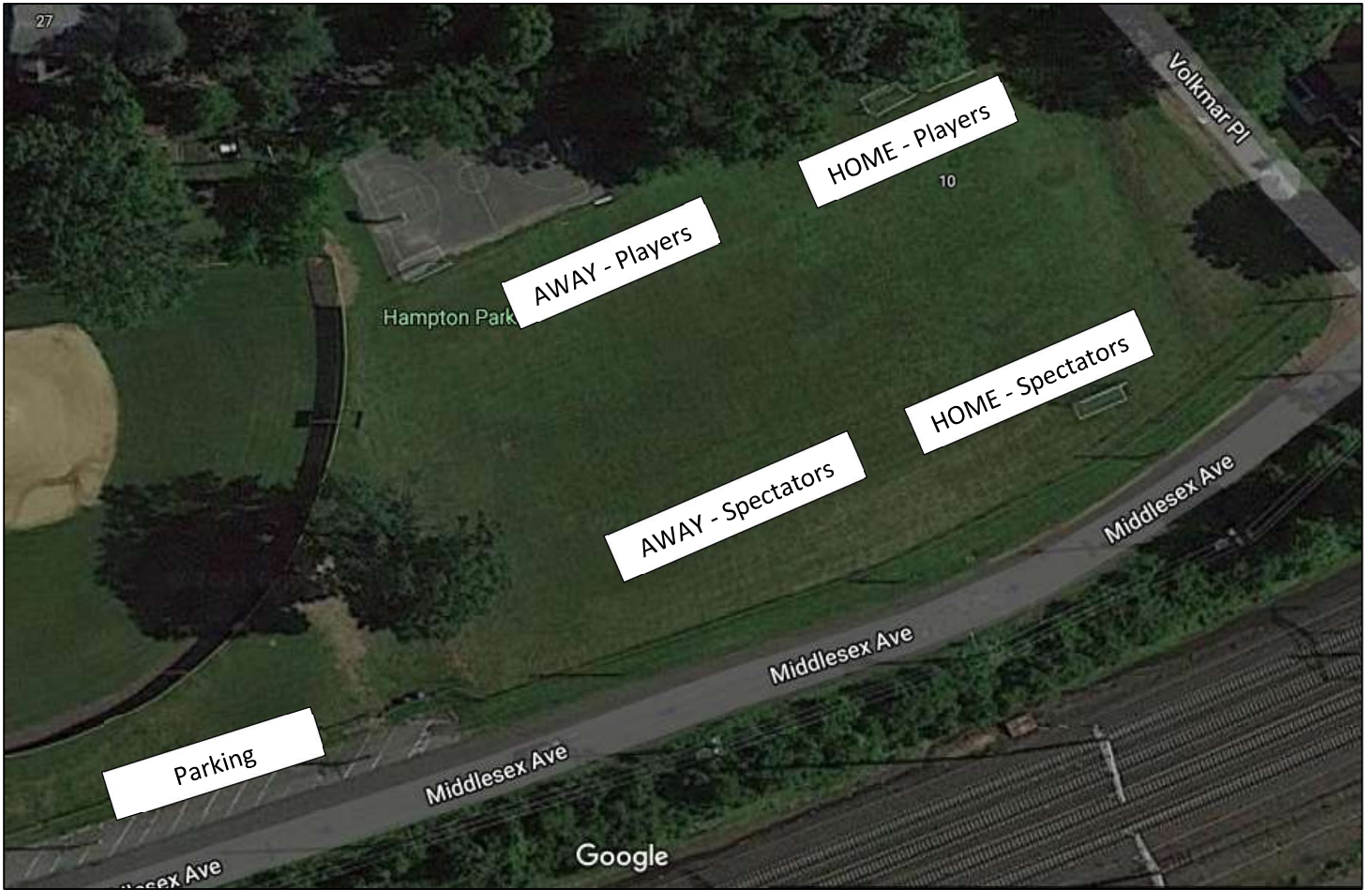
## Player Responsibilities

- Complete SYSL COVID Participant Questionnaire (SYSL Participants Only)
- Bring and use hand sanitizer
- Be open and transparent with coach
- Place bags and equipment at least 6 feet apart for other players
- Do not touch or share anyone else's equipment, water, food, or bags
- No group celebrations, high-5s, hugs, handshakes, fist-bumps, etc.
- Respect and practice physical distancing
- Wear mask before and immediately after events
- Wash hands thoroughly and immediately after events
- Wash and sanitize all equipment before and after events



# Field Locations: COVID Protocol

Hampton Field (grass)  
Middlesex Avenue, Metuchen, NJ 08840





# Field Locations: COVID Protocol

Charles Field (turf)  
East Walnut Street, Metuchen, NJ 08840



# Field Locations: COVID Protocol



# Myrtle Field (turf) Orchard Avenue, Metuchen, NJ 08840

