

Langley United

Return To Play Plan Spring 2021



This document will provide details of Langley United Soccer Association's Return to Play Plan. This must be read with the guidelines of our governing bodies of Canada Soccer, BC Soccer and our government, whom are overseeing the Return To Play. Canada Soccer confirmed on June 8, 2020, that Langley United's Return To Play plan has been rated as "low risk", we maintain the low risk status in 2021. The plan and all referenced documentation are intended to assist with the informed decision-making by our members, volunteers, coaches, staff and other individuals associated with Langley United as it relates to our club programming.



Return To Play Guidelines

ViaSport and BC Soccer released the Return To Play documents in June 2020, these have been updated for the 2021 season. These documents are noted & hyperlinked below. All Langley United members, volunteers and staff must ensure that these documents have been read.

<u>ViaSport Return To Play document</u>

BC Soccer Return To Play document





Soccer as we know it is in general terms an outdoor sport. Thus our fields are one of the safer environments. The Township of Langley hold the right to open and close fields as they feel fit in terms of safety. At the time of this document being published the status from the Township is that fields are not yet open for organized training.

Langley United will be implementing the following to ensure the venues are safe.

The LUSA Clubhouse at Willoughby Community Park

The Langley United Clubhouse will remain closed and any board meetings, coach meetings or any other meetings will be done via the various online platforms.

Changerooms at all the locations

All changerooms will be closed.

Equipment lockups and containers

Equipment will be sanitized by the Club after every session with the appropriate sanitization products.

Players must not handle or touch any equipment other than the soccer balls, and ONLY with the feet. Equipment will be stored in the same, secure location after sanitation.

Fields

Fields will only have identified entrances and one exits.

The start and end times of training sessions will have a "time break" between sessions to allow coaches and players the appropriate physical distancing requirements and guidelines of health authorities.

Player's should only bring the minimal of personal items in the form of a carry bag or backpack and must be placed in the designated locations taking physical distancing into account.

Sanitation stations with alcohol-based sanitizer will be available at every session and at each field for continued hand washing of players, technical staff, and volunteers.

Garbage Bins

Sealable TOL containers will be available at all locations where hygienic items like tissues, masks, gloves and towels must be disposed of after use.



Langley United will be running programming at the following locations, please click the park to gain information as it relates to entrance and exit directions:

Aldergrove Athletic Park

Noel Booth Park

Yorkson Park

Willoughby Community Park

NO SPECTATORS ARE ALLOWED AT THE FIELDS



Training Field / Venues

Only Willoughby Community Park and Walnut Grove Turf will be used for Langley United's player programming. This may change as we enter into phase 2 and or phase 3 of the Return To Play.

Traffic flow, drop off and pick up locations can be found at the following links:

Field – Willoughby Community Park

Field – Noel Booth

Field – Yorkson Turf & Grass

Field Aldergrove Athletic Park

Parents, guardians or other adults transporting the youth to training sessions are encouraged to drop off and go. If they are insistent on remaining at the field they are requested to remain in the vehicle in the parking area.

NO SPECTATORS ARE ALLOWED AT THE SIDE OF THE FIELDS

Check-In Requirements

All players, volunteers and technical staff participating in any of Langley United's programming after April 1, 2021, must check in prior to entering the field of play to a Langley United designated check in person at the entrance gate.

Players will remain in the set groups for the duration of the training or until phase 2 and / or phase 3 are implemented. Langley United will record training groups which will assist the health officials in the event of any COVID-19 outbreak

Illness Policy

Langley United has a revised Illness Policy that must be followed by all attending and or participating in any of the programming. Failure to follow this policy will result in removal from the session, short term suspensions and the most severe cases, removal from Langley United





Players

All adult players and parents/guardians of youth players must complete the LUSA Return To Play document before they will be allowed to participate in any LUSA programming. Not complying to this request will prevent players from participation in any of Langley United's programming, be this adult or youth.

Players must use the **Player Check List** to continually refresh themselves of the steps they must take to participate in any Langley United programming. This must be carried out before, during and after every training session. The checklist includes the requirement for players to dress at home and arrive in their training uniforms and boots. Players are required to bring their own hand sanitizer clearly labelled with their name for all training sessions. The sharing of sanitizers is not permitted.

Volunteer Coaches and LUSA Technical Staff

All volunteer coaches and technical staff must complete a Return To Play Document before they will be permitted to participate in any LUSA programming.

Coaches are asked to use the Coach Checklist to remind themselves of the steps they must take to participate in the LUSA programming before, during and after every session. This includes the requirement for a self assessment prior to attending any Club programming.

Technical Staff and Club volunteers will be educated on all sanitization requirements. Personal Protective Equipment kits have been assembled for any instance a technical staff member or volunteer find themselves unable to socially distance in an emergency (i.e., an injury on the field).



Township of Langley

The Township of Langley are in full sport of the Return To Play program and continually working with the various LSO's in order to ensure the Return To Play processes and protocols are followed. Langley United thank the TOL for their continued support.

https://www.tol.ca/connect/news-events-media/for-the-record/return-to-sport/

https://www.tol.ca/covid19/safetyguideline/



LUSA Youth Participant Waiver LUSA Adult Participant Waiver

All participants registered in any of the Langley United Programming, be this youth or adult must sign the respective Participant Waivers.

All members are required to complete the online waiver, with out this document being completed the player will not be allowed to partake in any LUSA Programming.

WAIVER LINK



Disclaimer

This Return to Play Plan is intended to be used for the purposes set in this document. While it has been written the Return To Play Plan with relevant information, as we know information available about the COVID-19 coronavirus and recommended health and safety measures can rapidly change no guarantee can be given as to completeness of any information provided in this Return To Play Plan.

In the event of concern or conflict between this Return To Play Plan, its referenced documents and the *Public Health Act*, regulations or orders thereunder, the *Public Health Act*, regulations and orders prevail. Nothing in this document is intended to provide legal advice.

This document contains links to third party web sites. Links are provided for convenience only and Langley United does not guarantee its accuracy, timeliness or fitness for a particular purpose. The information in those links may be updated from time to time.

Anyone choosing to participate in any Langley United programming does so at their voluntary and own risk. Choosing to participate is a personal decision that must be made with full information. Where a participant is identified as a "high risk" individual doctor's permission is strongly recommended before participation in any Langley United Soccer Association's activities.



https://www.healthlinkbc.ca/healthfeature/coronavirus-disease-covid-19

https://www.viasport.ca/news/covid-19updates-sport-organizations

https://www.viasport.ca/news/return-sport-guidelines-help-bc-sport-organizations-plan-reopening

https://sportlaw.ca/maintaining-safe-sport-during-covid-19/

https://sportmedbc.com/news/covid-19-health-guidelines-sport-organizations



Additional links: