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In light of the Governor's Maryland Strong Roadmap to Recovery, and in consultation with the County Health Officer while using recommendations from the National Recreation and Parks Association (NRPA) and the Centers for Disease Control, a plan was developed to reopen recreational opportunities/facilities to the public. In light of an increase in health metrics and to bring Baltimore County in line with surrounding jurisdictions the following guidelines are enacted. The Department will follow all State and Local Executive Orders related to recreational activities.

### **Effective February 1, 2021**

Guidelines are applicable to adult and youth activities

#### Recreation and Nature Operations

- Requests for field permits can be submitted to local Recreation Offices beginning February 1.
- Outdoor Nature classes and programs can operate.
- Permits will be issued to user groups consistent with Departmental approved policies and seasons of play. Athletic Fields are available for use on March 1<sup>st</sup>. Ball Diamonds are available for use on April 1<sup>st</sup>.
- Permitted groups will be required to wear masks at all times, masks are recommended for participants for on the field activities.
- Masks are required for coaches, officials and spectators. Players not engaged in on the field activities are required to wear a mask.
- Attendance for permitted activities is limited to players, coaches, officials and one parent/guardian per child.
- Appropriate social distancing must be practiced at all times when not engaged in on the field activities.
- Temperature checks, under 100.4 degrees Fahrenheit, are required for players, volunteers and coaches. Temperature logs must be maintained by permitted groups.
- Games and scrimmages are permitted.
- Appropriate use of PPE by park users.
- No tournaments are permitted at this time.
- No pavilion permits will be issued at this time.
- All indoor activities, programs and events remain closed at this time.
- Licensed Day Care and Learning Youth Clubs can continue to operate at this time.
- Outdoor restroom facilities will be modified in line with facility needs.
- Portable restrooms will remain closed.
- Playgrounds remain open.
- Outdoor Basketball courts remain open
- Outdoor tennis courts remain open.
- Dog Parks remain open.
- Skate Parks remain open.

**Failure to adhere to these guidelines may result in removal from Park property**