



May 15, 2020

To: Member Association Presidents  
Executive Directors/CEOs  
Association Officers  
Directors of Coaching

Recreation and Competitive Liaisons  
Head Registrars

We are all eager to return to the green grass of soccer fields across the state, but the pandemic remains as our first consideration for the safety of our players, parents, coaches and volunteers.

We are watching NC in the first phase of relaxing some restrictions, and the data should tell us the story later this month. We are also watching other states and other sports react with more or sometimes less restrictive plans.

We continue to live under a suspension of all NCYSA activities. The following decisions will guide your plans:

**The Spring Season is cancelled** for all remaining games for all ages and levels. Neither USYS nor NCYSA can imagine guidelines which can provide safe competitive play with current rules, virus levels, and protective equipment. Clubs may wish to use training, fun events or camps to finish out the team activities this summer when restrictions relax further.

**Our June 1 restart of training**, in small groups of 10 or less, will remain our plan. The NCYSA guidelines document will provide responsibilities for the club, coach, player, and parent, modeled on the USYS guidelines will follow the first of next week.

**Tryout dates will remain the same:**

- Tryouts for 11U and 12U players will start June 15, 2020 thru July 31, 2020
- Tryouts for 13U and older players will start June 22, 2020 thru July 31, 2020
- Tryouts for all girls 15U and older will be allowed between January 1<sup>st</sup> and July 31<sup>st</sup>.

Please share ideas, best practices, and any concerns through email to our staff, our webinars, and directly to your peers.

It is our goal to maintain a spirit of fun and enjoyment, while making sure we comply with all State rules in order to better protect the health of our community. We are excited to get started with these initiatives, and we hope this phased approach to play will take us back to playing the game we love sooner versus later.

We will have a checkpoint before June 1 as we watch the NC Government, CDC, USYS, and other guidance. We hope to see you all safe, healthy and on the field soon. We Are Youth Soccer!

*Please stay safe and use best of practices during this very difficult time,  
The NCYSA Executive Board*