

## Clarification of August 6th Statement

Per Governor Roy Cooper's announcement on Wednesday, August 6th, North Carolina will remain in Phase 2 of the state's reopening plan until September 11th. North Carolina's Phase 2 recommendations are reflected in the protocols in place for the North Carolina Youth Soccer membership.

NCYSA Return to Activity Guidelines are fashioned using U.S. Soccer Play ON Recommendations, US Youth Soccer Guidelines, and North Carolina State Guidelines focused on both COVID-19 considerations and overall health of our staff, players, and families. Please find clarification below regarding Guidelines provided in our August 6th, 2020 notification.

### NCYSA Phase 2 Scrimmaging is clarified as:

#### Effective Immediately:

- **Team small-sided activities & scrimmages are permissible** within the current practice groups. Reminder, per our Phase 2 Guidelines provided on June 2nd, practice groups are limited up to 25 players/coaches. This group of 25 may be a team, players from a pool, or recreation/academy players who have been grouped together in training.

#### Beginning August 21st (recommended if local Covid-19 numbers are improving in the club's area)

- **Team vs. Team scrimmage within the same NCYSA club is permissible beginning Friday, August 21st.** A team vs team scrimmage should be limited up to 25 total players/coaches on a field (Clubs should constantly monitor local health guidelines and any changes from the State.)

#### Additional Clarification:

- **No club to club scrimmages/games are permitted at this time.**
- **Notification to Travel to other states.** If travel is requested to an out-of-state tournament, NCYSA Notification to Travel rules will apply. Additionally for the team to receive approval, an email from their association president (or his/her designee) to Joette Kivett [joette@ncsoccer.org](mailto:joette@ncsoccer.org) is required, stating he/she reviewed safety plans and approves the travel. Upon receipt of the email, NCYSA will approve the requested Notification to Travel.