



**SALVO
SOCCER
CLUB**

LET'S PLAY!

Performance Bi-Weekly Update Sunday, May 24–Sunday, June 7



Hello Families,

Governor Walz has allowed the MN Stay Home order to expire transitioning to the MN Stay Safe order.

Salvo SC is preparing for ways to get players back on the field. We are committed to providing opportunities that follow the guidance of MN Dept of Health and CDC with a focus on the health and safety of its players, families, coaches, and community.

We look forward to getting players and coaches back on the field. We will be enforcing policies without exception to keep players, families, coaches, and staff safe.

In Phase 2, outdoor practices will look and feel different.

We realize that some families will not feel comfortable resuming outdoor group practices at this time. We want to be clear that a decision not to participate will not affect your player's current or future status with Salvo Soccer Club.

This email will cover the following items:

- Club Wide Zoom Pause
- Club Defined Phases
- Return to Play
- Opt-In and Opt-Out Registration Process
- Phase 2 Team Training
- Refunds
- Return to Play Phase 2 Protocols

Club Wide Zoom Pause

In response to feedback from families, coaches, and directors, we are going to

pause Zoom meetings this week, beginning Monday, May 25–Sunday, May 31.

Zoom meetings led by coaches and directors should not take place as we prepare to enter a new phase of play beginning the week of June 1.

9–12 Players only Zoom meetings should take a break.

13+ Players only Zoom meetings can continue.

For the 13+ Players only Zoom meetings, we have challenged the coaches to encourage the players to take ownership of them, find a leader for the group, work together as a team to pick the day, time, and topic, and be respectful of each other. Parents should not be participating in these meetings.

Club Defined Phases

Phase 1 – Digital soccer

Phase 2 – Social Distancing, with limited numbers (9 or fewer players) on the field, with strong hygienic measures, and no at the field spectators

Phase 3 – Social distancing, with the full team on the field with strong hygienic measures, and no at the field spectators

Phase 4 – Games, social distancing for players when not playing, strong hygienic measures, and social distancing of spectators

Phase 5 – Return to pre-COVID 19 conditions

Return to Play – What are you agreeing to?

Leagues will not be played this summer per communication from TCSL and MYSA this week.

Salvo Soccer Club will continue programming through June and July. We plan to play internal scrimmages when we move into Phase 4. Movement between phases will be in accordance with the Stay Safe Plan and specific Youth Sports Guidelines. All on-field soccer will adhere to the Minnesota state guidelines for youth sport.

In preparation for our transition to Phase 2 and beyond we are asking you to **OPT-IN** or **OPT-OUT**. Continuing to train will slightly impact a family's overall refund.

As a family, you can return any time, but to return, you must opt-in.

Complete Return to Play registration by –**Wednesday, May 27** – this must be completed by all players whether you are opting **IN** or **OUT**

What does **OPT-IN** mean?

Your player will participate in the phased return to play training with social distancing.

As phases advance, we will advance what we do at training continuing to apply social distancing guidance throughout the process. When able to get to Phase 4 as described above, this will include playing games versus other metro clubs with

continued adherence to social distancing guidance.

Out of state travel is not permissible at this time based upon the Phase of our state. Our governing bodies (US Club and USYS) will not allow for out-of-state competition until our state is back to Phase 5. Not following this guidance impacts our insurance.

Phased training will begin the week of June 1 and conclude the week of July 20, as long as our state guidance allows. Phased training will be 2-3 times a week for 75-90 minutes. The goal is to get everyone on the field 3x per week, but field limitations due to return to play protocols may impact this.

When you OPT-IN you are committed for the duration of the program and there will be no adjustments to refunds throughout the OPT-IN period.

Your refund will still be processed after July 1, as organizations that we have paid money to from your fees have not informed us of refunds. These organizations include but are not limited to leagues and tournaments.

What does **OPT-OUT** mean?

Your player will not be participating in any phased on-field training. We want to be clear that a decision not to participate will not affect your player's current or future status with Salvo Soccer Club.

This decision does not release your player from the club as club activities continue. Your release from our club is July 24.

Your refund will still be processed after July 1, as organizations that we have paid money to from your fees have not informed us of refunds. These organizations include but are not limited to leagues and tournaments.

Opt-IN and Opt-OUT Registration Process

Go to https://salvosoccer.demosphere-secure.com/_registration

Step 1.3 select Register a Participant

Step 2.1 select Household Member to Register

Step 2.2 select '20 Return to Play - '20 Return to Play

Complete the rest of the registration.

You will need to sign off on Return to Play Protocols regardless of your decision

Phase 2 Team Training

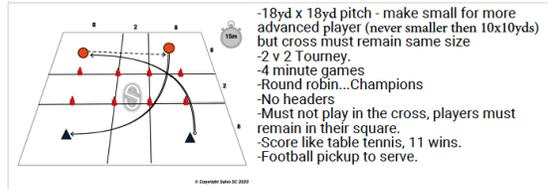
The week of June 1, we will begin team training. Based on your feedback, we will form training groups on teams first. We will be consistent about training groups in the case of a player or family exposure to COVID-19. Consistency with training groups will improve our ability to inform players and families that may have been exposed.

We do not know the duration of any phase the Governor and MN Dept of Health will dictate transitions.

Phase 2 Team Training will focus on improving technique, fitness, and socially distanced team building.

Below are examples of activities we will utilize during Phase 2.

During Phase 2 training, we will not have GKs using their hands during Team Training sessions. We are working on designing GK specific sessions but based upon feedback from our GK Director and other staff, the benefit of having GKs back with their teams and improving their foot skills outweighs GK specific training.



Social Distancing at all times with players being at least 6ft apart. Players will be locked into grid based activities to insure proper distancing.

Focus on technical development while practicing Social Distancing. If a ball is touched by a player's hands play will be stopped and the ball will be re-sanitized.

Refunds

All families will receive a refund. The amount of your refund will vary based on the following items:

- Your decision to OPT-IN or OPT-OUT
- Amounts that will be refunded by MYSA and other organizations for events/leagues that have been canceled.

Salvo will continue to assess overall refund amounts as we determine costs and refunds from outside organizations.

Please do not email requests regarding refund information. As soon as we have refunds confirmed, we will communicate amounts to families.

Return to Play Phase 2 Protocols

THE PLAYER – detailed protocol will be sent prior to being on the field

At home:

Complete the MN Symptom Screener: <https://mn.gov/covid19/for-minnesotans/if-sick/is-it-covid/index.jsp>

Stay home if they are sick or displaying COVID 19 related symptoms. Please notify the club at covid-19@salvosoccer.org

At the field:

Players must keep a minimum of 6ft from teammates at all times

Go to the designated field with a mask on, find an empty cone (safe space), place bag with sanitizer, rag, and water near the cone, players may remove masks, place the ball on the ground, and sanitize hands

Once all players are present, the coach will spray the players' ball with sanitizer.

Player will wipe their ball with their rag

Players will be 6ft apart and will not touch the ball with their hands during the training session.

During a session, if a player becomes ill, we will immediately isolate the player

who becomes ill and contact the parent/guardian.

Post-session:

Collect items from cone place mask on, leave the field to the designated pick-up spot.

Once home wash hands, remove all gear from your bag and wash each item.

THE FAMILY – detailed protocol will be sent prior to being on the field

At home:

Complete the MN Symptom Screener: <https://mn.gov/covid19/for-minnesotans/if-sick/is-it-covid/index.jsp>

Stay home if you or your child are sick or displaying COVID 19 related symptoms.

Please notify the club at covid-19@salvosoccer.org

During the session:

Drop player at designated drop off-site no earlier than 10 minutes ahead of a start time

Stay in cars to observe training or drop and go. You must return on time to pick-up

There is NO congregating during the session

In the case families are not remaining in their car, Field Marshall (staff) will remind families to return to their vehicle once. A second reminder will result in the child's dismissal from the session, and the family will forfeit the opportunity to return to training for the duration of Phase 2

Post-Session:

Ensure the child's clothing is washed before and after each training session

Ensure the child's training equipment is washed/sanitized before and after each training session

Notify club if your child or someone in your home becomes ill with COVID-19 symptoms at covid-19@salvosoccer.org

THE COACH – detailed protocol will be sent prior to being on the field

At home:

Complete our employee symptom screener

<https://covid19symptomchecker.spectrumhealth.org/welcome> email screenshot to covid-19@salvosoccer.org

Stay home if you are sick or displaying COVID 19 related symptoms. Please notify your Director ASAP.

At the field:

Between sessions spray down all cones utilized with sanitizer and sanitize hands

Take attendance of players

Spray ball with sanitizer for players to wipe down with their rags

Adhere to club social distancing and hygiene measures – no high fives, only the coach handles equipment, wear masks during sessions

If a coach becomes ill at the field, they will inform the Field Marshall (staff) and leave the field immediately.

Post-session:

Complete the attendance forms

Wash clothing after each training session

Sanitize equipment after each training session

Notify club if you or someone in your home becomes ill with COVID-19

symptoms at covid-19@salvosoccer.org

THE CLUB – detailed protocol will be sent prior to being on the field

At home:

Field Marshall (staff) will be assigned

Field Marshall (staff) will complete the symptom checker:

<https://covid19symptomchecker.spectrumhealth.org/welcome> email screenshot to covid-19@salvosoccer.org

Stay home if you are sick or displaying COVID 19 related symptoms. Please notify [Peter Rivard](#) and [Lisa Wolf](#) immediately.

At the field:

Field Marshall (staff) will monitor drop-off and pick-up to ensure social distancing

Field Marshall (staff) will have additional sanitizer and necessary equipment

Field Marshall (staff) will handle during session sickness protocols – if sickness will notify the club at covid-19@salvosoccer.org

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Post-Session:

In the event of a coach or player becoming ill, Salvo SC will contact families, letting them know that a child or coach became sick or is sick from their group of 10.

Thanks for being a part of our club

Questions, comments, and concerns can be sent to covid-19@salvosoccer.org

For more information visit the following websites:

- [Centers for Disease Control and Prevention \(CDC\)](#)
- [Stay Safe MN](#)
- [U.S. Soccer](#)
- [U.S. Youth Soccer](#)
- [U.S. Club Soccer](#)

