

Suncats Softball Practice and Inner-Squad COVID-19 Precautions:

- Coaches/ Players will be emailed a certification form that all of their players, coaches and parents have self-certified that they are non-symptomatic and that form must be turned in prior to warm up on both Saturday & Sunday.
- All players and coaching staff entering the complex/practice fields will be temperature checked.
- All Suncats staff and field staff will be encouraged to wear masks and maintain social distancing. (Site directors, umpires, concessions, gatekeeper, field prep, etc)
- Teams will be responsible for cleaning the dugouts once all equipment is removed and prior to the next team coming in. Teams will also maintain the game balls and are welcome to clean them as often as they feel necessary.
- Suncats Staff will be continuously sanitizing equipment, restrooms, countertops, door handles, etc. Balls will be sanitized in between innings and games (Players use all of their own equipment, no sharing gloves, bats, helmets, etc.)
- There will be no seating in the bleachers. Fans will be asked to bring their own chairs. All spectators must sit along the outfield foul line or behind the outfield fence and maintain appropriate social distancing.
- The Bleachers will become an extension of the dugout for players and coaches to maintain social distancing. Only three players will be allowed in the dugout. Remaining players will be in bleachers or directly behind the dugout maintaining 6' social distancing.
- No Sunflower seeds or spitting.
- No team coolers will be allowed in the dugout. Each player should have their own water bottle/jug and labeled with their own name.
- There will be designated warm up areas for teams with plenty of space to maintain social distancing.
- Masks are mandated to be worn by all players, parents and coaches while walking but are optional during field workouts.
- Practices and Inner squads will be modified to minimize team cross over throughout the day. Parents/Spectators will be allowed into the park just prior to the start of game and must immediately exit the park when games are finished.
- Each team would be permitted 1 representative to online stream video for spectators not attending games. The area behind backstop/home plate will remain clear for College Coaches and Suncats staff.
- Hand sanitizing stations will be placed in all dugouts, bathrooms and throughout the park/school or facility.
- There will be no player huddles permitted during games and visits to the circle must maintain appropriate social distancing.
- There will be no handshakes at the pregame meeting or after the game. Players are not allowed at the Home Plate Pre-game meeting. Teams are encouraged to line up on the infield foul line maintaining social distancing and applaud each other.

The safety of our players, parents, coaches and staff is our first priority. We will be working hard to constantly sanitize ourselves and disinfect areas throughout the park! We understand some of these changes might be challenging but if we all work together and take these precautions we can enjoy and play softball in the safest way possible.