



2021 SEASON

***COVID-19
Addendum***

COVID Addendum to 2021 Flatirons Parent Handbook

This document is a COVID addendum to Flatirons Volleyball Club 2021 Parent Handbook.

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The 2020-2021 Club Volleyball Season will be unique in many ways. One of the prevailing themes will be one of continual change and adjustment. This season will be an exercise in patience and flexibility.

TRAVEL: Out of state travel to a National Qualifier tournament depends on the status of COVID and the associated rules and regulations plus the recommendations set forth by scientists and medical doctors.

Before a final decision is made, Flatirons will discuss with and/or poll parents to get their feelings about traveling out of state. Travel arrangements and Tournament entry typically take place in November.

STAYING SAFE AND PROTECTING YOUR TEAMMATES: For the first time ever, Flatirons is seriously requesting players to commit to going above and beyond to stay healthy and protect their teammates and coaches.

We ask you to refrain from behaviors that could put teammates and Flatirons staff at risk for the Corona Virus. This includes the basics such as always wearing a face covering in public, regularly washing hands, keeping social distance and not touching your face. It also includes saying no to attending events where there will be large groups of people in close proximity.

PLANS FOR AN OUTBREAK: Flatirons will refer to the Colorado State Outbreak Handbook for guidance in the event of exposure or diagnosis. In the event of a pause in the season due to an exposure, the affected team members will train virtually. The time frame is usually 14 days.

In the event the season is ordered to stop, Flatirons VBC will decide whether or not to restart. This will be based on feedback from parents, trusted scientific reports, recommendations from USA Volleyball and the Rocky Mountain Region, as well as restrictions set forth by the State of Colorado, CDC and local government officials.

REFUNDS: In club sports, the bulk of the expense is paid out at the beginning of the season. Flatirons is considering a separate COVID payment plan where the initial costs will be higher followed by lower monthly amounts. In the event Flatirons deems it necessary to end the season with no hope of restarting, remaining payments could be canceled or suspended.

UNIFORMS: *new for 2021* In order to contain costs, we are using the same uniform pieces (when available) that we wore for the 2020 season. If your Flatirons uniform and warm up pieces are in near perfect condition, you may wear them again this season. Keep in mind, if more than one player holds the same jersey number, we'll have to work things out.

The uniform ordering process will be via an online system/ordering from a custom website with payment due at the time of your order. Be sure to carefully read all the ordering instructions as items are not returnable or refundable.

A new look for Flatirons this year will be a mix and match look. Players new to Flatirons will have some different items than returning players. Please note masks are required and all players must order the two masks offered in the uniform package. All players must also order the 2021 practice shirts.

PREVENTION AND SAFETY: Flatirons will be following all rules set forth by State, CDC and local authorities. This includes the standard directives to wear facial coverings, wash hands and keep distance to the best of our ability.

Temperatures will be taken prior to practice. Coaches will track attendance. Spectators, parents, friends, siblings and relatives are not allowed in buildings. Players must wear their mask upon arrival and departure to and from practice. The current ruling is masks must be worn during practice. Flatirons will have masks and hand sanitizer on hand at practices.

Players need to notify their coach and Flatirons Volleyball Club if COVID symptoms appear and if there has been an exposure. We will follow the Outbreak Handbook provided by the State of Colorado when there is an exposure or diagnosis.

Prevention and Safety measures will be updated via email to families as new information is released.

INSURANCE:

JVA (Junior Volleyball Association) recommends parents consider insurance that covers an interrupted season due to unexpected circumstances. Be sure to read the fine print; while they hint they're covering COVID related issues, it would be best to thoroughly examine the policy.

The JVA is pleased to announce a partnership with USSCI to help volleyball athletes that are impacted by the unexpected. Every year thousands of athletes find themselves unable to play the sport they love due to injuries, mental illness, or even unexpected financial hardship. USSCI provides sports fee insurance that insures the financial commitment parents make to have their athlete on a team.

USSCI website: <https://usscinsurance.com/>

SUBJECT TO CHANGE

The one constant to the Corona Virus is the fact that information, recommendations, and rules change frequently.

Thank you in advance for your patience!

