



UNIVERSITY OF UTAH ATHLETICS



*COVID – 19 – PLAN OF STUDENT-ATHLETE
RE-ENTRY*



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OVERVIEW

- #1 guiding principle is the health and safety of student-athletes and staff
- All protocols created in accordance with State, Federal, NCAA & Pac-12 Guidelines
- Goals:
 - Create safe and manageable return groups of student-athletes/staff
 - Decentralize potential areas of congestion and cross-contamination amongst teams/student-athletes
 - Create a contact tracing system within the department



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WHY PHASE IN?

- Low-Risk vs. High-Risk exposure
- Low-Risk - Distance of 6', < 3 min with infected person wearing mask, no physical contact, working groups are OK
- Symptomatic person removed, rest of group can work
- High-Risk - Distance of less than 6', >3 min (even with mask), direct exposure (coughed on), and/or physical contact (i.e. use of common ball)
- Quarantine, contact tracing and testing of all individuals
- Initial return needs to create low-risk exposures to prevent mass exposures
- Helps to establish a departmental baseline
- Prepare manageable working groups
- Positive COVID-19 tests can be easily controlled and not allowed to grow quickly
- Establish a culture of compliance and social awareness to help build long-term success
- After 14 days together, can initiate high-risk activities with testing (i.e. playing sports)



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Student-Athletes Phased Return

<u>PHASE #</u>	<u>RETURN DATE</u>	<u>SPORT(S)</u>	<u>ATHLETES</u>
1	June 15 th	FB, MB, WB, Gym, VB, Soc	In-State Returning Student-Athletes
2	June 22 nd	FB, MB, WB, Gym, VB, Soc	Out of State Returning Student-Athletes
3	June 28 th	FB, MB, WB, Gym, VB, Soc	All New Athletes – <u>HOUSING DEPENDENT</u>
NA	June 29 th	Re-evaluation of first 3 phases to determine further phases	
4	Potentially July 13 th	ALL SPORTS	In-State Returning Student-Athletes
5	Potentially July 20 th	ALL SPORTS	Out of State Returning Student-Athletes
6	Potentially July 27 th	ALL SPORTS	All New Local Athletes
7	August 24 th	ALL SPORTS	All Utah Student-Athletes Return

****Note: All phases dates, and groupings are subject to change****



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PRIOR TO VOLUNTARY WORKOUTS

- Prior to return, student-athletes and staff will be required to complete a COVID-19 screening form
 - Student-athletes will receive an antibody test to determine any additional cardiac screening
 - Student-athletes will receive PCR COVID-19 test for active shedding of virus
 - Staff will be tested based on their contact with student athletes and tier of return
- Symptom check-point longevity will be color-dependent. Regardless of state color, all student-athletes/staff required to complete check-in station review and temperature check before entering the facilities during phase-in periods (first 14 days of individual return)
 - Using electronic survey to help streamline the process and maintain a record
 - Anyone entering a facility must have appropriate daily wristband and face covering
 - Student-athletes will be escorted to and from training facility and within all facilities
 - All student-athletes cleared to workout will be on a roster at the check point with a report time; student-athletes not on that roster or who fail to report at the correct time will NOT be granted access to the facility
- All student-athletes, coaches and staff will be subject to COVID-19 protocols and standards **NO EXCEPTIONS!**



ILLNESS POLICY

- What happens when someone reports they are sick?
- Evaluation done over the phone with physician referral
- Medication given, if symptoms of COVID-19 exist, student-athlete will be sent for testing and ordered to self-isolate
- Anyone else who has had high-risk exposure will need self isolation until we know test results
- High Risk Exposures
 - Quarantine at home for 14 days, or;
 - Quarantine at home with tests on Day 3 and Day 5
 - If both tests are negative, student-athlete can return to activity; considered negative