



RBI Austin Health Safety Rulebook

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All RBI Austin games and practices shall be held without spectators other than one parent or guardian per participant.

All people attending or participating in an RBI Austin event or function must:

- 1) Not attend if you or any member of your household is sick.
- 2) Wear a face covering that covers your nose and mouth, *except while a player or coach is playing on the field, at which time those participants should pull down or remove the face covering.*
- 3) Upon arrival, thoroughly wash your hands with soap and water, or use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol.
- 4) Stay at least 6 feet away from non-household members, except as otherwise required for participants on the field in the natural course of playing baseball/softball (such as a tag being applied to the baserunner).

RBI Austin administrators will:

- 1) Require any participant, volunteer or spectator that is known to have been tested for COVID-19 or has been told to self-isolate to remain off facility grounds for 14 days or until a negative result has been presented (doctor's note), whichever is sooner.
- 2) Clean and disinfect frequently touched surfaces and equipment (including but not limited to balls, restrooms, and dugouts).
- 3) Provide social distancing markers on bleachers for spectators.
- 4) Provide social distancing markers on benches and dugout.
- 5) As needed to allow maximum spacing in dugouts, form an extended dugout by adding seats beyond the standard dugout. *Additional seats shall not be on the playing field.*
- 6) Post signs at ball fields and other event spaces stating health safety guidelines.

Any attendees or participants who violate the RBI Austin Health Safety Rulebook will be asked either to comply immediately or leave the premises. In the event a person in violation refuses to comply or leave the premises, the event will be suspended until a later time or canceled.

Thank you for following this rulebook to maximize the health and safety of our community!

As future conditions might dictate, updates will be made to this RBI Austin Health Safety Rulebook.

Notice to parents and guardians: according to the State of Texas, there are enhanced risks of participants being in direct contact with anyone age 65 or older for 14 days after participating in a youth sporting event or practice.



RBI Austin Health Safety Rulebook Supplement
Game & Practice Protocols

Team Duties (Players and Coaches):

- 1) Wear a face covering that covers your nose and mouth, *except while playing on the field, at which time you should pull down or remove the face covering from your face.*
- 2) Stay at least 6 feet away from non-household members when possible.
- 3) No food allowed in/on field and dugouts/benches.
- 4) No sharing of water bottles or sports drink bottles.
- 5) Keep personal belongings, such as bag, labeled and never share.
- 6) No end of game “good game” high fives.

Coaches Duties:

Upon arrival at each practice and game:

- 1) Player/Coach Sign-In: sign in each player and coach by verbally asking the RBI Austin Health Safety Sign-In Questions and submitting responses in Google form on your phone.
- 2) Spray hand sanitizer on each player’s and coach’s hand, and ask them to wipe onto other hand.
- 3) Wipe or spray disinfectant on team equipment, including bats, balls, helmets, and catchers gear.

During each practice and game:

- 4) Wipe or spray disinfectant on:
 - a. Each bat after each use
 - b. Each batting helmet after each use
 - c. Each set of catchers gear before a new catcher puts on the gear.

After each practice and game:

- 5) Clean and wipe or spray disinfectant on the dugout benches and chairs your team used.

Gameday Operations:

Participant Arrival:

- 1) **At games all participants (players, coaches, umpires)** must upon arrival, be screened for a fever with a non-contact thermometer administered by authorized RBI Austin personnel.

Baseball/Softball Umpires:

- 2) Wipe or spray disinfectant on each ball at end of each inning.
- 3) Home plate umpire shall stand 10 feet behind the catcher or 10 feet behind the pitcher.

Health Safety Umpire:

- 4) Each game shall have an assigned Health Safety Umpire dedicated to ensuring the health protocols adopted by RBI Austin are being successfully implemented and followed.