



# Covid Management, Policy, Procedures: **Fall 2021\***

## August 26, 2021: Masks & Fully-Vaccinated\* Update

*\* = It's been a minimum of 2 weeks since your 2<sup>nd</sup> Moderna or Pfizer shot, OR since your single Johnson & Johnson shot*

### **FULLY-VACCINATED INDIVIDUALS – Coaches, Players, Referees, Spectators**

- No longer need to wear a mask

### **IF NOT VACCINATED**

- If unable to maintain 6 feet of physical distance from others, continue to wear a mask in those circumstances
- Examples: on a crowded sideline during a game; at the concession stand or in the restroom
- Specific to referees: unvaccinated referees must wear a mask during the pregame check-in.

### **FACILITY or COMMUNITY POLICY/RULES/GUIDELINES ALWAYS COME FIRST**

- Local facility/field rules regarding more strict mask requirements take precedence over Iowa Soccer's updated allowance nearly eliminating mask wearing. Compliance with field/facility mask wearing is expected.

### **A POSITIVE COVID TEST BY A PLAYER OR COACH**

- If a team was exposed to this person, the team *no longer* is required to suspend activity or quarantine per Iowa Soccer policy.
  - However, the positive test **MUST** still be reported to Iowa Soccer via the online reporting form.
  - AND, if the exposure was in more close quarters (i.e. a carpool, indoor team bonding activity), the team may still need to quarantine. Check with local health officials to determine if quarantine is necessary.
  - AND, local guidelines regarding quarantine situations take precedence over Iowa Soccer policy.
- Players or coaches who test positive must be cleared to play via:
  - A doctor, or have been symptom-free for minimum of 72 hours AND have been at least 10 days beyond the date the test was taken or the date symptoms appeared.

### **VACCINATION VERIFICATION**

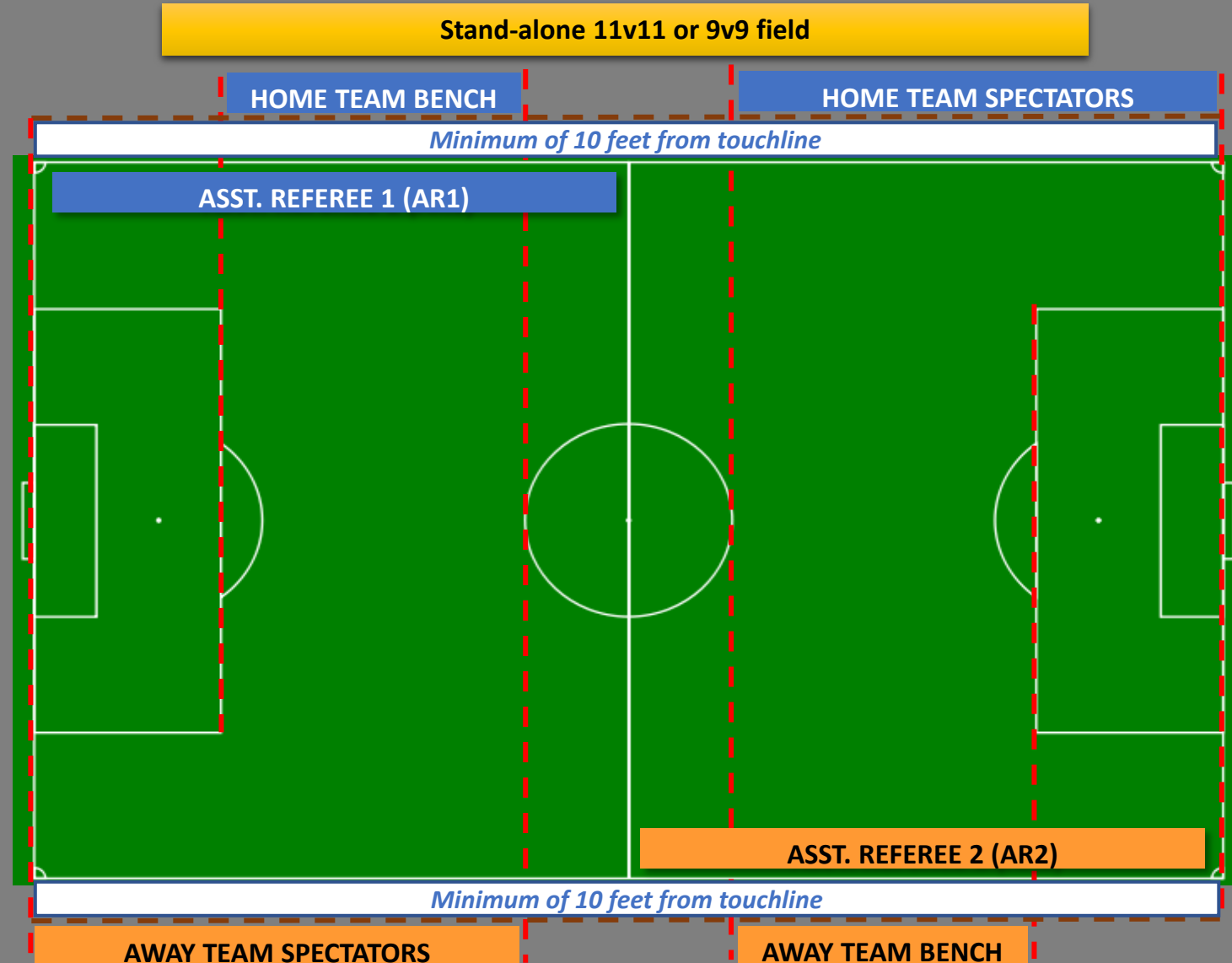
- There will not be a process by which Iowa Soccer or any clubs will verify vaccination status. As with our approach last fall, we all need to do our part to mitigate a soccer activity leading to an outbreak in positive cases. Please continue your efforts to contribute to creating a more safe, and more close to normal, soccer experience for all participants this fall!



# Recommended Field Layout: *Fall 2021\**

## Fields & Facilities

- Teams will be placed on opposite sides of field, on the half of the field that the AR is on.
- Strongly recommended that team bench/technical and spectator areas are marked with/by painted areas.
- The home team will be on the AR1 side of the field.
- Parents and spectators will sit on the same side of field as their team, located on the other half of the field.
- Team technical area will be between the bottom of the center circle to the top of the penalty area (see diagram).
- See diagram for allowable areas for teams and spectators to be seated; minimum 10 feet back from the touchline.
- Game transitions: next teams to play on that field should not enter technical areas until previous teams have left; same for parents and spectators.
- Sanitize match balls, and if facility provides team benches, sanitize team benches.
- As possible with scheduling, try to stagger or limit games being played at same time on side-by-side fields.

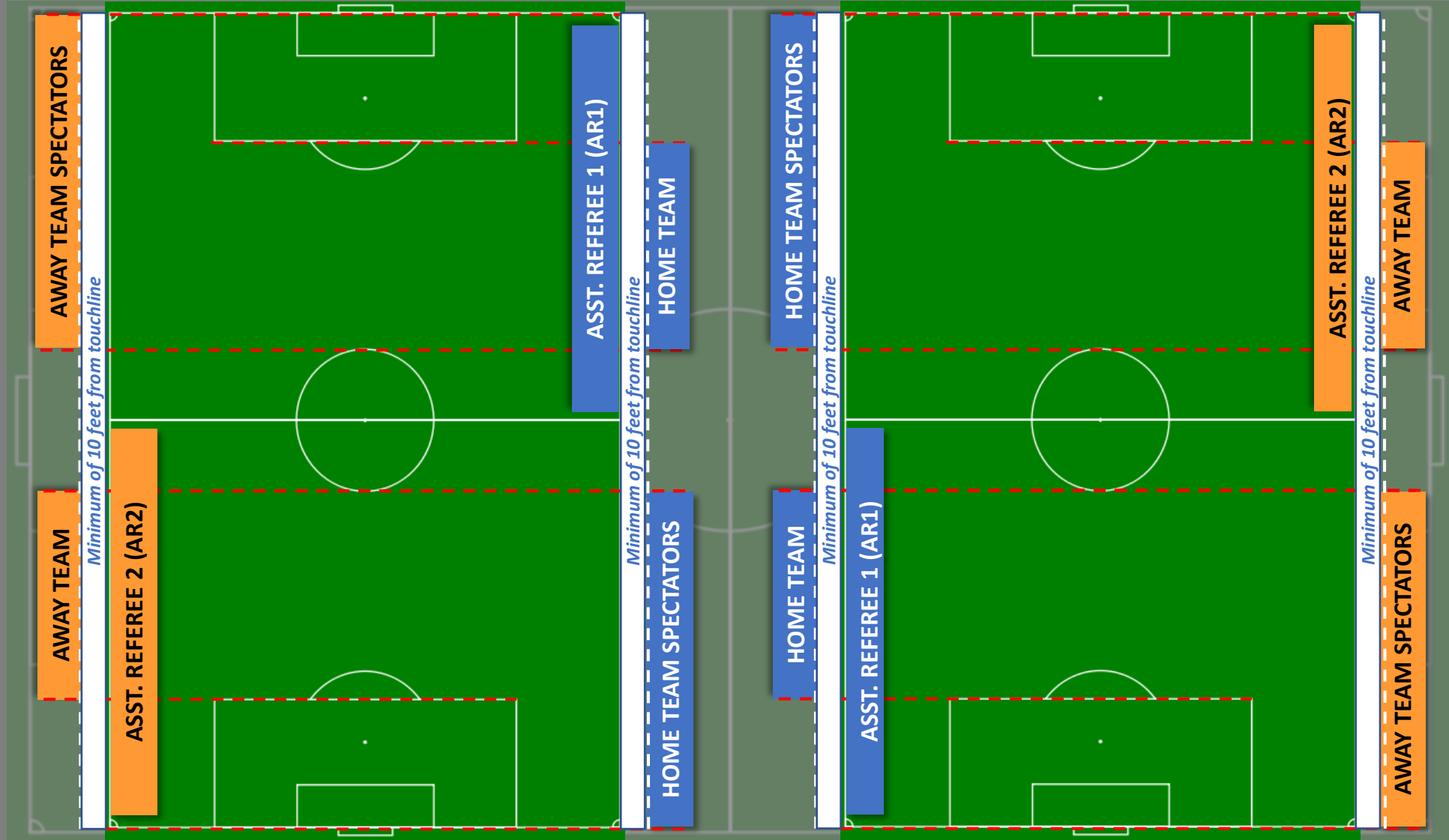




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Small-sided, side-by-side fields that go across a full-sized field

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Multiple small-sided fields that fill a full-sized field

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