

## WATER OAK SOFTBALL FIELD RULES 2020-2021

The Water Oak Softball Association has set forth the following recommendations for the upcoming 2020-2021 softball season due to the COVID pandemic. In the event of a positive test with exposure to a Water Oak softball member, the current CDC guidelines for quarantine and related preventative measures will be observed. The following recommendations will be followed during softball games at Water Oak:

### TEAM & PLAYER RESPONSIBILITIES

1. Visiting teams will limit their personnel to players, coaches and scorekeeper.
2. Players are not allowed to share gloves.
3. Batting gloves are encouraged, as bats may be used by multiple players.
4. The bleachers next to the dugouts will be reserved for softball players. This will permit softball players to observe social distancing.
5. Limit the number of players in the main dugout area to coaches, scorekeepers and upcoming batters.
6. Players entering the field, will do so through the main dugout area. Players exiting the field will return to the player seating areas by walking behind the player dugout.
7. A 6 foot roped off area behind the player designated areas will allow for social distancing and easier access to the extended dugout seating.
8. Players should avoid making unnecessary contact with teammates, such as high fives and other celebrations.
9. Players are being asked to bring their own beverages, as the drinking fountains will NOT be operating. The dugout fans will be operating.
10. Hand sanitizer will be available in each dugout and at the announcer's booth.
11. Announcer's Booth: only the announcer and scoreboard keeper will be allowed in the booth.
12. Pledge of Allegiance: Visitors will form two lines- players will socially distance along 3<sup>rd</sup> base line and in front of the dugout fence. Water Oak players will take the field for the pledge, with the remaining players socially distance along 1<sup>st</sup> base line.

### FAN RESPONSIBILITIES

1. There will be limited seating next to our home dugout for Water Oak fans.
2. The bleachers will be closed (roped off) for expanded player dugout use.
3. Visiting team's fans are discouraged from attending games.
4. Water Oak fans may park their golf carts and lawn chairs down the left and right field foul lines, and along with the center field fence line. Carts should be parked 6 feet apart.
5. Water Oak fans are asked to observe social distancing guidelines and avoid gathering in groups.

### SNACK SHACK RESPONSIBILITIES

**\*Water Oak Admin has yet to determine an opening date of our Snack Shack services.\***

1. Signs will be posted for social distancing and the patio concrete will have tape marking proper distance while in line.
2. Snack Shack workers will wear a face cover and plastic gloves.
3. All condiments will be upon request, and as well as individually wrapped utensils.
4. Fans must wear face covering while ordering at the Snack Shack window.
5. The Snack Shack will have hand sanitizer.
6. Seating will be restricted/limited under our picnic table area.