



NEIGHBORHOOD SPORTS

Return-to-Play (RTP) Policy

Purpose

This policy establishes guidelines to ensure the safe return of participants following injury. Player safety is the top priority at all times.

General Principle

When in doubt, players will not return to play until it is safe to do so.

Immediate Removal

- Any player showing signs of injury will be removed immediately
- No player may continue if safety is in question
- Staff, coaches, or officials may remove players at any time

Injury Evaluation

Coaches and staff do not diagnose injuries. Parents/guardians are notified immediately and are responsible for seeking medical evaluation when necessary.

Medical Clearance

Players must be symptom-free and may be required to provide written clearance from a licensed medical provider before returning to play.

Gradual Return

- Light activity before full return
- Progressive increase in participation
- Stop activity if symptoms return

Parent Responsibilities

- Monitor recovery
- Communicate with league officials
- Provide medical clearance when required

Authority

Neighborhood Sports reserves the right to restrict participation if safety concerns exist.

Policy Statement

Neighborhood Sports prioritizes safety and follows a 'safety first' approach for all participants.