



2020-21 CROSS COUNTRY GUIDELINES & COVID-19 MODIFICATIONS

Foundational Statement

The following guidelines and modifications were created to allow for the safe participation of student-athletes during the Covid-19 Pandemic. The following guidelines follow best practices and recommendations from the CIF, the National Federation of State High School Associations (NFHS), and will continue to remain within the scope of all state public health orders.

WIDESPREAD

General Guidelines

- Cross country meets should consider using staggered, wave or interval starts.
- Masks shall be worn at all times by all individuals in attendance other than when engaged in competition.
- Social distancing measures shall be in place at all times other than when engaged in competition.

Event Modifications

- Consider widening the course to at least 6-feet at its narrowest point.
- Finish line area should be enlarged to provide for social distancing guidelines

Pre-Post Meet Ceremony

Do not shake hands before or after the races/events.

Pre-Post Meet Conference

- Follow social distancing guidelines:
 - Pre and Post Meet conferences,
 - Clerking at the start line,
 - Tabulations and posting of results.
- Officials continue to use their own personal equipment

Water Bottles & Hydration Stations

- Team members shall not share water bottles.
- Hydration stations may be utilized but shall be touched only by a single appointed monitor.

State Championships

- Awards ceremonies will be limited to ensure safe social distancing and to minimize mass gatherings.
- Social distancing measures shall be in place at all times other than when engaged in competition.