



Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ's)



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1. What are the new rules/changes in procedures to indoor soccer as a result of the ongoing health crisis?

Brantford City Soccer Club (BCSC) has implanted a multitude of new measures in an effort to keep everyone safe while participating/viewing Indoor soccer. Although there has been many changes to the procedures around the game and keeping everyone safe there are only a few changes to the actual way we play soccer:

- I) Players are not permitted to touch the balls during the game at any time, only the goalies may do so.
- II) Goalie Changes reduced to one (1) per game (at half time).
- III) Spectators are limited to one (1) per player in attendance.
- IV) The Length of the games had been reduced by four (4) minutes, with half-time being eliminated.
- V) Parents will be required to sign-in their child online on our website prior to each session.

The full list of modifications to indoor play is available [here](#).

2. Why are there no soccer tryouts for 2021?

At this time Ontario Soccer has not permitted clubs to hold tryouts for the 2021 season. Ontario Soccer is encouraging soccer clubs to continue forward with training/exhibitions amongst the teams currently in place.

3. What is the September 2020 Rep Skill Showcase?

Brantford City Soccer Club is running a Rep Skill Showcase in September 2020. This is a new and a free program for players (both boys and girls) born between 2003 and 2013 who have an interest in playing a higher caliber level than the traditional house league program.

This program involves a twenty-five (25) minute session where registered players will be participating in a variety of skill based drills and technical exercises. These sessions will be run by our **2020 Rep Soccer Skill Showcase coaches**, who can be viewed [here](#). These sessions follow all Ontario Soccer and public health guidelines.

The Skill Showcase session will provide the now club registered players an opportunity to fill vacant spaces on our current 2020 September Rep Soccer teams. These players will be joining the teams, immediately, for the remainder of the current 2020 season. The current season will rollover into indoor etc. with teams moving from outdoor to indoor training in November. These now club-registered players will be given first consideration to continue to train and move forward with the teams in subsequent programming offerings.

4. Is it safe to return to soccer?

The government of Ontario has [approved](#) Ontario Soccer to resume league sports, pending confirmation of a plan to Safely Return to Sport by the governmental sports body (Canada Soccer). Canada Soccer has approved Brantford City Soccer Club's Return to Play plan, (the indoor iteration can be accessed [here](#)) which addresses all necessary areas to ensure the safety of all players, spectators, team officials, match officials and club officials at all times.

The final decision on if it is safe to return to soccer however, is one that must be made by individual families. Although BCSC has set the stage with all measures necessary in place to ensure the sport can be enjoyed in a safe manner for all participants, individual families should evaluate their own sentiments and decide whether to return based on their personal considerations and comfort levels.