

## Proposal for East Montpelier Rec 2020 Fall soccer season (COVID-19)

School sports guidelines as of August 12, 2020

<https://education.vermont.gov/sites/aoe/files/documents/edu-anr-fall-sports-programs-for-the-2020-2021-school-year.pdf>

Highlights for the season:

- No pre-K or K program
- Hold on decision for 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> grader program until after school starts. If this seems like a feasible possibility at that time and we can gather coach/parent volunteers we can consider running 2-3 Saturday morning clinics
- Participants must have at least 1 parent as a resident of East Montpelier. We cannot accept players from other towns. How they are receiving their education (virtual, in-person, homeschool) does not impact their ability to play.
- Goals are to have registration open by August 21 and closed by Sept 1
- Masks are required 100% of the time as per guidelines above. Although, in the instance where we are doing ball work and are spaced very far apart, I wonder if removal of masks is warranted in that occasion.
- Participants will bring their own ball. If they do not have a ball one will be assigned to them for the season (and kept in the shed).
- Cost will be \$15 for the season, non-refundable
- If school is closed soccer will be canceled. East Montpelier rec can also choose to cease the season at any point.
- Goal for registration is to be entirely paperless. This will include all player information as well as usual waivers in addition to COVID-19 waivers
- Practices will start 2<sup>nd</sup> week of school (1 day that week) and 2 days/week for remainder of Sept. Only in-school practices and scrimmages will be allowed for Sept.
- If we move onto stage III per the document above, it's possible we can explore 2-3 games for October. Kate will remain in contact with area teams.
- Kate will directly email participants from last year with plans moving forward and again when registration will open. We will ask Alicia to put summary of program information for 3-6 into future newsletter once registration is open.

Calais, Berlin, Rumney and Doty will not be holding a soccer season this fall, they plan to attempt a program in the Spring.