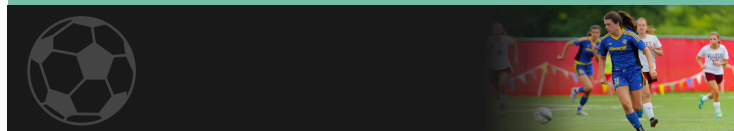


# FAQ – Coronavirus Response

## WIAA Girls Soccer



### QUESTION

Can athletes play with their club teams after March 23, while waiting for their high school seasons to begin?

### ANSWER

Yes. Because practices have not yet begun for WIAA Girls Soccer, athletes are able to practice and compete in an unlimited number of contests. If practice had already begun, the athletes could practice with their club teams, but would be limited to 2 competitions.

### QUESTION

Would the WIAA be willing to open Sundays in May for games, to help with rescheduling games?

### ANSWER

The WIAA does not restrict competitions on Sundays. This is a local decision and should be discussed with your school administration.

### QUESTION

For 2020, what will the minimum number of games be for State Tournament eligibility?

### ANSWER

The WIAA Tournament Procedures states:  
“A school must participate in a minimum of four games in the regular season to be eligible for tournament competition.”

This rule will still apply.

### QUESTION

For 2020 what will the minimum number of practices be before the playing of a scrimmage or a regular season game?

### ANSWER

Soccer requires seven different days of practice before a competition, and three different days before a scrimmage. Also, acclimatization is required.

There will be no adjustment to these requirements, as this is a Medical Advisory “best practice”.

### QUESTION

What are the limits on length of practices, once spring practices have resumed?

### ANSWER

Season Regulations for Girls Soccer, found on page 19 of the WIAA Spring Season Regulations give a complete description of the practice allowances under **3. Minimum Days of Practice**. Please refer to this section for rules regarding the length of practices, etc.

### QUESTION

Are there guidelines regarding how many games can be played in a single week?

### ANSWER

This is currently a local decision. Speak with your administration to determine what will be allowed.

### QUESTION

Will scheduled games be counted toward the 4-game minimum, even if they are not played.

### ANSWER

No. In order to be qualified for tournament competition, a team must have competed in a minimum of 4 games.

QUESTION	ANSWER
With limited games during the Spring season, could my team play games AFTER we are ELIMINATED from the State Tournament Series?	<p>No meet may be scheduled (but a meet may be re-scheduled if postponed) after any of the schools involved in the re-scheduled event have begun WIAA Tournament Series competition.</p> <p>In short, you may re-schedule any games that you have on your schedule, currently, that do not get played. You can re-schedule them for after you are eliminated in the playoffs. The LATEST a game can be rescheduled is the Championship Saturday (June 20, 2020).</p>

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May we start coaching teams beginning March 23 <sup>rd</sup> , even though school is not in session?	<p>No.</p> <p>There will be no WIAA athletics at any member school from Wednesday, March 18, 2020, to Monday, April 6, 2020. (This will be updated as information becomes available.)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• This includes all participation including, but not limited to training, practices, scrimmages, and contests.</li> <li>• Schools and/or coaches may not bring students together during this time period for extracurricular or athletic purposes such as practices or other instructional/organizational purposes.</li> <li>• Schools and/or coaches may not be involved with students during their time period to provide instruction for practice purposes.</li> </ul>

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May we send out training sessions to players?	Coaches may provide individual workouts virtually, but shall not encourage or organize their team assembling to practice.

QUESTION	ANSWER
If not enough games are played this Spring, will we use the seeding results from the 2019 season?	No. If seeding takes place, we will use the information at hand, or random draw, or alpha....yet to be determined.