



COVID-19
Protocols for BASEBALL AND SOFTBALL BATTING CAGE USE
at The Edge Sports Center
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Guidance from the State of Colorado regarding safety protocols for the types of programs that we offer, and for indoor sports facilities in general, can be found in the following document:

COVID-19 Safer at Home Public Health Order Guidance

[\(Click here to access the state's on-line pdf document\)](#)

Pertinent Sections: "Personal Recreation/Indoor Sports Facilities" & "Children's Day Camps/Youth Sports Camps"

General Notes & Protocols:

- Each day, all Edge Sports Center employees and instructors entering the facility will be screened for flu-like symptoms (cough, shortness of breath, difficulty breathing, fever, chills, muscle pain, sore throat, loss of taste or smell). A temperature check will also be made daily. Results will be recorded in a log. Anyone with any of these flu-like symptoms, and/or with a temperature of 100 degrees or higher, will be sent home. (FYI, the CDC defines 'having a fever' as having a temperature in excess of 100.4 degrees.). The individual will also be strongly advised to get tested immediately and adhere to isolation and exclusion guidelines.
- *Response and Reporting:* If any case or symptoms of the COVID-19 are reported or detected, camp instructors and staff will immediately report this to The Edge Sports Center General Manager, Matt Carver, and/or The Edge Sports Center owner, Phil Ebersole. The Edge Sports Center Operations Manager, Bradyn Svendsen, will serve as the backup point of contact. The Edge Sports Center will immediately report any cases to Larimer County Public Health.
- *All protocols documented in The Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment Guidelines that are posted on-line will be followed as part of the process of operating these camps. A copy of these guidelines forms an integral part of this document. The information given below gives further specifics of how these protocols will be implemented in our specific case.*
- **If the user of the batting cage, or any member of the user's family, has any symptoms of COVID-19, do not come to The Edge Sports Center to use a batting cage.** Symptoms include, but are not limited to, cough, shortness of breath / difficulty breathing, fever, chills, muscle pain, sore throat, loss of taste or smell and/or a body temperature over 100 degrees.

Key protocols for use of the Batting Cages

1. Due to COVID-19 restrictions on the maximum number of people allowed in The Edge Sports Center at the same time, the use of the batting cages will be restricted to certain defined periods. These periods can change from week to week depending upon what other activities are going on at The Edge. Please call 970-472-0048 to get the details on availability.
2. All cage reservations must be made in advance over the telephone (970-472-0048) (no walk-ins).
3. The Edge staff will record the names of users of the batting cages to aid in contact tracing if necessary.
4. Please limit the number of people who accompany those who are actually hitting to an absolute minimum.
5. **AS OF JULY 17, 2020, EVERYONE OVER THE AGE OF 10 MUST WEAR A MASK AT ALL TIMES WHILE IN THE BUILDING. The only exception to this is when a player is actually hitting. To be clear, this means that anyone feeding a JUGS pitching machine, throwing 'live' to a batter, giving instruction, or waiting to hit must be wearing a mask.**
6. All customers must bring their own bat and helmet (and batting gloves if desired). That equipment should not be shared with anyone who is not an immediate family member.
7. If you want to 'throw live,' you must bring your own baseballs.
8. If you want to use a pitching machine, we will provide you with sanitized dimple balls
9. Side-by-side batting cages will not be occupied at the same time
10. All Edge equipment will be sanitized after each use (dimpled balls, pitching machines, etc.)

The Edge Sports Center will assign Supervisory Staff to observe and monitor use of the batting cages.

- Edge Sports Center Supervisory Staff will actively monitor batting cage use to ensure protocols are being followed.
- Edge Sports Center Supervisory Staff will wear masks and practice physical distancing while monitoring activities.
- The Edge Sports Center has additional ("back-up") staff available in case any of our staff should become infected or exposed to the virus.

We understand and agree that many of these protocols are inconvenient and/or annoying. However, the protocols are the right thing to do and they create the best opportunity for our kids to enjoy Sports Camps as a way to return to a basic level of recreational activity.

We, each and all, must honor these protocols. Failure to comply with the protocols may result in approval for Sports Camps being revoked for all participants. Larimer County is in good shape right now regarding the intensity of the virus in our area. However, we have seen in other states what happens when protocols are ignored. The virus comes back with a vengeance. Let's not let that happen here!

Thank you for being part of the EDGE SPORTS CENTER Community!