ANNEX 1 TO THE 2022 SCOTIABANK CONCACAF CHAMPIONS LEAGUE COMPETITION REGULATIONS

Protocols and Responsibilities Related to COVID-19



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# Definitions

"Annex" shall mean this Annex 1 to the 2022 Scotiabank Concacaf Champions League Competition Regulations.

"MD-2 PCR Test" shall mean the PCR Test conducted within twelve (12) hours of landing at the Host City for participation in the Competition, as further described in Section 4.2.1.

"Close Contact" shall mean (i) spending fifteen (15) minutes or more within 6 feet/2 meters of a person with a positive PCR Test in any twenty-four (24) hour period, (ii) not following mask and social distancing requirements in this Annex, or (iii) as otherwise reasonably determined by Concacaf in its sole discretion.

"Competition" shall mean the 2022 Scotiabank Concacaf Champions League as described in the Competition Regulation and Circular Letter No. 1360, including, for purposes Section 1 of this Annex, travel to and from the Competition.

"Competition Window" shall mean for each Participating Club the period beginning fourteen (14) days prior such Participating Club's next match in the Competition and ending (i) in the case of Participating Club Members of the Host Club upon departure from the match venue following conclusion of the match (or upon conclusion of return travel from Host City when applicable) or (ii) in the case of the visiting Participating Club upon conclusion of return travel from the Host City.

"Competition PCR Tests" shall mean the PCR Tests conducted between MD-5 and MD-3 throughout the Competition, other than the MD-2 PCR Test, as described in Section 4.2.1.

"Competition Regulations" shall mean the Regulations to the Competition approved by the Concacaf Council on December 10, 2021

"Concacaf Medical" shall mean the Concacaf Medical Committee member and/or Concacaf appointed individuals who provide medical advice and expertise to Concacaf for the Competition.

"Host City" shall mean the city or jurisdiction hosting the stadium used for the Competition or, if applicable, any neighboring city or jurisdiction hosting any hotel, practice field, stadium or other venue relating to the Competition.

"Host Club" shall mean the Participating Club responsible to host a match of the Competition.

"Local Authorities" shall mean local, state or federal regulatory agencies, departments or other governmental entities having statutory authority over health matters and jurisdiction over the corresponding individual, person, Participating Club, or Participating Club Member, as applicable. For the avoidance of doubt and without limitation, Local Authorities shall include such entities at the Participating Clubs' home location, with jurisdiction and/or authority on matters relating to travel to and from the Host City and venues during the Competition. "Match Delegation" shall mean the Participating Club Members (including players, coaches, and officers, if any) who will be physically present at the venue of a match of the Competition, and, in the case of the Host Club, all individuals with access to the field of play and locker room areas.

"Participating Club" shall mean a football club participating in the Competition.

"Participating Club Member" shall mean a Participating Club's officers, staff, personnel, players, coaches, liaisons, directors and any other individual participating with or accompanying the Participating Club prior to or during the Competition.

"PCO" or "Protocol Compliance Officer" shall mean the Protocol Compliance Officer as described in Section 2.4 of the Annex.

"PCR Test" shall mean a nasopharyngeal or oropharyngeal swab + polymerase chain reaction test for the SARS-CoV-2-RNA virus.

"Pre-Travel PCR Tests" shall mean the PCR Tests to be conducted by the Participating Club prior to travel to the Competition, as described in Section 4.2.1.

"PPE" shall mean personal protective equipment worn to minimize exposure of the COVID-19.

"TML" or "Team Medical Liaison" shall mean the Team Medical Liaison as described in Section 2.3 of the Annex.

"Final Delegation" shall mean the Participating Club Members identified in the final list provided by the Participating Club to Concacaf forty-four (44) hours prior to their match of the Participating Club. The Final Delegation may include up to twenty-three (23) players and up to nine (9) officials, coaches or other Participating Club Members (for the avoidance of doubt, these may not be players). A Participating Club may include up to an additional ten (10) officials, coaches or other Participating Club Members in its Final Delegation.

# Preamble

This Annex outlines the considerations, precautions, protocols and procedures that Participating Clubs must adopt prior to and during the Competition to minimize the risk of spreading COVID-19.

Non-compliance with the obligations set out herein may lead to disciplinary measures in accordance with the Competition Regulations.

- 1. General Principles
  - 1.1 Each Participating Club (and each Participating Club Member, as appropriate) shall comply with the following provisions at all times during a Competition Window and at all Competition activities, whether at official or non-official (including, for the avoidance of doubt, Competition-related travel). Concacaf strongly urges compliance with these guidelines and any government, league, club or other applicable guidelines at all other times.
    - 1.1.1 Practice social distancing (6 feet/2 meters distance) between and among individuals, teams, officials, and other groups of persons involved at all times prior to and during the Competition, and during official and non-official activities. The only exceptions are:
      - o while exercising in the designated zones/facilities,
      - on the field of play during training or a match (applicable for players and one (1) designated coach when standing),
      - when substitutes warm-up during a match (applicable for players only), and
      - while receiving or providing medical/therapeutic attention or care.
    - 1.1.2 Wear a mask (covering the mouth and nose) at all times, including at hotels, training facilities, stadium, flights/buses, and while on any other transportation, prior to and during the Competition, and during official and non-official activities. The only exceptions are:
      - o while exercising in the designated zones/facilities,
      - when actively eating/drinking,
      - on the field of play during training or a match (applicable for players and one (1) designated coach when standing),
      - when substitutes warm-up during a match (for players only), and
      - while receiving or providing medical/therapeutic attention or care.

Masks must be re-applied as soon as possible following such activity.

Masks must be two (2) or more layers, cover the mouth and nose and secured under the chin. For the avoidance of doubt, N95 respirators or similar respirators may be used provided they do not include a valve. Gaiters, bandannas, handkerchiefs or similar loose face coverings are not considered masks.

- 1.1.3 Practice good hand washing hygiene, including washing hands uninterrupted for a minimum of 30 seconds with soap, and/or using (minimum 60% of) alcohol-based hand sanitizer.
- 1.1.4 Avoid touching their faces, someone else's equipment or belongings, or sharing or passing items to each other (including water bottles).
- 1.1.5 Avoid being in physical contact or close proximity with others, including while traveling (except for players participating in an official match or training activities).
- 1.1.6 Refrain from being in physical contact or close proximity with ill people (any type of illness) or in situations likely exposed to COVID-19, such as confined areas.
- 1.1.7 Refrain from engaging in high-risk activities (as defined by applicable Local Authorities).
- 1.1.8 Encourage video meetings instead of in-person meetings.
- 1.1.9 Sanitize equipment, belongings, seats, luggage, and similar before and after utilization.
- 1.1.10 Refrain from any non-essential travel or transportation, including without limitation errands, deliveries or pick-ups.
- 1.1.11 Comply with all testing requirements and schedule described in this Annex.
- 1.1.12 Comply with any other health regulation issued by applicable Local Authorities.
- 2. Responsibilities of the Participating Clubs and Necessary Roles
  - 2.1 Between twenty-five (25) to ten (10) days prior to the Participating Club's match of the Competition, each Participating Club must provide a minimum of thirty (30) minutes of training designed to educate all Participating Club Members on how to wear and dispose of PPE, identification of COVID-19 symptoms, and communication of any health-related matters without exposing others. No more than ten (10) days prior to the first match in the Competition, the Participating Club will (i) certify to Concacaf that this training has been provided to all Participating Club Members, (ii) provide Concacaf with a list showing when each member of the Final Delegation and Match Delegation (as applicable) received the training, and (iii) provide Concacaf with a copy of the training materials used. In the event new persons are added to a Participating Club's Final Delegation who have not received such training from the Participating Club as part of this edition

of the Competition, such Club's Protocol Compliance Officer shall ensure such training is provided and the above certifications provided to Concacaf prior to such person's participation in the Competition.

- 2.2 During each Competition Window, each Participating Club shall keep tracing contact of all members of its Match Delegation and Final Delegation or in contact with such persons. Assigned seating for all members of the Final Delegation while traveling, or at meals, meetings and accommodations, is mandatory and shall be kept for the Participating Club's records. If during a Competition Window a Final Delegation, or any part thereof, will be sharing rooms the Participating Club must notify Concacaf in advance and shall keep tracing contact of the same. For the avoidance of doubt, a Participating Club must apply this Section 2.2 to all prospective members of its Travel Delegation in order to ensure compliance with respect to the tracing contact of all participating individuals.
- 2.3 Appoint a Team Medical Liaison who shall be responsible for arranging the Pre-Travel PCR Test, MD-2 PCR Test, and any other PCR Test as required under this Annex, with a testing service provider for the entire Final Delegation and Match Delegations, ensuring that all persons are tested in accordance with this Annex, receiving all test results, and notifying Concacaf immediately after the results are available. The TML must be someone with appropriate medical competence, preferably the team doctor.
- 2.4 Appoint a Protocol Compliance Officer who must be a member of the Final Delegation and who shall be responsible for ensuring the General Principles are enforced at all times prior to and during the Competition. The PCO will:
  - 2.4.1 During a Competition Window, ensure hotels, meeting rooms, facilities, deliveries, catering services, airline companies, and other transportation services, for their own Participating Clubs, follow best practices in relation to COVID-19 mitigation, implement Local Authorities' regulations and the measures described in this Annex, and immediately notify Concacaf of any issues or noncompliance of the measures described in this Annex.
  - 2.4.2 During a Competition Window immediately notify Concacaf of any issues with or noncompliance with best practices in relation to COVID-19 mitigation, implementation of Local Authorities' regulations or other the measures described in this Annex by the provided services and infrastructure (as mentioned in Section 2.4.1 above).

- 2.4.3 Collect and retain (for a minimum of ninety (90) days following the end of the Competition) the following:
  - Written assignment of seats when traveling (including flights and ground transportation) and photograph(s) showing compliance with such assignments,
  - Written assignment of seats at meals and photograph(s) showing compliance with such assignments (which shall also apply to the Host Club and its prior activities),
  - Photographs showing social distancing at venues and at meetings (which shall also apply to the Host Club and its prior activities, in accordance with Section 2.2 above), and
  - Any other assignment or activity, when directed by Concacaf.
- 2.4.4 Coordinate with the TML the appropriate testing for the Final Delegation (in accordance with Section 2.3 above) prior to travel, as required by Concacaf and applicable Local Authorities.
- 2.5 Each Participating Club shall immediately report any Positive PCR Test result or individuals with COVID-19 symptoms to Concacaf and comply with all applicable laws and regulations imposed by the Local Authorities and this Annex.
- 3. Travel, Venue and Host Country Restrictions
  - 3.1 Each Host Club shall be responsible for identifying any restrictions on free and unencumbered travel and documentation requirements (e.g. COVID-19 testing, border closures or quarantine requirements) by a date to be provided by Concacaf via Circular Letter, and shall certify to Concacaf in writing that no restrictions on free and unencumbered travel compromise the Participating Club's arrival to the Host City or the organization and hosting of the match(es).
    - 3.1.1 If the Host Club fails to comply with Section 3.1 resulting in additional costs for the reorganization or hosting of the Competition, then it shall bear those additional costs, including without limitation the selection of and hosting at a new venue, and additional costs borne by the other Participating Club and/or Concacaf, due to such reorganization.
    - 3.1.2 Concacaf reserves its right to select a new venue if any of such travel restrictions compromise the ability of any Participating Club to freely travel to the Host City. For avoidance of doubt, the Host Club shall bear all costs relating to the organization and hosting of the match of the Competition at such new venue selected by Concacaf, in its sole discretion.
  - 3.2 At all times, Concacaf will review and approve the Competition venue following receipt of a certified report of all applicable local and national government restrictions provided and certified to by the Host Club.

- 3.3 The Host Club must certify to Concacaf in writing that no restrictions are imposed by applicable Local Authorities.
  - 3.3.1 If any restrictions are imposed by applicable Local Authorities, the Host Club must provide a suitable alternative venue, which may be a neutral country (within Concacaf), that would allow the match to take place without any restrictions for the Participating Clubs (the Host Club shall bear all costs associated with the same, subject to the provisions herein).
- 3.4 The Host Club must immediately notify Concacaf in writing, if any Local Authorities impose any restrictions to a previously approved venue (as per Section 3.3 above) at any moment prior to any applicable match (a "Subsequent Restriction"), and any Subsequent Restriction that makes it impossible or financially unfeasible (at the reasonable determination of the Host Club) for the Host Club to host the applicable match(es) of the Competition in a new venue
  - 3.4.1 In the event a Subsequent Restriction results in Concacaf rescheduling, reorganizing or otherwise modifying the Competition, the Host Club shall be liable for all costs associated with subsequent reorganization costs of the Competition resulting thereof, including without limitation the selection of and hosting at a new venue and actual costs incurred by the other Participating Club(s) and/or Concacaf arising out of such reorganization.
- 3.5 After the relevant draw or upon qualification of the Participating Club to the next round, the Participating Clubs involved in the same match may agree on a venue reversal, subject to Concacaf's approval.
- 3.6 In all cases, if the Host Club fails to provide with a suitable venue for the match to take place, such match will be automatically declared by the Concacaf Disciplinary Committee to be forfeited by such team and will be considered to have been lost 3–0.
- 3.7 Concacaf reserves its right to reorganize, at its sole discretion, any match of the Competition, at any time, and for any reason, including without limitation to travel, venues, certifications, testing, and health and safety matters.
- 3.8 In addition to any other provision herein, no Participating Club Member may participate in any match of the Competition without proof of a negative PCR Test and any other document required by any Local Authority or venue.

- 4. COVID-19 Symptoms and Testing
  - 4.1 PCR Test
    - 4.1.1 Additional Considerations to the PCR Tests:
      - The PCR Test service provider must be a laboratory certified by a national public health authority or be a vendor designated or approved by Concacaf and shall comply with laws and regulations imposed by Local Authorities, and
      - If Local Authorities require testing to be conducted by a specific laboratory or by a public health authority and such requirements conflict with the provisions of this Annex the Participating Club must so notify Concacaf in writing prior to conducting the PCR Test, and provide reasonable medical detail to allow Concacaf to evaluate the testing protocol. Concacaf will, in its sole and final discretion, communicate whether such alternative testing is acceptable as a PCR Test.
    - 4.1.2 The Final Delegation and Match Delegation shall be tested and comply with the testing schedule below in order to participate in the Competition.
    - 4.1.3 Concacaf may require a PCR Test at its sole discretion at any time for any member of the Final Delegation, Match Delegation, and any other person deemed to be traveling with, accompanying or in Close Contact with any member of the Final Delegation and/or Match Delegation. Any such person, whether or not a Participating Club Member, shall be deemed a Participating Club Member for purposes of this Annex.
    - 4.1.4 Any person refusing to submit to Concacaf a PCR Test (scheduled or otherwise) shall immediately be deemed to have received a positive PCR Test result and must comply with the protocols of this Annex.
    - 4.1.5 Each Participating Club shall take such actions as reasonably necessary or as requested by Concacaf to ensure Concacaf receives all PCR Test results as provided herein, including without limitation providing (or causing Participating Club Members to provide) medical consents, releases or other authorizations required by or in accordance with applicable laws or regulations. Any PCR Test result which is not provided to Concacaf for any reason whatsoever shall automatically be deemed a positive PCR Test result and the protocols of this Annex must be followed accordingly.

## 4.2 PCR Test Schedule

- 4.2.1 Each Participating Club must conduct PCR Tests of all individuals of its Final Delegation and Match Delegation, and provide results to Concacaf as follows:
  - Pre-Travel PCR Test (Applicable to any Participating Club or any other member traveling to a Host City during a Competition Window) PCR Test conducted no earlier than MD-5 and results confirmed and submit to Concacaf by 8:00 PM (EST) on MD-3 (this PCR Test must be conducted by the Participating Club at its own expense).
  - Competition PCR Test (Applicable to the Host Club) PCR Test conducted no earlier than MD-5 and results confirmed and submit to Concacaf by 8:00pm (EST) on MD-3 (this PCR Test must be conducted by the Participating Club at its own expense).
  - MD-2 PCR Test (Applicable to the Participating Clubs) PCR Test conducted no earlier than MD-2 and within twelve (12) hours from landing or arriving to the Host City (in the case of the traveling Participating Club). Results must be confirmed and submitted to Concacaf no later than four (4) hours before the scheduled match time (this PCR Test will be conducted by Concacaf and at Concacaf's expense).

The above are minimum requirements. Any Participating Club may conduct additional PCR Tests as desired or required by its federation, league or Local Authorities. In such event, a Participating Club conducting additional COVID-19 testing must (i) provide the result of each such additional test to Concacaf immediately upon receiving such results, and (ii) provide all test results to Concacaf by 8:00 PM (EST) on MD-3 of all PCR Tests conducted no earlier than MD-5.

- 4.2.2 Concacaf reserves the right to request additional PCR Tests to any individual at any time and in addition to the PCR Test Schedule, which shall be at the expense of the Participating Club.
- 4.2.3 No later than four (4) hours prior to the Participating Club's match, each Participating Club must submit to Concacaf a written confirmation certifying that each individual in their Final Delegation and Match Delegation has taken the most recently scheduled or mandated PCR Test and shall include the corresponding results. For any member of the Final Delegation and/or Match Delegation resulting with a positive PCR Test, at any time during the Competition, the Participating Club will further confirm to Concacaf that such member is in compliance with the protocols of this Annex, including, when applicable, that such person has fulfilled the requirements of Section 4.4.6 or 4.4.7 below.

- 4.2.4 Concacaf will be responsible for conducting (at Concacaf's expense) the MD-2 PCR Tests. For the avoidance of doubt, Participating Clubs will be responsible for conducting (at their expense) all other tests.
- 4.2.5 Each member of the Final Delegation must report to the venue of the match and to Concacaf no later than forty-eight (48) hours prior to their corresponding match of the Competition.
  - 4.2.5.1 If any failure by any Participating Club to comply with this Section 4.2.5 results in a delay of the PCR Test results, or in any additional costs for the testing or hosting of the Competition, then such Participating Club shall bear those additional costs.
  - 4.2.5.2 If any failure by any Participating Club to comply with this Section 4.2.5. results in a delay in any of the match(es) of such Participating Club and Concacaf determines that such match(es) cannot be reschedule, then such match(es) will be automatically declared by the Concacaf Disciplinary Committee to be forfeited by such unavailable Participating Club and will be considered to have been lost 3–0.
- 4.3 Symptoms of COVID-19
  - 4.3.1 Any person showing symptoms of COVID-19 must be removed from Final Delegation and shall not travel with the Participating Club, when applicable, and shall self-isolate and contact Local Authorities. Confirmatory and/or additional testing should be considered. Compliance with the Positive PCR Tests Result provisions (including Section 4.4.6 or 4.4.7) below is required to return to participation in the Competition and/or official activities.
  - 4.3.2 Participating Clubs shall inform Concacaf of any person showing symptoms of COVID-19.
- 4.4 Positive PCR Test Result
  - 4.4.1 Subject to the below, any person with a positive PCR Test result is barred from any involvement of any kind of activity (official and non-official) in relation to the Competition.
  - 4.4.2 For purposes of this Annex, only a PCR Test as defined herein may be used. Any positive result returned by any other type of COVID-19 test will be deemed a positive PCR Test result and only negative results from a PCR Test will be considered.
  - 4.4.3 Upon the confirmation of a positive PCR Test, the Participating Club must immediately contact Local Authorities (if applicable) and Concacaf to notify them of the test result.

- 4.4.4 The PCO shall provide Concacaf a report with the tracing contact information and evidence of the Participating Club's compliance with this Annex, since the previous negative PCR Test results or during the applicable Competition Window whichever is shorter.
- 4.4.5 An individual with a positive PCR Test result must:
  - be immediately removed from the Final Delegation and/or Match Delegation and barred from traveling to or attending the match venue, as applicable,
  - o be declared ineligible to participate in the match(es),
  - when applicable, be isolated in a single room (away from the rest of the Participating Club Members),
  - ensure no interaction with any other individual participating in the Competition, and
  - follow all other instructions provided by Concacaf via Circular Letter or otherwise.
- 4.4.6 A person with a positive PCR Test result shall follow the requirements below in order to resume activities and participation in the Competition:
  - o obtaining two (2) negative PCR Test results from separate, consecutive tests taken between twelve (12) and forty-eight (48) hours apart from each other,
  - o any COVID-19 symptoms have passed,
  - o any medical treatment, quarantine/isolation, therapy or other Local Authority requirement has been completed, and

Compliance with each of the foregoing shall be determined at Concacaf's sole discretion.

4.4.7 In the event a Participating Club believes a person has recovered from a previous laboratory-confirmed (PCR or Antigen) SARS-CoV-2 infection, and (A) COVID-19 symptoms have passed, (B) has passed a cardiac test, and (C) ten (10) days (but not more than ninety (90) days) have passed since the earlier of (i) the onset of COVID-19 symptoms, or (ii) the initial positive PCR Test result, the Participating Club team doctor can apply to Concacaf Medical through the Illness Record Form to request that the individual be allowed to participate in the Competition with the appropriate paperwork documenting the individual's positive PCR Test results and the symptom checklist. Concacaf Medical will consider each case individually on its merits. Consideration will be given, without limitation to the length of time since the individual first tested positive, the PCR Test results, and the Participating Club's adherence to preventative protocols.

- 4.4.7.1 Concacaf Medical may require additional testing and/or preventative protocols with respect to such member as a condition to return to the Competition.
- 4.4.7.2 The Illness Record form must be submitted to Concacaf no later than forty-eight (48) hours before the scheduled match time in the Competition to be considered by Concacaf.
- 4.4.8 Upon the confirmation of a positive PCR Test, or if determined that a Participating Club (or any delegation member) did not follow the required protocols in this Annex, such Participating Club will bear all costs (including any additional PCR Tests it requires or that any other Participating Club requires as a result of such positive PCR Test result), and may be subject to additional costs or penalties as determined in this Annex (or subject to the Concacaf Disciplinary Committee).
- 4.5 Positive PCR Test Result affecting the Competition
  - 4.5.1 If for a match of the Competition more than half of a Final Delegation receives a positive PCR Test result, the entire Final Delegation shall be deemed to have received a positive PCR Test result.
  - 4.5.2 If any member of a Final Delegation is deemed to have been in Close Contact with a person with a positive PCR Test result, then the entire Final Delegation will be required to submit an additional PCR Test at the expense of such delegation's Participating Club. If the results of any such PCR Test are not returned to Concacaf prior to four (4) hours from the start of a match, such person shall not be allowed to participate in such match and shall be deemed to have received a positive PCR Test result solely for the application of this Section 4.5.
  - 4.5.3 If any Participating Club has fewer than eight (8) players (including at least one (1) goalkeeper) available (i.e. with negative PCR Test results) for any match, then, such match will be automatically declared by the Concacaf Disciplinary Committee to be forfeited by such unavailable Participating Club and will be considered to have been lost 3–0.
    - 4.5.3.1 If both Participating Clubs involved in a match are affected by these conditions described above and the match cannot be rescheduled, then such match will be cancelled and the result from the other leg in the same series will be used to determine the winner according to the Competition Regulations.
    - 4.5.3.2 If any Participating Club has greater than eight (8) players (including at least one (1) goalkeeper) but still has multiple members of its Final Delegation unavailable (i.e. with positive PCR Test results) for a match,

Concacaf will determine, at Concacaf's sole and final discretion, whether or not to suspend such match.

4.5.3.3 If for any reason, including without limitation to cost, Concacaf cannot reschedule an affected match, such match will be declared by the Concacaf Disciplinary Committee to be forfeited by the unavailable Participating Club and it will be considered to have been lost 3–0 by such unavailable Participating Club.

#### 5. Match Operations

In addition to the General Principles, each Participating Club Member is also required to comply with the following:

- 5.1 Training Facilities
  - 5.1.1 Masks must always be worn upon arrival to the training facility and while not actively training in designated training zones.
  - 5.1.2 Players and attending Participating Club Members are to be dressed prior to arrival to the training facility.
  - 5.1.3 The PCO must confirm that all facilities, bathrooms, benches, and equipment are disinfected in advance (and if otherwise, notify Concacaf immediately).
- 5.2 Pre-Match Protocol
  - 5.2.1 All individuals are to walk directly to the locker room upon arrival to the venue.
  - 5.2.2 Uniform check prior to the match must be conducted by the fourth official.
  - 5.2.3 Substitutes and staff must proceed directly to the bench with masks worn.
  - 5.2.4 Within the tunnel, players must keep their distance from one another as well as from the opposing team. First team will walk to the field first, followed by the second team until first team (players and staff) are in the field of play.
  - 5.2.5 Players and teams may not exchange pennants, jerseys, or any items prior to or after the match.

### 5.3 Stadium

- 5.3.1 Submit to temperature checks upon arrival to the venue. If an individual has a temperature of 100.4°F/38°C or higher, they will be rechecked. If that individual still has a temperature of 100.4°F/38°C or higher, the individual will not be allowed inside the venue.
- 5.3.2 All individuals on the bench are obligated to wear masks during the match.
- 5.3.3 Players may remove their masks for warm-ups during the match.
- 5.3.4 Participating Clubs must instruct players, coaches, and staff to refrain from spitting or clearing their noses in the field of play.
- 5.3.5 One (1) coach at a time may remove the mask during the match when standing away from the bench, ideally 6 feet/2 meters, and providing instructions to players in the field of play.
- 5.3.6 Substitute players and/or coaches must comply with Concacaf requests to sit in temporary seating or in the stands, if deemed necessary by Concacaf, due to venue limitations.
- 5.3.7 Participating Clubs must instruct its members to refrain from physical contact when celebrating following goals during the match.
- 5.3.8 For the avoidance of doubt, failure by players or officials to comply with the above, or to follow the instructions received pursuant to the above, may subject such persons to disciplinary action following the match.
- 5.4 Training/Medical Room
  - 5.4.1 The PCO is responsible for ensuring:
    - The proper cleaning and disinfecting the training/medical room before and after each use by its Participating Club,
    - That only the players of its Participating Club receiving medical care or treatment should be in the training room. Social distancing should be maintained other than the provider and the athlete, and
    - That PPE is properly worn by its medical staff including gloves mask, goggles or eye protection and gown when treating an athlete of its Participating Club.
- 5.5 Post-Match Activities
  - Players and other Match Delegation members must leave the field as soon as possible,
  - No gathering at the center of the pitch for a post-match handshake (or any other physical contact) with officials and opposing team shall occur,
  - No cooldowns are allowed in the field of play,

- Players and participants must shower and do their ice baths at their assigned hotel,
- Match Delegations shall leave the venue as soon as possible after the conclusion of the match and all media requirements have been fulfilled, and
- As with arrivals to the venue and Match Delegation departures, schedules will be staggered to limit any physical contact.
- 6. Other
  - 6.1 In the event of any inconsistency or conflict between the provisions of the Competition Regulations and this Annex, the provisions of this Annex shall prevail.
  - 6.2 For the avoidance of doubt, each decision or determination in this Annex which is to be made by Concacaf (and not the Concacaf Disciplinary Committee) will be made at the sole and final discretion of Concacaf and is not subject to appeal or protest.