



Sports Centre COVID-19 Protocol

This document is outlining how the Sports Centre is implementing measures to prevent the transmission of COVID-19. As the health and safety of guests and staff at the Sports Centre remains our top priority. The Sports Centre is aligning with provincial guidelines as well as national sporting body protocols for facility operations. All user groups operating in the Sports Centre must comply with the following protocol. Groups and participants found not following these protocols may be asked to leave.

COVID-19 droplet transmission is much more likely when individuals are in close contact. The likelihood of transmission between individuals participating in sport, physical activity and recreation in an indoor setting is significantly higher.

GENERAL GUIDELINES

- Stay home if you are sick. Those showing symptoms of COVID-19 are advised to contact the Saskatchewan Healthline at 811 for further guidance.
- Masks are recommended by everyone, except when participating in the activity.

PROCEDURE FOR ENTERING THE BUILDING

- The entrance doors to the Sports Centre will be the main doors on the east side of the building.
- The exit doors will be the east doors along the dressing room hallway. Patrons are to exit using the door closest to dressing room to which they are assigned.
- Use the hand sanitizer at the front entrance prior to continuing into the building.
- Patrons of the facility must follow the displayed signage to ensure minimal contact and safe procedures.
- Patrons are to limit their time spent in the facility, as well as maintain physical distancing when returning to their vehicles or homes.

- There will be no loitering in the lobby areas, users are expected to go directly to their facility.

USER GROUP EXPECTATION

- User groups are required to have and follow a COVID-19 response plan for their activities.
- User groups also have a responsibility for tracing, monitoring, and screening their participants upon arrival at the facility. Screening questions can be found online at www.saskatchewan.ca/covid19
- Game play can resume between teams in a mini-league and must be limited to teams within the same mini-league.
- If coaches/trainers cannot maintain physical distancing, a mask should be worn.
- Dressing rooms will be open assigned to each user group. We would encourage players to come dressed but if it is not feasible, they can be allowed to dress and undress in the rooms.
- Physical distancing is not mandatory in the locker room if participants are from the same mini-league as players from the same mini-leagues are considered unable to adhere to physical distancing during competition and game play. If players in the dressing room are from different mini-leagues, they must remain 2 metres apart (with or without masks).
- Scheduling staff will alternate the side of the rooms being utilized to avoid traffic issues. Showers will be available for use.
- We request that players ensure the dressing rooms are cleaned up with no garbage or items left in the rooms, this will aid our staff to sanitize the dressing rooms in an efficient and timely manner.
- Participants are to remain in their dressing rooms until 2min prior to game/practice time. Participants are NOT to line up at the gates awaiting their ice time.
- Arrive at the facility no more than **20 minutes before** your scheduled time. Those arriving earlier will be asked to wait outside, while observing physical distancing, until 20 minutes before the scheduled start time.
- Attendees must vacate the facility with 15 minutes after their assigned ice time to allow staff time to disinfect the space prior to the next group.

- User groups and program participants are encouraged to bring full water bottles. Drinking Fountains are not available but dressing room taps have been upgraded to allow for bottle filling. **Do not share water bottles with other participants.**
- No single group on the ice surface shall exceed the gathering limits in the public health order. Teams need to be separated while on the sidelines, and players cannot exceed gathering limits during games, practices, or training. A maximum of **30 people in total as per the public health order** are allowed on the ice surface at this time. This includes players, coaches, officials, scorekeepers, and others at the ice surface level.
- Shared equipment should be cleaned and disinfected after contact between individuals, even when not visibly dirty.
- Volunteers working the score clock will be required to sanitize their hands before and after use. Hand sanitizer will be provided.
- Volunteers using the music room will be required to sanitize their hands before and after use. Hand sanitizer will be provided.

SPECTATORS

- Parents and other spectators must not total more 150 at each game/activity and must ensure physical distancing between non-household members.
- We request minimal spectators attend events and remind parents and caregivers that children must be with them at all times. Children are not allowed to run around.
- Spectators must maintain distancing of at least two metres from other members of the public.
- Spectators (excluding parents and guardians where necessary for player support) should be kept out of participant spaces. Once the spectator enters the ice surface area (including standing in gate areas and along board) they become counted in the 30 maximum.

PLAYER CONDUCT

- Spitting (includes seeds, tobacco, and fluids) and other similar activities increase the risk of transmission of COVID-19 and are not permitted.
- Individuals must not share personal items (i.e. equipment or beverage containers).
- Congratulatory gestures such as high fives and handshakes are not permitted.
- Spectators, participants and players, staff, coaches, and volunteers should try to minimize cheering and whistling as much as possible to control the spread of COVID-19.

- Intentional contact during sport or activity must be limited.
- Modifications to activities that limit physical contact are recommended.
- Parents/Players/Patrons must not congregate in the lobby area or at the entrance once the activity has been completed. Please exit the facility immediately afterwards.

STAFF

- Sports Centre staff will clean and disinfect change rooms between each user group.
- Sports Centre staff will disinfect players benches and penalty box benches between rental groups. Coaches or team staff are required to disinfect player benches after use, disinfectant spray and towels will be provided.
- Sports Centre staff will disinfect all high-touch surfaces throughout their shifts, this includes but is not limited to, railings, door handles, light switches, etc.
- Sports Centre staff will disinfect spectator seating nightly.

It will be the renter's responsibility to forward the rules of the Sports Centre to the parents and participants and they are required to follow them.

Please note that guidelines may change, should that happen an updated document will be forwarded to the user.

It is the renter's responsibilities to ensure all Saskatchewan Re-Open Guidelines are followed. Further information can be found at www.saskatchewan.ca/COVID19