

User Group Return to Use – Indoor Arenas at the JBS Canada Centre & Centennial Regional Arena

The purpose of this document is to communicate practices in place to minimize the risk of transmission of COVID-19 during the re-opening of the City of Brooks indoor arenas. We ask for your cooperation as we work to maintain a safe user space. Please review the guidance below.

Welcome Back: We look forward to welcoming back the community to our arenas under the new guidelines and facility procedures. Our staff is working hard to keep the facility as safe as possible, please reinforce and follow guidelines we have put in place to keep your program participants safe. Your collaboration and communication is very important as we work through the reopening of our indoor arenas. The health and safety of everyone is our priority and if you have any questions, please let us know.

Physical Distancing: Maintain at least a 2-meter distance between you and others not of the same household or core cohort. If a 2-meter distance cannot be maintained, masks must be worn.

Limit Contact only 50 People: Where sports and activities cannot be modified to maintain distance, limit the number of contacts between different participants. This is done by playing within sport cohorts that do not exceed 50 people including participants, officials, coaches and trainers (does not include parents or other family members). We encourage only one parent or family member dropping off/picking up participants wherever possible to limit the number of people in the facility.

Pre-Screening measures: Do not enter the facility if you feel ill and/or present any symptoms for COVID-19. Stay home and complete the online self-assessment tool. Follow screening tools outlined by your organizations and AHS.

Cleaning & Sanitizing: In addition to routine facility cleaning protocols, we have increased the frequency of sanitizing commonly touched surfaces. There will be a standard 30-minute break between ice bookings to allow for a flood and disinfecting of benches, penalty boxes and touch points to occur.

Arrival & Departure: Players/participants should arrive no more than 20 minutes before their booking. We recommend arriving as dressed as possible and ready to play or train. Participants, coaches and parents are expected to vacate the facility within 20 minutes of their booking ending wherever possible to allow time for cleaning and sanitizing between bookings. When dropping off and picking up participants in the hallways & dressing rooms, parents must be masked.

Entrance/Exit to the facility: All guests are expected to use the hand sanitizer provided upon their arrival. Specific entrances and exits have been assigned to mitigate cohort cross contamination.

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Participants

Sparrow – please enter using the front entrance and exit using the door by dressing room 8.

CRA – please enter using the designated players entrance on the North or South side of the building depending on your teams dressing room assignments. Please exit using the SE and NE corridors, following the direction of the exit arrows.

Spectators

CRA & Sparrow – please enter/exit using the front entrance. If you are a parent helping your child dress for hockey, please make your way to the spectators seating area from the players hallway once completed.

Dressing Rooms:

Players/coaches can access their assigned dressing rooms 20 minutes prior to a practice or game. Parents entering the dressing rooms should be masked. Those not part of the sporting cohort should limit their time in the facility to not jeopardize other participants.

Dryland Training:

Sparrow – We can accommodate dryland training in the Flexhall or Fieldhouse with a rental.

CRA – If you require dryland training on the concourse at the CRA, please book in advance so we can ensure space is set aside for this. The CRA walking track is closed while we are accommodating spectators for ice rentals, except to accommodate any dryland training for teams.

Access to the dressing rooms at both arenas will remain limited to 20 minutes before your booking time. Please keep this in mind for your equipment storage needs before dressing room access is available.

Additional support required: Wearing masks and maintaining 2-meter distance in player hallways during drop off and pick up is expected of parents and players. We will be asking each user group to provide a volunteer (coach, team manager, or parent) to screen participants and give direction to participants/parents wherever needed. Children must be supervised in the facility at all times and seated in the designated spectator seating areas.

Spectators: Permitted to a maximum of 100 as long as 2-meter social distancing can be maintained. Adults and children are expected to sit in the designated spectator sections.

All Arena Users: Organizations are responsible for contact tracing of participants, staff and volunteers in the event of an outbreak. Organizations will be required to provide (or have their members provide) any needed masks and hand sanitizer for their day to day activities as well as any sport specific signage outlined by governing bodies.

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Specific-Sport Guidelines: Organizations are expected to develop their own sport-specific guidelines in accordance with Alberta Health Services and your governing bodies regarding physical distancing, cohorts and disinfection methods.

Following Guidelines: Compliance with the above guidelines is critical in maintaining the health and safety of our customers, users and employees. Failure to comply with the guidelines will result in a loss of privilege to use City of Brooks arenas.

*Please note that these conditions and expectations will be reviewed and updated monthly. Revisions will be published Sept 21, Oct 19, Nov 23 & Dec 21 and effective the beginning of the following month. This document and the guidance within it is subject to change and evolve with the impacts of COVID-19 on public health and in partnership with the Government of Alberta and the Government of Canada. Please visit the City of Brooks website for more information.

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