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TOWNSHIP OF WELLINGTON NORTH

RETURN TO PLAY COVID-19 FACILITY GUIDELINES FOR ICE USERS

As COVID-19 continues to evolve, this document is subject to change without notice.

Parking Lot Entrance

No Change from previous years.

Entrance Doors

The main entrance will be the entrance for all facility users

Exit Doors

All ice users and spectators must exit through the fire exits in the dressing room halls. The exit doors are clearly marked do not exit through the main entrance

Entrance Process

User groups will be required to monitor the entrance and exits, and ensure that proper procedures are followed, including the participant/spectator numbers.

User groups must ensure they keep a log of all participants entering the facility. The organization or renter will be stationed within the lobby of the Arena and will meet participants and spectators as they arrive at the facility. The gate keeper will confirm that names are taken and phone numbers to allow for contact tracing. Additional screening may take place prior to participants and spectators being granted access to the facility. The organization cannot start to allow their members into the facility until they are operating this registration table, so it is imperative that those individuals arrive first/early.

Entrance Time and Exit Time

Entrance to the facility will be permitted 15 minutes prior to the rental. Participants arriving earlier must be asked by the user group volunteer to wait outside the facility.

Dressing rooms must be vacated within 15 minutes after leaving the ice. For instance, if the rental is at 4:00pm, the user group must be off the ice by 4:50pm and have left the facility by 5:05pm. It is the responsibility of the user group to ensure participants have left the building at the required time.

Participants will be asked to head directly to their dressing rooms and the ice area. Players are to stay in their rooms until the ice is ready and they will proceed onto the ice through the designated ice entry point in a physical distanced format. Players who just exited the ice surface have 15 minutes to change and exit the facility through the identified exit. No player is allowed to exit the dressing room until other players have fully entered the ice surface.

Exiting the Facility

Participants and spectators who are within the facility will not be permitted to exit through the main entrance.

Participants and spectators will be asked to leave using the fire exit doors near the dressing rooms side of the building. This is to avoid cross over of the public/rental groups.

Dressing rooms

All participants are encouraged to arrive at the facility dressed. There is limited space and time available within the change rooms. Due to Provincial gathering limits of 50 people indoors, we will be limiting spectators at this time.

Arthur:

- Dressing rooms 1 – 4 enter changerooms behind the stands. Enter the playing surface at centre ice. Exit the facility at the centre ice emergency exit.
- Dressing rooms 5 – 8 walk in front of stands, enter the playing surface near the scoreboard. Exit the facility at the scoreboard emergency exit.
- To allow for physical distancing, change rooms in Arthur will accommodate a maximum of 6 participants; teams will be assigned two dressing rooms each.

Mount Forest:

- Dressing rooms 1 – 3 use the visitors bench to enter the ice. Exit the Facility using the South emergency exit
- Dressing rooms 4 – 6 use the home bench to enter the ice. Exit the Facility using the North emergency exit.
- To allow for physical distancing in Mount Forest, change rooms will accommodate a maximum of 10 participants.

Number of On-ice Participants

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The maximum number of participants per session/practice/hour ice time is 25 people. This includes players, coaches and officials. This is to allow a second group to enter the facility while the first group is still inside. This will allow us to maintain 50 minute on-ice time rentals.

The user group must assign a volunteer to control the facility entrance. The volunteer must ensure the following:

- Ice participants are provided access to the facility no sooner than 15 minutes before their rental

- Spectators are provided access to the facility no sooner than 15 minutes before the rental
- No more than 25 ice participants AND 25 spectators are granted access
- Do not allow any other participants to enter the facility with the exception that parents may access the dressing room hallway to tie skates of younger participants
- Access to main washrooms will be permitted for both ice participants and spectators

Ice participants must ensure the following:

- No more than 25 on ice participants per rental
- Ice participants do not have access to other areas of the facility, and should only be in the dressing rooms or on the ice surface
- Ice participants must remain in the dressing room until the Ice Resurfacers has cleared the ice

Groups may need to coordinate with other associations for overlapping rental times.

Spectators

Spectators must be limited to 25 due to possible overlapping groups.

Spectators must ensure:

- They watch from the stands only. No viewing from the lobby.
- Spectators must be physically distanced by a minimum of 2m
- Spectators must exit the facility through the same doors as the ice users.
- Spectators may access the dressing room hall to tie skates of younger participants.
- Spectators may walk through the lobby to access the main washrooms.
- Spectators will be provided access to the facility no more than 15 minutes prior to the start of the rental.
- All spectators must exit the stands between rentals. If a spectator is staying for the second rental, the spectator must leave the facility and re-enter through the main door.
- Spectators must begin to exit once the users are off the ice surface. Spectators must wait for the Ice Resurfacers to be on the ice before exiting. Spectators may wait outside, or in cars and/or parking lot for their participants.
- Spectators may assist with untying skates in the dressing room hall, but must not gather and ensure they leave the facility immediately after untying skates. Groups may wish to designate a few parents on each team to assist with this process.

Warm Ups/Dry Land Training

Warm ups and dry land training are not permitted in the facility.

Cleaning

Dressing rooms will be cleaned and sanitized after each use. Washrooms will be cleaned and disinfected twice daily. High touch point surfaces such as player's benches and door handles will be disinfected several times per day.

Masks

Masks will be mandatory while in our facility and can only be removed when entering the playing surface

Conduct with Staff

All participants must ensure they maintain at least 2m distance when speaking to staff. There is a zero tolerance policy for any mistreatment of staff. Any person that refuses to maintain distance or abuses staff in any way will receive an automatic suspension from the facility for a period of two weeks minimum.