

GEORGE HAWKINS MEMORIAL ARENA

~ GUIDELINES FOR A SAFE RETURN ~



A maximum of **100** people are permitted inside the arena at any given time.

- This includes participants, parents, volunteers, coaches, spectators and staff.
- Number of parents/guardians/spectators should be reduced to **one per participant** to limit the number of people in the arena at one time.

Physical distancing between household bubbles should always be maintained, in both on and off-ice spaces.

- Markings will be on the floor in high-traffic areas and signage will be posted.
- Congregating in common areas will not be permitted.

Non-medical masks are MANDATORY (5 years and older) in public indoor settings.

- Players/skaters/participants may remove masks before engaging in the physical activity.
- Coaches/Volunteers are encouraged to keep their masks on at all times if possible.

There will be separate **ENTER-ONLY** and **EXIT-ONLY** doors.

Proper **hand hygiene** is strongly encouraged.

- Washrooms will be stocked with handwashing supplies.
- Hand sanitizer stations will be in place at certain areas around the arena.

Some washrooms may be off-limits due to cleaning restrictions (signage will be posted).

Trash containers will be available for discarding trash and used PPE.

Frequently touched/used surfaces will be cleaned and disinfected at least **TWICE DAILY**.

User groups should not enter the arena any earlier than **15 minutes prior to the activity** and be prepared to leave within **15 minutes after the session has ended**.

Dressing rooms **MAY** be used.

- Physical distancing should be maintained (markings on benches).
- The use of multiple dressing rooms may be required depending on group sizes.
- Participants should arrive at the arena as prepared as possible (dressed) to reduce the time in dressing rooms.

Showers will **NOT** be available to use due to cleaning, disinfecting, and time constraints.

User groups must maintain an **attendance record** of all participants, coaches, volunteers, officials, and supervisors participating in each activity. Attendance records should be stored for 14 days.

Rentals are permitted.

- Sessions will be staggered by 15 minutes.
- Must keep a record of participants (kept for 14 days).
- No lingering in the arena after the activity.

Social events before or after any activity, rental or program are **NOT** permitted.

- The social room will be available for warming only – not for social events (physical distancing restrictions apply).

The bleachers on the Visitors side of the arena will be **OFF-LIMITS** to spectators to ease cleaning and disinfecting duties.

Participants should bring their own water bottles and not share with others.

Participants are not to remove helmets, face masks and/or gloves during on-ice sessions.

Participants **MUST NOT** spit, blow their noses freely or release any bodily fluids while at the arena or on the ice surface.

First-Aid procedures:

- Unwell individuals must place a mask over nose and mouth if possible.
- Individuals providing care should wear a mask and gloves.
- The Heart and Stroke guidelines state that hands-only CPR may be provided if there are concerns about COVID-19 transmission.

STAY HOME IF UNWELL.

- Anyone exhibiting signs or symptoms of illness must refrain from entering the arena.
- If someone start showing signs of illness while at the arena they must put on a mask and leave the arena and seek medical attention as soon as possible.

SIGNAGE

- The Town will place signage throughout the arena to promote compliance with all health measures.

USE DECLARATION FORM

- The Town will establish a “Use Declaration Form” that will need to be signed by all user groups to ensure that groups understand the protocols in place and communicate information to participants before using the facility.

All user group officials/supervisors/coaches must inform all participants on the safety guidelines and expectations, as outlined in this document, before the beginning of the season.

The Town of Twillingate will continue to monitor and adapt to the guidelines and recommendations of the Provincial Health Authority. Our safety guidelines may be adjusted and changed based on the Alert Level information provided by the Provincial Health Authority.

Any patron or group who requires further information are asked to contact the Town at (709) 884-2438 or townoftwillingate@bellaliant.com.