STAY HOME AND AWAY FROM OTHERS

- If you’re showing symptoms or feeling unwell
- If you have travelled outside of Canada in the past 14 days
- If you are a close contact of someone who has tested positive or are waiting for test results for COVID-19

MASKS AND FACE COVERINGS

In our Arenas, you should wear a mask whenever you are not actively engaging in a physical activity. For example, masks are Mandatory.

- In change rooms
- In the lobby
- When travelling within the arena
- If you’re coaching
- If you are a spectator

HOW WE’RE KEEPING YOU SAFE

- Making sure our facilities align with the provincial guidelines.
- Cleaning and disinfecting high touch areas (e.g. doors, counters, railings).
- Providing access to hand sanitizer and hand wash stations.
- Having staff maintain physical distancing.

HOW YOU AND YOUR GROUP CAN KEEP SAFE

- Make sure all participants understand the COVID-19 guidelines
- Follow your provincial and national sport governing bodies’ guidelines related to COVID-19
- Limit the number of contacts between different participants by playing within set cohorts (e.g. mini-leagues or bubbles with a fixed number of participants)
- Tell participants they must bring their own water
- Collect participant contact information to support contact tracing if necessary
- Follow guidelines for indoor and outdoor gatherings
• Help coaches and instructors reinforce messages about physical distancing (2 metres or 6 feet apart if possible) and limiting physical contact; no close contact huddles, no handshakes or high fives
• Manage your teams to spend as little time as possible in the facilities (including change rooms)
• Frequently clean and disinfect any equipment handled by hand (e.g. hockey sticks, pucks, balls)

PARTICIPANTS AND SPECTATORS

• Maintain physical distancing and wear masks when possible. Masks should not be worn when conducting intense physical activities.
• Wash your hands with soap and water before, during and after your activity
• Avoid touching your eyes, nose, mouth and face
• Cover coughs and sneezes in a tissue or your elbow
• Carry and use your own hand sanitizer
• Players should come dressed in gear as much as possible
• Bring and clean your own equipment. Avoid sharing equipment unless you are in the same household or cohort. Do not share water bottles and towels.
• Arrive no more than 25 minutes before your booking time
• Don’t gather or loiter in dressing rooms, parking areas or public areas before, during or after your activity
• Practice physical distancing in spectator areas; spectator stands will not be disinfected and cleaned in between bookings
• Spectators should stay away from dressing rooms and play surfaces unless required to support players; physical distancing guidelines should still be followed
• Leave the location as soon as your activities end to reduce overlap of bookings

ARENA SPECIFIC MEASURES

• Water fountains not available
• Faucets in change rooms should only be used for washing hands
• Spectator stands will not be disinfected and cleaned in between bookings
• Change rooms are open with physical distancing measures in place; players should come dressed in gear as much as possible
• Shower facilities are strongly not recommended; players are expected to shower at home
• User groups are expected to maintain cohort groups in dressing rooms (don’t use dressing rooms with people outside of your cohort groups)
• No rental of equipment.
• No more than gatherings of 30 in each space. (e.g. Arena Lobby, Curling Lobby, Curling Rink, Curling Lounge, etc.)
• Staff retains the right to remove anyone not obeying guidelines.
GENERAL GUIDELINES

• All applicable federal, provincial and municipal laws must be adhered to, including all regulations from applicable Public Health Authorities.
• Each sport organization must establish a Return to Play/Sport plan outlining how to minimize physical contact and the risk of COVID-19 transmission between participants.
• Each User Group Coordinator is responsible to provide and inform all User Group participants, coaches, officials, volunteers and parents/guardians of participants of the Arena Guidelines and to ensure all parties affiliated with the User Group understand and follow all regulations and requirements for use of the Arena.
• Facility employees will follow physical distancing and no gathering/congregations.
• Patrons are encouraged to limit their time inside the facility and always maintain physical distancing.
• Facility signage is to be followed by all people accessing the facility and following these preventative measures:
  1. Wash your hands frequently using soap and warm water for at least 20 seconds.
  2. Use sanitizer if no access to sink and water
  3. Cover your mouth and nose with a tissue when you cough or sneeze and discard the tissue immediately. If no tissue, then use your elbow.
  4. Avoid touching your mouth, eyes and nose at all times.
  5. Physical Distance of 2 meters. (6 feet)
  6. If you are sick stay home and leave the facility if you become sick and inform your User Group for tracking requirements.

• Maximum Gathering: must not total more than the maximum gathering limit per the Public Health order per team at each game/activity and must ensure physical distancing between non-household members. Current mass gathering is at 30 people per location.

Team Personnel Traffic Flow

• Team/participants and personnel will be permitted into the arena 25 minutes prior to their ice time. Each person MUST sign in and out of arena.
• Once permitted entry, players, participants and personnel are to go directly to their assigned dressing room or bench until town staff provide them the go ahead to go directly to the ice surface.
• Following ice times, teams and organizations are to remain inside their assigned dressing room until notified by staff that they may exit the facility.
• If required, one adult is permitted per team to provide assistance with tying skates.

Dressing Room Usage

• Dressing room access will be provided to teams beginning October 7th 2020. If it is felt that rules/protocols are not being followed, access may be revoked.
• Dressing rooms will be assigned to each team ahead of practice and no team is to enter a room unless given permission from town Staff.
• Dressing rooms are available 25 minutes before and 25 minutes after scheduled ice time.

ARENA SPECIFIC MEASURES FOR MINOR HOCKEY SPECIFIC EVENTS (E.G. PRACTICES, GAMES, MEETINGS ETC.)

Masks

• The Saskatchewan Hockey Association’s face covering policy has been implemented for all members of minor hockey; including players, coaches, bench staff, on-ice officials, off-ice officials and parents / spectators. The policy will apply to all SHA events until such a time that it has been deemed safe to remove this policy.
• Parents / Spectators MUST be properly wearing a face covering when entering / exiting the arenas and continue properly wearing their face covering at all times;
• Parents / Spectators should exercise physical distancing while entering and exiting the arenas and while sitting or standing inside the arena;

Team Responsibility

• All teams will be required to have a Covid-19 Communications Representative that will be responsible for keeping their teams informed of all applicable protocols and other pertinent information that comes out as the season progresses. If SHA is made aware of any teams not complying with the face covering Policy, it will work with the local Minor Hockey Association of the team to ensure that all teams adhere. If a team refuses to comply, sanctions may include the removal of ice time / suspensions to team officials.
Team Safety Person

- Each team will have a designated “Safety Person” that will be the person responsible for ensuring guidelines and protocols are followed. In addition, this person will be responsible for;
- Organizing a pre-season meeting with all parent/guardians to go over the following;
  - Hockey Canada Safety Guidelines
  - SHA Safety Guidelines
  - Local facility Guideline(s)
  - SHA Face Cover Policy
- Notify your MHA COVID Representative of any positive test within your team.
- Ensure record of attendance is kept at the arena. (see ‘Contact Tracing’)
- Communicate with your MHA COVID Representative any issues with regards to safety procedures.

Dressing Room Protocols

- Participants must follow facility guidelines and enforce physical distancing in dressing rooms.
- Only team personnel will be allowed in dressing rooms (coaches, medical staff, and players). If a parent is required, only one parent per player will be permitted. No additional family members will be allowed in dressing rooms.
- Hand sanitizer approved by Health Canada (DIN or NPN) should be available for players.
- Sharing food or drink is not permitted.
- Individuals may not share clothing, soap, shampoo, or other personal items such as razors and towels.
- Spitting is prohibited.

Contact Tracing

All teams will be required to maintain a record of attendees. All players, spectators, staff and volunteers must be accounted for upon arrival and identified with their full name and phone number. These records must be kept for a total of 30 days for contact tracing purposes.
Games

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- Maximum capacity is **150 provided there is enough room to maintain two metres of physical distancing** between extended household groups – side to side and front to back.
- Members of extended households must sit together, with a minimum of two metres between extended household groups.
- Minor hockey must provide someone at the door monitoring numbers with a count.
- Once 150 is reached doors will be locked and no one else may enter the facility.
- We ask only one parent per player attend games to keep numbers low.

**UPDATES on GAME protocol will be released once games have been scheduled.**

For the full SHA (Saskatchewan Hockey Association) document on guidelines click the link -