



TIMMINS ARENA COVID-19 GUIDELINES – RETURN TO ICE

McINTYRE ARENA

****Please note that all ice rentals are subject to change/cancellation depending on the status of COVID 19 and any provincial regulations that may be put in place. COVID Acknowledgement Forms and Safety Plans must be completed prior to Facility use for any rental. Some of these forms (if applicable) may be collected by your Associations.**

GENERAL INFORMATION – Maximum of 35 skaters on the ice, plus coaches/trainers will be allowed on the ice at one time.

- All individuals must maintain physical distancing and wear masks or face coverings when not skating on the ice pad.
- Coaches must wear a mask at all times and are limited to 3 per bench. A helmet must be worn at all times when performing activity of the ice. (i.e. Setting up equipment for games)
- All patrons must sanitize their hands at the provided station upon entry.
- Before entry, you will be greeted by a representative from your group for screening and contact tracing. All patrons and users will be required to complete a *COVID-19 Pre-Screening Form* upon each visit to the Arena. The pre-screening must be completed every time a participant, parent/guardian, or spectator wants to enter the facility for their permitted ice time slot. Failure to do so will result in refusal of entry to the building. If participants/patrons answer yes to any of the questions, they will be refused entry.
- Scrimmages or games will be permitted as well as skills and drills but prolonged contact among players is not allowed.
- Sport organizations will be following their own provincial sport 'return to play' protocols, in addition to the municipal protocol.
- All participants and user groups will be required to complete the *COVID Acknowledgment Form*, for all ice bookings.
- No dryland training will be permitted within the facility.
- Participants must bring their own water bottle, already filled.
- The restrooms off of the main lobby will be available for use if required.
- Arrive ready to play as dressing rooms are only available to put skates on and are limited to 15 minutes. Each participant may have one parent/guardian accompany them into the dressing room to assist with skates and everyone should keep their distance from others outside of their household.
- Everyone entering the facility must follow all markings and signs posted within.
- To ensure our facilities can remain open and safe, please obey all rules as presented.

PROCEDURE TO BE FOLLOWED

- Your group will have access to the building 15 minutes before your rental start time. Skaters, instructors, coaches and officials must enter through the front doors.
- Change rooms off the Main Lobby Area and in the South Tunnels will be provided for skaters to put their skates on and staff will be available to assist with traffic flow and designated change rooms. **PLEASE OBEY MAXIMUM PATRON SIGNS ON DRESSING ROOM DOORS & PLEASE SIT AT THE MARKED LOCATION ON EACH BENCH.**
- When the rental begins, the doors will be re-locked to ensure limited numbers are maintained.
- Access to the penalty box is not permitted. However, use of the players' benches is allowed if required.
- During Floods, we ask that participants maintain physical distancing and wait in their designated chair or changeroom.
- Upon completion of the ice time, players will leave the ice pad and return to their designated chair or changeroom.
- You must vacate the facility immediately after your rental time is finished. Skaters will change in the same chairs/bench they used previously and exit the building through the designated door. They will not undress/change to street clothes at that time; this will be done off site. **You have 15 minutes to leave the Facility.**
- If your group changed in the changing rooms off the Main Lobby Area, you will exit through marked exit door in lobby. If your group changed in the South Tunnel, you will exit through the adjacent door in tunnel. (south side parking lot)
- Once skaters, and instructors have left, sanitization of the areas used will commence prior to the next rental's arrival.

SPECTATORS – Maximum Capacity 50 (25 per side)

- All spectators are responsible to physical distance 2 metres with others. (No matter of social circles)
- One person per player will be permitted as a spectator in the viewing section in the stands. You must only stand at the designated areas marked with a yellow X. *If your player changed in rooms 1 & 2 you would proceed to the North side of the stands. (players bench side) If your player changed in rooms 4 & 5 then you would proceed to the South side of the stands. (the penalty box side)*
- No congregating, socializing or waiting for players in the arena lobby.
- Parents should arrange to meet players outside the facility after ice sessions as the lobby is not available.
- No food or beverages are to be brought into the facility.



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WHITNEY ARENA

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- Coaches must wear a mask at all times and are limited to 3 per bench. A helmet must be worn at all times when performing activity of the ice. (i.e. Setting up equipment for games)
- All patrons must sanitize their hands at the provided station upon entry.
- Before entry, you will be greeted by a representative from your group for screening and contact tracing. All patrons and users will be required to complete a *COVID-19 Pre-Screening Form* upon each visit to the Arena. The pre-screening must be completed every time a participant, parent/guardian, or spectator wants to enter the facility for their permitted ice time slot. Failure to do so will result in refusal of entry to the building. If participants/patrons answer yes to any of the questions, they will be refused entry.
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- All participants and user groups will be required to complete the *COVID Acknowledgment Form*, for all ice bookings.
- No dryland training will be permitted within the facility.
- Participants must bring their own water bottle, already filled.
- The restrooms off of the main lobby will be available for use if required.
- Arrive ready to play as dressing rooms are only available to put skates on and are limited to 15 minutes. Each participant may have one parent/guardian accompany them into the dressing room to assist with skates and everyone should keep their distance from others outside of their household.
- Everyone entering the facility must follow all markings and signs posted within.
- To ensure our facilities can remain open and safe, please obey all rules as presented.

PROCEDURE TO BE FOLLOWED

- Your group will have access to the building 15 minutes before your rental start time. Skaters, instructors, coaches and officials must enter through the front doors.
- Change rooms will be provided for skaters to put their skates on and staff will be available to assist with traffic flow and designated change rooms. **PLEASE OBEY MAXIMUM PATRON SIGNS ON DRESSING ROOM DOORS & PLEASE SIT AT THE MARKED LOCATION ON EACH BENCH.**
- When the rental begins, the doors will be re-locked to ensure limited numbers are maintained.
- Access to the penalty box is not permitted. However, use of the players' benches is allowed if required.
- During Floods, we ask that participants maintain physical distancing and wait in their designated chair or changeroom.
- Upon completion of the ice time, players will leave the ice pad and return to their designated chair or changeroom.
- You must vacate the facility immediately after your rental time is finished. Skaters will change in the same chairs/bench they used previously and exit the building through the designated door. They will not undress/change to street clothes at that time; this will be done off site. **You have 15 minutes to leave the Facility.**
- Upon completion of the ice time, players will leave the ice pad using the labelled exit off the lobby area.
- Once skaters, and instructors have left, sanitization of the areas used will commence prior to the next rental's arrival.

SPECTATORS – Maximum Capacity 30 (Lobby 14 & Stands 16)

- All spectators are responsible to physical distance 2 metres with others. (No matter of social circles)
- With limited capacity, one person per player will be permitted as a spectator in the viewing section in the lobby or the stands. You must only stand at the designated areas marked with a yellow X.
- No congregating, socializing or waiting for players in the arena lobby. The arena lobby may be used for tying skates/gear before going on the ice for those that require it.
- Parents should arrange to meet players outside the facility after ice sessions as the lobby is not available.
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CONSEQUENCES OF NOT COMPLYING WITH PROTOCOLS

Just like shopping is different and going to school is different, the activities in City of Timmins Facilities are different too. We understand that everyone is anxious to get back to using the arena in familiar ways; however, the City of Timmins has an obligation to abide by a number of guidelines in place for recreational facilities that have been declared by the Ontario Government and/or the Porcupine Health Unit (PHU). The safety of our staff and patrons is our top priority.

It is imperative that coaches and off-ice representatives set an example and support our efforts to keep our staff and users safe.

This includes ensuring that you and your team(s) are:

- following COVID protocols such as face coverings and physical distancing
- respecting time limits on the ice and in dressing rooms
- cleaning up your garbage
- not bringing food or beverages into the facility
- being respectful to everyone

We have experienced some issues with non-compliance and as a result will we be taking progressive measures for individuals and teams in the following manner:

- First Offence: verbal warning
- Second Offence: written warning
- Third Offence: one(1) week suspension from facility
- Subsequent offences will immediately result in additional suspension time

When appropriate we will use progressive measures, however, the type of discipline imposed may depend on the nature of the problem and may result in immediate suspension. These progressive measures will be imposed on the team in question and not just the individuals committing the infractions. Ice time will not be refunded in the event of a suspension.

We appreciate your support and cooperation as we navigate these challenging times together.