

As the Town of Gibbons opens its Arena for the 2020/21 season, we ask for your full cooperation and commitment to follow the new facility guidelines. The measures being taken are to protect our residents, staff, community, and visitors as we work together to prevent the spread of the COVID-19 virus. The Town of Gibbons is following all Federal and Provincial health orders and recommended guidelines and it is the expectation that all user groups and renters do the same. Please review the additional Gibbons Arena guidelines below:

Cleaning and Sanitizing: Additional cleaning and sanitizing measures will be in place to ensure a safe and healthy environment for everyone. Electrostatic sprayers have been purchased for thorough and regular sanitization. Any article left behind will be discarded immediately to ensure sanitation of the area.

Physical Distancing: Maintain a 2-meter physical distance between all individuals where possible. When physical distancing is not possible it is recommended to wear a non-medical face mask. Please see <https://www.alberta.ca/coronavirus-info-for-albertans.aspx> for more information.

Access: Users will enter and exit the arena through designated doors for their booking. It is the user group's responsibility to ensure the details for access and procedures are shared with their members, including spectators (if applicable), and that they enforce the guidelines.

Arrival Time: Users can enter the facility 40 minutes before their booking and must exit the facility 25 minutes after their booking.

Example:

Team #1 on the ice, is off the ice at 9:00

New team arrives between 8:30-8:55 and goes directly to dressing room for their 9:15 ice slot

Spectators (if applicable) that arrive with the team will be directed to the stands area, and will be directed by arena staff to the appropriate exit at the end of the ice slot.

Operator locks entry door at 8:55 ensures new team remains in dressing room until ice has been flooded

Team #1 has completed their ice slot at 9:00 and now goes to their dressing room and remains until new team is on ice and hallway is clear of traffic

Team #1 is instructed by the operator to exit facility

Entry doors remain locked until next users

Arrive ready: Participants are encouraged to arrive with their gear on, as dressing room space will be limited to accommodate physical distancing. Bring a pre-filled water bottle, the lobby water fountain will not be available. Dressing room amenities include wash sink and toilet use, NO SHOWERS are available and have been placed out of service. User groups with younger children should consider having skates and equipment on prior to arrival and the use of skate guards is required in the lobby area.

Spectators: Spectators are discouraged at this time, but the decision will be up to the user group as long as Alberta Health Guidelines are being followed. Spectators will not have access to the facility until the scheduled booking time and should exit the facility as soon the booking slot has ended. Operator will monitor spectators and give guidance as required to ensure safety

Health Check Requirement: User groups will be responsible to complete a health check with all members attending the scheduled booking prior to accessing the facility. Contact tracing is the responsibility of the user group for each booking.

All Arena Users: All Federal and Provincial Health requirement **MUST** be met by users. It is the responsibility of each user group to ensure they are compliant. The Town of Gibbons will continue to monitor the virus and its impact to public health, in partnership with the Federal and Provincial Governments. As restrictions are updated the Gibbons Arena will continue to update its processes to meet all health orders, guidelines, and needs. Any changes in procedures will be shared with user groups as they occur.