



Face Covering Policy

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 membership until such a time that it has been deemed safe to remove this policy.

It is the intentions of SHA to have a consistent environment so when players, officials, coaches and spectators are headed to a rink, they will know what to expect.

Face Covering: Non-medical mask which covers the mouth and nose. The material can be cloth or other material). Please refer to the Government of Canada - [How to safely use a non-medical mask or face covering](#) for further instructions.

Players:

- **Players** must be properly wearing a face covering when entering the arenas and continue wearing their face covering until they reach the spot where they will finish getting their skates / equipment on (chair, bleacher, dressing room). **Players** must keep their face covering on until they put their helmet on to head to the ice surface;
- **Players** should promptly put their face covering back on once they get back to their spot and remove their helmet;
- **Players** should exercise physical distancing while entering and exiting arenas and while putting on their skates / equipment;

On-Ice Coaches:

- **On-Ice Coaches** must be properly wearing a face covering when entering the arenas and continue wearing their face covering until they reach the spot where they will put their skates on (chair, bleacher, dressing room). **On-Ice Coaches** must keep their face covering on until they put their helmet on to head to the ice surface;
- **On-Ice Coaches** are not required to wear a face covering while on the ice. They should have one on their person for any instances where they will need to be closer than six feet from a player or fellow coach (injury, equipment issue, etc.);
- **On-Ice Coaches** should promptly put their face covering back on once they get back to their spot and remove their helmet;
- **On-Ice Coaches** should exercise physical distancing while entering and exiting arenas and while putting on their skates;

Bench Coaches/Staff:

- **Bench Coaches/Staff** must be properly wearing a face covering when entering / exiting the arenas and continue properly wearing their face covering at all times - including while on the bench during games;
- **Bench Coaches/Staff** should exercise physical distancing while entering and exiting arenas;