

### **ODAS RULES AND GUIDELINES**

# TEMPORARY AMENDMENTS TO STANDARD OPERATING PROCEEDURES FOR DEALING WITH COVID-19

(Please note these rules and guidelines will be updated to coincide with any changes to Alberta Health Services recommendations or orders, and any Provincial or Municipal guidelines and therefore are subject to change without notice at the discretion of the ODAS Board of Directors or Executive Committee)

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## **GENERAL CONSIDERATIONS:**

- Practice physical distancing (maintain 2 metres between people). Please observe any demarcation or delineation markers in the facility. When attending in cohorts, or family groups, please maintain separation between your party and other parties.
- Practice healthy hygiene habits. Wash your hands, use hand sanitizer often, and avoid touching your face. Hand sanitizing dispensers are located throughout the building, but it is highly recommended to bring your own.
- Wearing a face covering or mask is highly recommended while in the facility, especially in high-traffic areas such as the entrance way, mezzanine, washroom and concession seating area. Bring and use your own face covering; they will not be provided.
- Following each time slot, users and spectators will be expected to exit the facility immediately after their ice time to ensure the facilities are ready for the next group. While waiting to exit the building please avoid waiting in high-traffic areas.

#### **USER GROUPS**

Prior to the start of the season, all User Groups must have completed their rental agreement and submitted a schedule to the Onoway Arena Manager. This rental agreement must now include:

- the steps user groups will take to prevent the spread of COVID-19
- participant numbers (high, low and average estimates)
- a detailed description of the planned activity.
- the name and contact information of the person responsible for the rental
- ensure pre-activity screenings and a register of participants is completed and maintained.



## **PARTICIPANTS**

- Complete pre-activity screening through your organization.
- Come dressed for your ice time. Dressing rooms will be designated for each group use but will have limited capacity. Showers <u>WILL NOT</u> be available.
- Bring your own water bottle filled for personal use only and avoid sharing water bottles or other equipment. Water bottle filling stations will be operable.
- Please proceed directly to the dressing room area upon arrival.
- Arrive no more than 15 minutes prior to your ice slot.
- Exit the facility within 15 minutes after your ice time to allow time for staff to prepare the facility for the next group.
- Off-ice warm-ups or cool downs will not be permitted.

## **SPECTATORS**

- When using the Onoway Arena facility users/spectators must follow all posted facility guidelines and public health orders.
- It is highly recommended that only one parent/guardian attends per participant. It is strongly encouraged that no additional spectators, including children, are brought to the facility. If children must come out of necessity, they must remain seated with parent/quardian.
- Please proceed directly to the seating area upon arrival, unless tying skates for a participant.
- Sections of the bleachers will be closed. Available seating will be demarcated for individual seating (Xs) or cohort/family seating (space between the Xs) – please ensure social distancing is maintained between your group and others.

## **AFFILIATE SPORT ORGANIZATIONS**

- Organizations are responsible for sharing these protocols with their members.
- When possible, please encourage parents to drop-off and pick up participants to reduce the number of patrons inside the building.
- Organizations will be responsible for pre-screening participants before arriving to the facility. And having information for COVID-19 screening given to all participants prior to any use.
- Organizations will play a role in monitoring and reinforcing physical distancing measures with members of their own organization.
- No meetings are allowed at the facility, including in the bleachers or lobbies.
- All organizations will be responsible for appointing either managers or coaching staff to keep attendance for every use at the Onoway Arena, as required by AHS for contact tracing purposes. This includes the name, phone number and for minor players, the name of a



responsible adult. Confirmation of this appointed individual should be provided to ODAS for their records and any required emergency contact related to COVID-19.

- All organizations will be responsible for appointing either managers or coaching staff to use wipe down the dressing rooms after their participants have left, including the benches and handles in the dressing room. Cleaning supplies, sanitizer spray and towels will be provided for you to use.
- When playing a sport or engaging in a physical activity that involves or requires multiple participants/players and where it is not possible to maintain a physical distance of 2 metres from other participants/players, the individuals in the group should form a cohort:
  - The cohort should always include only the same people. Cohorts limit the risk of disease transmission because they reduce the number of people with whom players/participants have close contact.
  - More information on cohorts is available: https://www.alberta.ca/assets/documents/covid19-relaunch-guidance-cohorts.pdf
  - The maximum number of individuals that can form a cohort is 50. The 50-person maximum includes any coaches/staff, instructors, participants, officials, and volunteers who consistently and routinely engage with participants at less than 2 metres.
  - Coaches, staff, and officials who primarily interact with individuals or teams at 2 metres or greater do not need to be counted as part of the cohort. These individuals are required to wear a mask and perform proper hand hygiene if it becomes necessary to temporarily interact with cohorting participants at a distance of less than 2 metres.
  - Transportation to and from activities should be arranged so that only cohort members, or members from the same household, share rides.