Thorhild & District Agricultural Society User Groups – COVID 19



Permitted arena activities

Effective September 25, 2020 the Thorhild Agriplex lobby, upstairs and arena ice rentals may resume.

General requirements during your visit to Thorhild Agriplex

While visiting, the following behaviour is mandatory in public spaces:

- Maintain 2m physical distancing at all times (see signage/stickers on location).
- Practice correct respiratory etiquette at all times (as per AHS signage)
- Practice correct handwashing/sanitizing at all times. (as per AHS signage)
- Follow directional arrows and physical distancing reminder stickers throughout the facility.
- Comply with specific staff requests related to COVID 19 facility protocols (for example don't move unfixed seating, respect closed areas or equipment signs etc.)

Any groups or individuals booking ice at the Thorhild Agriplex <u>must</u> communicate their rental plan to the Society Board including the steps they will take to prevent the spread of COVID 19 during their arena rental, participant numbers and planned activity (dance, hockey, skating, meetings etc.)

User groups not following facility or provincial guidelines during their rental will be asked to leave Thorhild Agriplex and will not be compensated for resulting lost rental time.

Mandated user group behaviour during activity

- ➤ Proactively and regularly monitor participants for symptoms. (As per AHS) Symptomatic individuals are prohibited from participating.
- ➤ Coaches, players and team staff should maintain a physical distance of 2 metres when off the ice and wear masks. As well as dancers and instructors when not engaged in class.
- ➤ Group celebrations, handshakes, high fives, fist bumps, chest bumps etc. that bring participants with 2 meters or promote contact are <u>prohibited</u>.
- Participants should perform frequent hand hygiene before, during and after the activity.
- Participants should refrain from touching their eyes, nose, mouth, and face while participating or while wearing sporting gloves.
- Participants must exhibit good respiratory etiquette and hand hygiene. (As per AHS signage). Clearing of nasal passages and spitting is prohibited.

Accessing/leaving Thorhild Agriplex

User groups and spectators must wait in their vehicle and access the facility no more than 15 minutes prior to the start of their rental. Renters and participants must leave the arena within 15 minutes after completion of their rental. After the rental time spectators not utilizing the services of the facility (washrooms or concession) are asked to leave the building to help maintain distancing in the lobby and adhere to AHS guidelines.

Spectators

- Maximum capacity of 100 spectators throughout designated bleacher area. (50 on the home side & 50 on the visitor side)
- ➤ Physical distancing of 2 metres should be maintained by spectators at all times, unless from the same household (Alberta Health Services-AHS)
- Parents are to keep out of participant spaces (dressing rooms) unless assistance is needed to participant.
- Cheering and yelling is strongly discouraged as it presents a high risk of spreading droplets (AHS).
- > It is mandatory that spectators wear masks.
- Access to bleacher area should be for the duration of booking only.
- ➤ Parents are to socialize outside the building and to maintain 2 m social distancing at all times. Do <u>not</u> congregate inside the building.
- Most important, please be respectful of staff and adhere to the rules set in place at Thorhild Agriplex.

Upstairs Rentals

- A maximum of 25 persons for the upstairs rental for Ukrainian Dance. (Includes waiting room and dance floor area) Only 1 parent/guardian per dancer allowed in the waiting room. Everyone must wear a mask and adhere to the 2m distancing. Dancers may remove masks while dancing only. Staggering of entry & exit of the waiting room between the dancers and parents to reduce numbers in the room.
- ➤ A maximum of 20 persons for the upstairs meeting room rental for a common purpose such as a meeting or course. Masks must be worn and a 2m social distance must be adhered to.

Hydration

Building water fountains will be inoperable. Individual participants must bring their own water bottles. Each bottle should be clearly labeled with the name of the participant – personal water bottles are not to be shared.

Benches

Masks must be worn by coaches and helpers at all times on the bench as we realize that while helping players that 2m will not be attainable at all times. Social distancing measures are to be carried out whenever possible. Benches will be sanitized by staff of Thorhild Agriplex after each usage. A garbage can lined with a disposable bag will be provided at each player bench for the use of properly disposing of any PPE that is used during ice rental.

Bleachers

Bleachers will be sanitized by staff of Thorhild Agriplex after each day.

Lost and found items

Staff will place lost items in a secure location for a short period of time. Please contact arena to describe item lost and make arrangements for pick up.

Dressing Rooms

Players will be allotted 15 mins to dress prior to rental. Players requiring more time should be prepared to come in as much hockey equipment as possible, and keep their equipment organized neatly in their personal space. Players will have 15 mins to exit building after rental. Each team will be assigned 2 dressing rooms for practices and games. Dressing Rooms will be sanitized prior to each use. Maintain 2m physical distancing. Masks are mandatory in dressing rooms. Showers are not accessible at this time.

Traffic flow signage will be posted for ice surface as follows:

- 2 Dressing rooms will be assigned for each team on whiteboard
- > Spectators will enter bleachers through double blue doors in the lobby across from the women's washrooms.
- Only coaches, participants and guardians of participants requiring assistance will be permitted in dressing room. Any patrons not following this guideline will be required to leave Thorhild Agriplex.

Washrooms

Downstairs: A maximum of 3 people/washroom at any time. Please always maintain 2m distancing in washrooms. Upstairs: A maximum of 1 person/washroom. Staff will sanitize washrooms after each rental. Proper hygiene instructions and maximum washroom capacity signage will be posted.

Concession

Patrons will follow directional arrows and maintain 2m distancing when approaching concession. All hot food items will be pre-ordered with a pick up time. Any hot food orders must be placed 30 mins prior to end of rental. Concession will be closed 5 mins after the rental time ends. (eg. 5 mins after players get off the ice)

Thorhild Agriplex arena operator protocols

Agriplex operators will be responsible for ice maintenance and additional cleaning of any high-touch surfaces such as: door handles, faucets in washrooms including flushers, bleacher railings, and score clock using Health Canada approved disinfecting protocols.

Agriplex operators will wear masks at any time they are unable to maintain 2m physical distancing from public.

Agriplex renter's responsibilities

Participant tracking

All arena renters are required to keep a record of every individual participant present during their rental as required by AHS for contact tracing purposes. This includes the name, phone number, email address and for minor players the name of the guardian. User groups need to communicate to their participants that the information is being recorded for AHS purposes and must obtain written or verbal consent in order to do so.

Maintain mandated behavior while in the facility

At all times, respect and oversee adherence to the communicated and posted public health facility guidelines to mitigate the spread of COVID 19.

Provide a plan of practice

In advance to an arena rental booking, renters are required to provide a plan of practice that include the following:

- ➤ How you plan to maintain 2m distances between all participants not from the same household during you rental.
- > Number of individual participants that will be attending your rental.
- > Additional disinfecting protocols you will take during your rental.

Identification of symptomatic individual

Immediately upon identifying that a participant, coach, instructor, volunteer, aide or spectator in Thorhild Agriplex has symptoms of COVID 19, or is in violation of any current public health order, user groups are responsible for removing the individual and if unable to do so immediately isolate that individual in an "Isolation Room". Renters for the downstairs rental will have a specific isolation room downstairs and renters for an upstairs rental will have an isolation room upstairs. Transportation out of facility must be arranged by the Agriplex user group.