

RINGETTE PEI COVID-19 GUIDELINES

2021-2022 SEASON
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SECTION 1

INTRODUCTION

At the beginning of the 2020-2021 ringette season, Ringette PEI developed a set of Return to Play guidelines to help the ringette community navigate the realities of playing ringette during the COVID-19 pandemic. With COVID-19 still very much present in our community, all Ringette PEI members will be required to abide by the updated health guidelines outlined in this document for the 2021-2022 season.

These guidelines have been developed in accordance with the guidelines in place by the PEI Chief Public Health Office and the Government of PEI. More info regarding COVID on PEI can be found [here](#). In order to participate in any Ringette PEI sanctioned events all members of Ringette PEI including athletes, coaches, officials, volunteers, spectators, board members, and staff must abide by these guidelines.

Our number one priority is to provide a safe environment for all Ringette PEI participants so we can continue to play the sport we love!

Please note: These guidelines are subject to change with little to no notice. Be sure to refer back to them often and/or keep an eye on Ringette PEI social media outlets for updates.



SECTION 2

FACILITIES AND COHORTS

As of Thursday, February 17th, 2022 Island ringette teams will be permitted to return to game play.

Each facility may have different guidelines in place so it is recommended that teams check with facilities beforehand.

There is now a limit of 50 people permitted on the ice during a ringette event. This includes coaches and volunteers who are unable to maintain physical distance at all times. Facilities are permitted to have spectators at half capacity. So if a facility can seat 300 people, they are permitted to have 150. There is no need to cohort.

On-ice participants should continue to arrive up to 30 minutes before their ice time and leave as quickly as possible after their ice time. Spectators should try to enter as close to the ice time start as possible and exit as soon as the ice time is over.

There should still be efforts made for people to keep physical distancing and not to “crowd” in areas that tend to get congested (lobbies, washrooms, etc.)



SECTION 3

PEI VAX PASS

As of February 28th, 2022, proof of vaccination is no longer required to participate in recreational activities or enter Island facilities. Teams travelling to off Island tournaments, such as Nationals and Eastern Canadians, might still have to show proof of vaccination to participate in the event. Teams should check with tournament organizers for confirmation.

We would like to thank all volunteers and facility employees who helped to run the Vax Pass program!



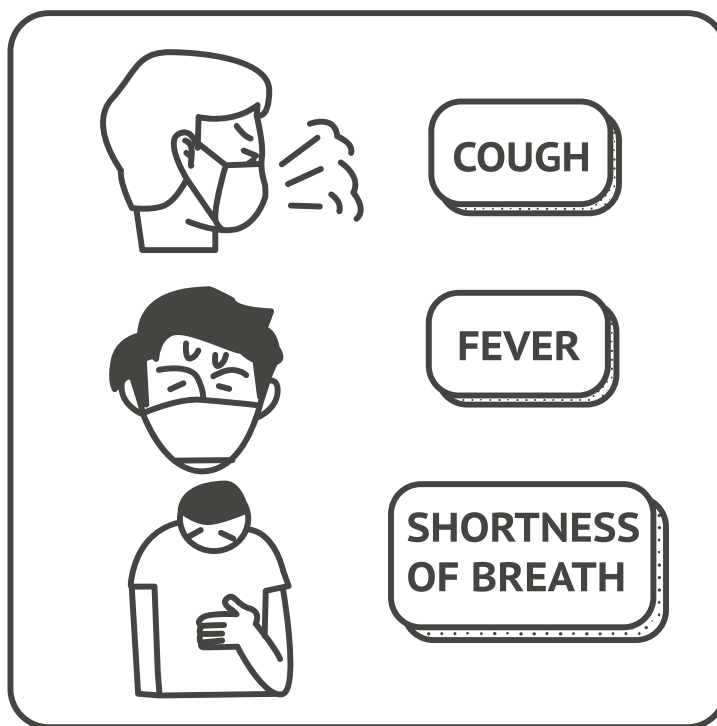
More guidance on COVID and Sport and recreation can be found [here](#) including close contact information, what to do if there is a positive case on your team, and different scenarios to help work through identifying close contacts, etc.

SECTION 4

CONTACT TRACING AND SELF MONITORING

Contact tracing **will not be required at facilities and events**. Teams should still keep a log of participants and team staff who attend each game and practice to refer to quickly in the event of a positive case. Should anyone test positive on a team, they should let their coaches and/or manager know.

All participants must continue to self monitor for symptoms of COVID-19 and not attend any ringette events if experiencing these symptoms. By attending, the participant is acknowledging that they pass screening requirements and are showing no signs of COVID-19 symptoms.



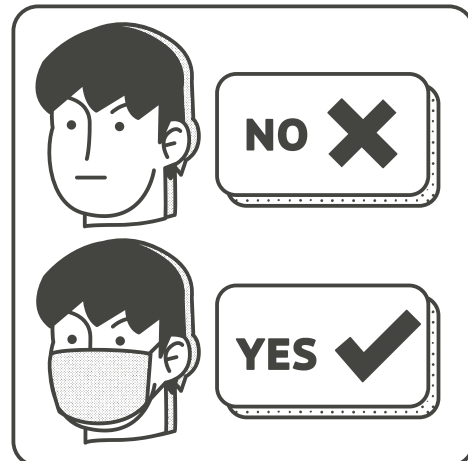
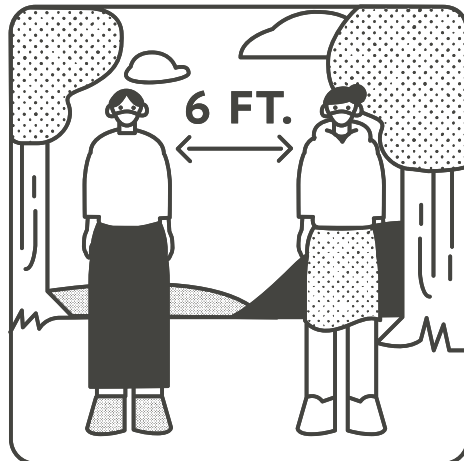
SECTION 5

MASKS AND HYGIENE

MASKS

Non-medical masks must be worn in all indoor public spaces on PEI. All Ringette PEI participants will be required to wear a mask when inside facilities at all times.

- Players and officials can remove their masks once helmets go on. Masks should be put on as soon as helmets come off in the dressing room.
- Team staff must keep masks on at all times, especially on the benches. If team staff is on the ice during a practice or game, they are not required to wear a mask.
- All spectators must wear masks and abide by all guidelines put in place by the facility including maintaining a 6 foot space between them and others not in their cohort.



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- Continue to wash and sanitize hands frequently
- All participants must have their own water bottle clearly marked with their name or another distinguishing feature. Sharing of water bottles is **NOT PERMITTED**
- Communal equipment should be sanitized regularly
- Do not spit, sneeze, or cough openly, as this increases the risk of transmission, always be sure to cover your mouth/nose and sanitize/wash hands afterwards
- Try to keep yelling and cheering to a minimum
- If you are feeling unwell, stay home and seek out medical attention and/or COVID-19 testing.



SECTION 6

TRAVEL AND

TOURNAMENTS

TRAVEL

Interprovincial travel is now permitted for teams.

GAMES AND TOURNAMENTS

Game play has resumed. Participants cannot mix with more than 50 individuals over the course of a day.

