

City of Timmins Ice Use Protocols – Effective August 4, 2021

As the COVID-19 (Coronavirus) outbreak continues to evolve, health and safety is our number one priority. To ensure the health and safety of the community cooperation is required from everyone.

Safety measures in place include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Screening before entering the facility
- Physical distancing
- Hand sanitization upon entry and exit of the facility
- Restrictions on the number of users and spectators
- One-way entrance into the facility, and designated exits using directional floor markers to support physical distancing
- Enhanced cleaning of the facility following each ice rental
- No access to the general public
- Designated COVID-19 Representative provided by each ice user group

In order to ensure a safe return to facility utilization the following protocols have been adopted for ice user groups and participants.

Ice Use Protocols

- Mask/face covering must be worn while in the facility, except for on-ice activity.
 Bench staff must wear a mask/face covering.
- Follow facility traffic flow plan. Signage and physical distancing markers have been posted.
- It is recommended to arrive no earlier than 15 minutes prior to going on the ice. Depart the facility no longer than 10 minutes after contracted ice time.
- Utilize designated dressing rooms to put equipment on. It is recommended to come partially dressed to reduce time needed in dressing room. Masks must be worn while in the dressing room.
- No more than 35 participants plus up to 3 staff/coaches are permitted on the ice.
- Spectators are limited to 2 per participant (no more than 70 spectators).
- Use designated washroom facilities.
- All user groups must record the name and contact information of every member
 of the public who attends (participants, officials, bench staff and spectators). An
 attendance record must be provided to City Staff, or the visitors sign in log be
 completed. All records must be maintain for a period of at least one month.
- Off ice warm-up activities are not permitted within the facility.
- Dryland training sessions are not permitted on the facility grounds.
- No outside food permitted. Individual water bottles are permitted.

It is required that program/league administrators complete a Covid-19 Safety Plan describing the steps being taken to adhere to all regulations and requirements including distancing and crowd control. The final plan should be shared with all participants (athletes, parents or guardians, coaches, volunteers, spectators).

Consequences of Not Following Protocols

If it is determined that user groups and their respective participants/members are not adhering to the protocols, the progressive discipline steps detailed below will be followed:

It is imperative that coaches and off-ice representatives set an example and support our efforts to keep our staff and users safe.

This includes ensuring that you and your team(s) are:

- following COVID protocols such as face coverings and physical distancing
- respecting time limits on the ice and in dressing rooms
- cleaning up your garbage
- not bringing food or beverages into the facility
- being respectful to everyone

When appropriate we will use progressive measures, however, the type of discipline imposed may depend on the nature of the problem and may result in immediate suspension. Ice time will not be refunded in the event of a suspension.

- First Offence: verbal warning
- Second Offence: written warning
- Third Offence: one(1) week suspension from facility
- Subsequent offences will immediately result in additional suspension time

We appreciate your support and cooperation as we navigate these challenging times together.