



OLIVER & DISTRICT ARENA COVID-19 Guidelines

All ice times must be booked through the Recreation Administration Office at 250-498-4985 EXT:203 with proper permit, proof of liability insurance and COVID-19 Safety Plan in place. No ice time requests will be accepted at the arena Facility staff will clean public washrooms, lobby and arena spaces periodically. Dressing rooms will be cleaned/disinfected between each user group.

General Guidelines

No one shall enter the facility if they exhibit symptoms consistent with respiratory illness (fever, cough), have been instructed to self-isolate or have returned from travel outside of Canada within 14 days.

The use of masks/face coverings is mandatory for all visitors to the Oliver Arena aged 5 years and up in all common areas with the exception of the ice surface or "field of play". Common areas of the facility includes entrances/exits, dressing rooms, lobby, hallways, washrooms, and the bleachers.

A COVID Ambassador for each ice user group must be assigned and be a visible presence (e.g. arm band signifier): this volunteer/parent/coach or instructor would oversee adherence to these guidelines, the group's return to sport plan, ensure COVID protocols are being followed, and would monitor PSO/LSO updates. Onsite, the Ambassador is also expected to monitor COVID safety plan compliance with the visiting team should that team not have a COVID Ambassador present.

While the PHO Gathering and Events Order states that indoor capacity is back to 100%, as of the publication of these guidelines the IHA order has not been recinded, therefore indoor sport activities can have 50 spectators or 50% seated capacity, whichever is greater. The Oliver Arena has a normal seating capacity of 400 people, so the maximum number of spectators is 200 people.

Please wash your hands. Use the sanitizing station at entrance and the sinks in the arena washrooms.

Proof of Vaccination

As per the Oct 25 Gatherings and Events Order from the Province of BC:

Any unpaid supervisor/coach/volunteer supervising or assisting with indoor and outdoor youth sport must show proof of vaccine (two doses).

All spectators (12 yrs +) must show proof of vaccine (two doses) at indoor sport and activities.

Indoor sport participants 22 and older must show proof of vaccine (two doses).

Youth 12 and older participating in sport events and programs primarily with adults must show proof of vaccine (two doses).

Organizers of events and programs must check proof of vaccination for indoor and outdoor sport.

Youth participants (21 and under) in a child and youth sport event or program **do not** need to show proof of vaccination.

Employees working in sport activities or programming in their employment capacity **do not** need to show proof of vaccination.

Public skating programs organized by the OPRS are considered an “inside event” and will be limited to 50 participants or less.

Access to the Facility

Assigned arena entrance doors will open up to 60 minutes before ice rental unless otherwise authorized.

All minor sport participants will use the main lobby for entrance/exit to the arena. All adult sport group participants can use the southeast corner entrance/ exit. Participants occupying dressing rooms 5 & 6 may exit directly out of the dressing room exterior doors to the parking lot.

Dressing rooms/lobby are open for use. Masks are required in these areas for anyone 5 years and over.

At the end of the session, participants must exit the ice on time so that the next group can start on time. Dressing rooms must be vacated within 30 minutes of the end of the user group’s ice time.

On Ice Procedure

There are no capacity limits for the number of participants on the ice surface/ “field of play”.

Activities on the ice must follow sport-specific safety guidelines from via Sport, affiliated PSO or CARHA.

Spitting in not allowed anywhere in the facility, no exceptions. Tobacco products are prohibited.

All user groups must comply with the instructions from Oliver Arena Facility staff and ensure that no one is on the field of play when the ice resurfacer is out on the ice.

Compliance

All user groups must abide by both the Facility guidelines and policies as well as their own safety plan. Failure to do so will result in:

- A .Management issuing a verbal warning for first offence.
- B. Management issuing a written warning for second offence.
- C. Loss of recreation facility privileges