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Oilfield's Relaunch Strategy COVID 19

Restrictions Exemption Program / Operating Guideline effective September 24, 2021

The guidance strategy provided by the province – this includes measures for the safety and wellbeing of all facility users and staff. The goal is to reduce the risk of transmitting COVID-19. These plans may be scaled up or down as per the updated recommendations of the province.

COVID-19 has many risk factors, included but not limited to: illness, respiratory illness, short and long-term health complications, treatment risks, complications and possible death. You must understand and accept these risks before you and your children enter this facility.

Your chance of contracting COVID-19 increases in sports arenas. The following guidelines on physical distancing & hygiene must be followed;

- Stay at home if you or your child are sick or showing any signs of COVID-19
- Wear a mask when entering and leaving the facility or moving in the facility
- Avoid physical contact with other individuals
- Wash your hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds; if soap and water not available, use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer – thoroughly and often
- Avoid touching your face with unwashed hands
- If coughing or sneezing, do it into a tissue or the bend of your arm – NOT your hand – dispose of the tissue ASAP – wash your hands after
- The users' responsibility is to have completed a COVID-19 SCREENING ASSESSMENT each time you enter the facility. If you are unable to produce these forms or a digital copy if requested, you may be denied access to the facility
- There will be a staff member at the door to make sure everyone has the required proof of Vaccine, exemption note or negative COVID-19 test and the COVID-19 screening assessment to enter the facility.

Liability

- Upon entering this facility you are releasing the Town of Black Diamond and its employees from any liability due to COVID-19. The responsibility falls upon each person who enters the facility. All patrons who wish to enter the Oilfields Regional Arena during the declared public health emergency has the understanding of all the risks related to COVID-19. You are entering this facility at your own risk.
- Please pass on this information to members of your organization.



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Vaccination Requirements

- On September 24, 2021 all **participants** 18+, Coaches, Volunteers, Spectators 12+ must be either vaccinated, have medical exemption note or have proof of a privately paid for PCR or Rapid test within 72 hours of entering the facility. Your proof of vaccination must be dated 14 days prior to entering the facility.
- **Participants under the age of 18** do not require proof of vaccination.
- After October 25th two doses are required (with the exception of the Janssen Canada (Johnson and Johnson vaccine) as only one is required) at least 14 days prior entering the facility, or a negative test for COVID-19 or exemption letter.
- A negative test must be taken within 72 hours prior to entering the facility – a rapid antigen, rapid PCR or lab based PCR approved by Health Canada or lab accreditation body of jurisdiction. Testing **MUST NOT** be sourced from the Alberta Health Services public COVID-19 testing system.
- Spectators 12+ to 18 must supply proof of vaccine, exemption letter or negative covid test if they are in the facility to spectate and masked at all times unless eating or drinking
- The Oilfields Regional Arena complies with the government of Alberta's Restrictions Exemptions Program, and all arena rentals or bookings must ensure that any participants in their booking or rental 18+ are vaccinated, have an exemption letter or negative COVID-19 test and picture ID and wear a mask when entering or leaving the facility.
- Avoid physical contact with other individuals when not participating.

Guidelines

- Players, Coaches and volunteers must be masked when in the facility (until on the ice surface (they are not required while participating in sports).
- Spectators are allowed in the bleachers and masks must be worn at all times while in the Facility.
- Usage of change rooms is allowed, and participants are required to wear masks until they go onto the ice surface
- Water fountain will be accessible; Water bottles should have your name on it, and do not share it with anyone else.
- The coach, team rep or the organization will be responsible for ensuring that all players and participants have completed a COVID-19 screening assessment every time they enter the facility. They are responsible for collecting these screening assessments; they must be kept for three weeks and be available if requested. If the assessments have not been completed, you may not be allowed in the facility.



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- If you leave something in the facility it will be thrown out as there will be no lost and found. Each participant that enters the facility is responsible for cleaning their own equipment before their next visit to the facility; coaches will be responsible for the training items, which includes its proper disinfecting.
- The lobby, lobby washrooms, lobby viewing area, water fountain and concession will be available for you to use.
- Practice's and games are allowed.
- It is the coaches' responsibility to control the group on the ice – physical distancing is not required on the ice and masks may be removed while participating.
- People operating the score clock, record-keeping and penalty boxes must wear a mask. They must also have filled out a COVID-19 screening assessment and comply with all other measures as stipulated in MOH orders.
- Showers are available for all participants.
- Failure to follow these rules may result in loss of future rentals.

SPECTATORS

- You will not be permitted to enter the facility without
- a mask,
- vaccanine record,
- covid test or exemption letter and
- picture ID if you are 18 or older plus a covid screening test you.

If you remove your mask in the facility (with the exception of eating or drinking) you be requested to leave. Falure to follow these measures will result in being banned from the facility.

The Town of Black Diamond will not tolerate any abuse to staff.. Abuse may result in you being banned from the facility and subject to criminal charges.



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Change Room protocol

- Hand sanitizing stations are available at the entrance and designated exits – these are motion sensor activated, so no need to touch. Every person who enters the arena should use the hand sanitizing station. It is **required** that you wear a mask when entering and leaving the change room (not recommended for participants while on the ice surface). You will only be permitted to enter the the change room 30 min before your scheduled ice time. When your ice time has finished **you have 30 minutes to leave the change room.**

STAFF

- When the participants are on the ice, staff will start the cleaning process for the entrance and lobby.. cleaning the empty change rooms and washrooms will occur after the lobby is completed. During the cleaning phase, all staff are required to wear the proper PPE. All staff are required to wear masks while patrons are in the facility or when working directly with another staff member.

EMERGENCY RESPONSE COVID-19

If a participant or coach or spectator shows signs and symptoms of described COVID 19 symptoms while at the facility:

- Isolate the person in a separate area
- Contact the parent/guarding to come and pick up the person if under age.
- Staff are to have on mask, gloves and a face shield when near the impacted individual and when the parent or guardian is contacted – give them the door number, so it is not thru the main portion of the building. (Recommending dressing room #5 and door N1).
- Thorough cleaning of the facility in every area the participant was located in – hockey boards, gates, walls, floors, glass – both sides, doors etc. The facility will remain closed until the cleaning is complete before the next group will be allowed into the arena. The organization will be responsible for informing members.



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- Report on what has happened, who was involved, all procedures that were followed, when everything that was cleaned and if any staff may have been in contact.

VERBAL ABUSE

Any form of abuse towards the staff on how the facility is being operated during the pandemic will not be tolerated. Offenders may lose their privilege to use the facility.

USER GROUPS

- Failure to follow these guidelines in regards to COVID-19 may result in termination of the contract for facility usage for the remainder of the current season. Termination of your contract will be given after; One written warning. If the usage contract is terminated, a refund will only be given on unused prepaid rentals. If it is one team in an organization – only the offending one team may lose the facility privileges. This will be at the discretion of the facility manager. Verbal and Physical abuse of any staff member and/or member of the public may result in immediate suspension and possible termination of a teams contract.
- User groups are responsible for contacting the facility if they have a suspected or confirmed outbreak of Coronavirus in their group or team. All members that have been in contact with that team member should isolate for 10 days before returning to use the facility – providing they have no symptoms.