



PARKS, RECREATION & CONSERVATION

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Attention Organizations,

First and foremost here at E.J. Murray Memorial Skating Center, we hope that you and your loved ones are safe and healthy. We know this outbreak has been stressful to many and recognize that exercising and participating in activities like sports can be a healthy way to cope with stress and connect with our community. After careful thought and planning, we are excited that we plan to resume youth sports while following CDC considerations to protect players, families, and our community.

The health and safety of our athletes, staff, and volunteers remain our highest priority. Below, you will find a summary of actions we require to be taken to help ensure that we are lowering COVID-19 risk as much as possible while also allowing our athletes to play. If protocols are not followed the rink reserves the right end said rental. Required actions are:

- Temperature checks and recording of rosters of skaters is required and responsibility of the organization renting the facility. Anyone who is sick or has been in contact with someone who has COVID-19— including players, family members, coaches, staff and spectators — should not attend practices. Be on the lookout for symptoms of COVID-19, which include fever, cough, or shortness of breath. Call your doctor if you think you or a family member is sick.
- Skaters must come ready to skate. Locker rooms, lobby, and bathrooms are off limits until further notice. There is a 10 minute window to exit the premises after rented has concluded.
- Reducing physical closeness or contact between players when possible, by allowing players to focus on building individual skills, keeping skaters in small groups, and discouraging unnecessary physical contact, such as high-fives, handshakes, fist bumps, and hugs.
- Limited capacity of 25 skaters on the ice surface at a time including coaches
- As per NY State regulations no team competitions are permitted at this time.
- Promoting healthy hygiene practices , such as encouraging hand sanitizer before and after practices, encouraging children to cover coughs and sneezes with a tissue or to use the inside of their elbow, and reminding them to not spit.
- Requesting that coaches, youth sports staff, officials, skaters, any patron entering and exiting the facility wear a cloth face covering. Players may opt to wear a cloth face covering on the ice area, and during play if feasible. As a reminder, cloth face coverings should not be placed on young children younger than 2 years of age, anyone who has trouble breathing, or is unconscious, incapacitated or otherwise unable to remove the cover without assistance.
- Limiting the sharing of equipment, by providing extra equipment to minimize the need to share or encouraging players to bring their own equipment.

- All equipment needed for your organization must be supplied by your organization (Hockey goals are the only exception). **NO SKATE RENTALS** will be provided till further notices.

If you have a specific question about this plan or COVID-19, please contact Patty Urban at (914)377-6469 for more information. You can also find more information about COVID-19 at www.cdc.gov.

We look forward to seeing you. Now, let's skate!

Thank you and stay healthy,
City of Yonkers Department of Parks, Recreation and Conservation