



Preventative Measure Information for General Arena Users

(Updated December 4, 2020)

LEVEL ORANGE - RESTRICT

Effective Monday, December 7, 2020

The City continues to take direction from provincial legislation and Thunder Bay District Health Unit requirements regarding the COVID-19 pandemic. The health and safety of our employees and the public remains our top priority and we have worked hard to ensure this is maintained as we reopen indoor recreation facilities.

Anyone entering City arenas must adhere to the all existing and new restrictions. New restrictions in LEVEL ORANGE – RESTRICT are noted in **BOLD** below. Please review carefully as some existing restrictions have also been clarified:

General

1. All participants are required to follow all safety measures in place while using the facility.
2. Masks are required at all times except during on-ice play.
3. Participant group size is maximum 25 plus organizational staff such as coaches, designates, managers, trainers, referees and timekeepers.
4. All teams will be required to follow HNO Return to Play Guidelines.
5. Organized team sports that are practised or played by players in a league may only be practised or played within the facility if the league either,
 - i) contains no more than 50 players and does not permit its teams to play against teams outside of the league, or
 - ii) divides its teams into groups of 50 or fewer players and does not permit teams in different groups to play against one another or against teams outside the league
6. Hockey bags are not permitted into the facility, with the exception of necessary bags for goalies and coaches.
7. Please bring your own filled water bottle to the session with your name on it.
8. Shared spaces will be cleaned between groups.

Spectators

9. **NO SPECTATORS ARE PERMITTED.**
10. **PARTICIPANTS 18 & UNDER MAY BE ACCOMPANIED BY ONE PARENT/GUARDIAN. TO LIMIT NUMBERS IN THE ARENA, WE ASK THAT PARENTS/GUARDIANS ONLY ACCOMPANY THEIR CHILD IF NECESSARY FOR SUPERVISION OR ASSISTANCE.**

Entry & Exit

11. Entry and exit must take place promptly within 15 minutes prior to and following the rental time. These are the only times that entrances will be open and staffed for entry screening. Doors will be locked during rentals while staff conduct other duties including cleaning/sanitizing.
12. Any patron leaving the facility during a rental will not be permitted to re-enter during the rental time and will be required to wait until the end of the rental.
13. Renters are required to provide a designate from their organization/group to assist participants during their rentals. A designate could be a coach, volunteer, parent or instructor.
14. The user group designate must provide an attendance roster with names and contact information, including all coaches and participants that were in the facility during the rental time.
15. All individuals entering the facility must complete and pass active screening by City staff at the designated entrance. Any individual that does not complete or pass screening must not enter the facility.

Active Screening

All individuals are required to be screened prior to entering the facility in accordance with current Public Health guidelines. Individuals must not enter the facility if they do not pass screening and must leave the facility if they become ill or develop symptoms while at the facility.

- Use of the City's online screening tool is strongly encouraged: www.thunderbay.ca/rfst
- Screening must be completed on the day of access, prior to attending the facility.
- Screening result (STOP/GO) must be shown to facility staff at the entrance.
- Entry will be more efficient if the online screening tool is completed.
- Anyone who has not completed proof of completed online screening will be screened at the entrance by facility staff.
- Please arrive 15min prior to start time to allow for screening to be completed, be patient and practice social distancing while waiting to enter.
- The entrance will be locked once screening is complete and the rental starts and re-entry will not be permitted until the end of the rental. Please arrive on time.

Health and Safety Protocol

- Stay home if you are sick; leave the facility if you become ill or develop symptoms while at the facility.
- Follow the posted health and safety information
- All individuals taking part in on ice activities must self-screen in accordance with current public health guidelines before each training session
- Masks are required in all enclosed public spaces, with the exception of those actively participating in physical activities. Masks are to be worn by participants when not actively participating in physical activities.
- Maintain physical distancing of 6 feet at all times in off-ice areas and during non-team activities on ice
- Hand sanitizing is required upon entering the facility
- Players/Coaches/Participants must abstain from spitting in any area of the arena.
- Providing PPE will be the responsibility of the user group as per the provincial and Thunder Bay District Health Unit guidelines at <https://www.tbdhu.com/>

Facility Information

- Dressing rooms are not available and players must arrive dressed
- Shower facilities are not available
- Premises must be vacated within 15 minutes of leaving the ice to allow cleaning for the next user group
- Maintaining social distancing on player benches is the responsibility of the user group

Personal Items, Storage & Equipment

- Hockey bags are not permitted into the arenas, with the exception of necessary bags for goalies and coaches.

Drop off and Pick Up

- Arrive no earlier than 15 minutes before your ice time
- Enter the facility at the designated entrance only, do not open other entrances to allow anyone entry
- Proceed directly to the designated area for your group
- No gatherings are permitted outside arena, in the parking lot or in arena lobby
- Exit at designated doors within 15 minutes of leaving the ice

Mask Requirements in Enclosed Public Spaces

Effective July 24, 2020, masks or face coverings will be required in all enclosed public spaces as directed by the Medical Officer of Health for the Thunder Bay District Health Unit. Masks must be worn when entering all arenas and indoor facilities and may be removed in an arena for the purpose of actively participating in physical activity.

Mask use should be combined with other protective measures, such as physical distancing, hand washing, not touching your eyes, nose, or mouth with unwashed hands, and staying home if you are sick.

For the latest City information and service updates during COVID-19 visit:

www.thunderbay.ca/coronavirus