

## Crowsnest Curling Club Covid-19 Relaunch Strategies

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### 1. Distancing Measures:

- Signage at front entrance to curling club (Practice Physical Distancing: [alberta.ca/covid19](http://alberta.ca/covid19)).
- Measure viewing area lower level to determine capacity to maintain a 2-meter distancing (square feet of area divided by 37 will give # of people allowed to maintain that 2m (6ft) separation).
- Floor markers to indicate distancing and direction flow.
- Enter the curling club, main door south side of building and exit building west door lower level.
- One-way flow direction signage (enter ice at door by sheet #1 and exit at door by sheet #6. Teams scheduled to play on sheet #6 will enter rink first, continue in descending order to last teams entering on sheet #1).
- No access to lockers or change room. Curlers should come dressed and ready to curl, other than shoes.
- Space chairs and mark benches with X for appropriate distancing.
- Possibly limit access to curling club to curlers only: guests subject to all requirements.
- Common sense: curlers who are spouses/roommates may not need the same distancing requirements.
- Follow all guidelines and protocols as per Chief Medical Officer of Health and Alberta Government.
- Playing the game: no handshakes or fist pumps
  - : Single sweeper (see guidelines Curling Alberta Manual in Dropbox).
  - : Distancing Illustrations (Appendix 5, Curling Alberta).
  - : If 2 meters spacing can't be maintained, masks are recommended.
  - : on- ice benches will be marked with X for 2 meters spacing (sanitation or cleaning with spray disinfectant).

- : Sweeping restrictions behind the tee line (see CA guideline).
- : have designated standing areas/markers on ice dividers for social distancing (see CA guidelines).
- : start games from alternate ends (rocks may be on the away end of the rink, depending on previous game).
- : Hammer- 3<sup>rd</sup> to use own coin, flip and call hammer.
- : Stones- players only touch their 2 stones and sanitize handles prior to start of game and after end of game.
- : Assign 2 players from each team to clear house at end of play to push and organize rocks (lead and second).
- : Measuring rocks- 1-person (3<sup>rd</sup>) measures. Measure stick is to be cleaned with wipes prior to and after use.
- : School curling, grades 3-12 will not be offered this year.

- Lounge Area: appropriate spacing of tables and chairs; limit of 4-6 people per table.
  - : Extra tables and chairs put away/marked off.
  - : Floor markings at 2-meter spacing approaching the bar.
  - : install shield for separation between bar staff and public to maintain safe distance OR use of masks at payment points.

## 2. Cleaning:

- Provide sanitizing dispensers in lobby area, viewing area, entrance and exit doors to ice, lounge/bar area; and wipes for ice area (both ends x 6 sheets).
- alcohol based sanitizer must have at least 60% alcohol.
- disinfectant should have a DIN number (Drug Identification number) and a virucide claim.
- Everyone who enters building is required to sanitize hands.
- Everyone's responsibility to use hand sanitizer and/or hand washing for 20 seconds.

- Increase sanitation for high touch surfaces (door handles, light switches, handrails etc.)
- Have a written cleaning and disinfecting schedule and training on proper procedures as needed.
- create a sanitation log of cleaning activity.
- Provide necessary cleaning products to maintain clean and safe areas/surfaces (wipes, hand sanitizers, hard- surface disinfectants).
- Provide cleaning persons with personal protective gear (mask and gloves).
- Have a sign-up sheet for member volunteers to help with sanitizing in the lobby/downstairs viewing area (benches, chairs, tables, door handles, light switches).
- Possibly hire person(s) to clean bar/lounge area (including bar surface, cash register, tables, and chairs as well as periodic deep cleaning. This person could also be responsible to run the bar on league evenings (7:30 pm-1030pm includes cleaning time).
- Any person borrowing club equipment is responsible to clean items with a disinfectant before and after use (periodic deep cleaning would also be required). Remove old brooms from ice area, leaving a few of the new brooms for curlers that need one.
- Designate one person (3<sup>rd</sup> ) to keep score for both teams and clean scoreboard numbers after completion of game.
- Remove communicable items: water dispenser, cups, magazines, playing cards etc. Use personal beverage containers marked for own use.

Clarification from the Municipality: There is a free standing hand sanitizer station at the curling arena entry. The curling area has been sanitized with no access so there should be no need for cleaning again. The locker rooms are the responsibility of the Club to clean and maintain. However, in phase 2 and in the regulations provided, the locker room is not allowed to open. The bathrooms have and will be cleaned on a schedule as

they have been. The club may want to look at more frequent cleaning if needed, depending on usage. Outside door handles will be sanitized on a schedule. **The Club may want to look at more frequent cleaning if needed, depending on usage.**

All shared contact points are to be closed off as per phase 2. This means no vending machines will be open.

\*signage will be needed for vending machines in the downstairs viewing area.

Distancing stickers may be applied to the carpet/floor. Markers are available on Amazon or Eddie's.

Follow up with Municipality is needed regarding access to locker room to remove curling gear and for access to prepare areas for safe distancing.

\*Once our lease takes effect, which is October 19, 2020 we have entry to the club and will need to monitor access and distancing to the locker room (2 persons at a time) to remove equipment. Interior and exterior of lockers will need to be sanitized wherever contact was made (club responsibility). Club set-up can occur October 19<sup>th</sup> or sooner if arranged with the Municipality.

### 3. Hygiene Awareness and Screening for Symptoms:

- display posters at entry to building, and on bulletin board to support awareness and actions to help prevent the spread of the virus.

(Covid-19 Precautions, Curling Alberta; Help Relaunch Safely, [alberta.ca/covid19](https://alberta.ca/covid19)).

- Screening health check/questionnaire on arrival to confirm if well to participate. If no, will be denied access to building and asked to access Alberta Health Services Online Assessment OR to contact Health Link at 811.

- Collect names and contact information (phone number) of attendees to support Public Health contact tracing efforts in the event of a positive testing.
- Reminders to not share personal items.
- Have a Rapid Response Plan to manage symptomatic participants, guests, or those exposed but with no symptoms.

#### 4. Personal Protective Equipment:

- Masks recommended if 2-meter distancing cannot be maintained.
- Masks worn during high intensity activity could have negative health effects (may be some exemptions for wear).
- Each club member /guest to supply their own mask and is to be worn properly.
- Masks should be worn on entry to the building as it's difficult to maintain social distancing in small areas.
- Supply masks and gloves for cleaners.
- Supply PPE (gloves, masks) to those delivering first aid if required.
- Supply gloves for bar staff handling money/drink cards.

#### 5. Responsibilities:

- Risk management: zero tolerance for signs of illness; awareness of expected behavior.
- Have a Covid compliance person/volunteer (do health check, sign waivers, collect contact information, education).
- Education: curlers/members are to be made aware of return to play guidelines and their role allowing return to curling under government mandated conditions (provide team information package to league chairs to forward to league members).
- Display applicable signage, posters.
- Inform club members Covid information is available on AHS website and curling club website.
- Member survey is to be completed.

- Keep a log of participants, to assist with contact tracing if required.
- Each curling participant to sign 2 waivers: Declaration of Compliance and Waiver of Assumption of Risk (for all adults and parent to sign for child curlers).
- Non-compliance: participant will be advised of guidelines; if not complying they are putting others at risk and they will be asked to NOT participate.
- Club Insurance: follow up with insurance carrier for response on impact of Covid- 19 on Crowsnest Curling Club.
- Hosting Bonspiels/Sanctioned Events: are required to follow all re-launch strategies and will be dependent if allowed under AHS guidelines.

