

CITY OF TORONTO



## STEP 3

### COVID-19 ARENA PROTOCOLS

**To: ALL Participants at Buckingham Sports Properties (Scotiabank Pond)**

The **Scotiabank Pond** has continued our commitment to making this a safe and fun experience for everyone. As we continue to progress through Stage 3, we have been successfully running hockey camps, tournament and evening group rentals. We will continue to follow Public Health Ontario updates and we will continue to strictly follow government protocols which will be enforced to keep our participants, visitors, and staff safe during this stage of re-opening. The basis for our re-opening is permitted by the Ontario Government under the 3 step re-opening plan. This plan will be provided to all Participants, parent and/or guardians to review and acknowledge prior to entering the **Scotiabank Pond**

For the safety of all our participants and all others who attend the **Scotiabank Pond** we summarized a few key operational procedures & protocols from our **Re-Opening Plan with COVID-19** for everyone to follow:

- **EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 22, 2021, THE ONTARIO GOVERNMENT IS MANDATING THE VACCINE PASSPORT FOR ALL SPORTS FACILITIES . IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE PERMIT/CONTRACT HOLDER TO ENFORCE AND VERIFY WITH THEIR GROUP OR ORGANIZATION. PROOF OF VACCINATION AND PHOTO ID WILL BE REQUIRED TO ENTER THE FACILITY. EXEMPTIONS WILL APPLY TO THOSE 18 YEARS OF AGE AND YOUNGER, COACHES, TRAINERS, OFFICIALS AND VOLUNTEERS OF MINOR HOCKEY, MEDICAL EXEMPTION (WITH DOCUMENTATION).**

**ALL SPECTATORS/VISITORS MUST CHECK IN AND PROVIDE PROOF OF VACCINATION AND PHOTO ID.**

- Anyone entering the facility and all persons in their household must be following provincial guidelines related to physical distancing, quarantine, and/or isolation as it pertains to COVID-19.

- Only participants and patrons who **DO NOT** exhibit any COVID-19 related symptoms will be permitted access in the facility. If you are feeling unwell or displaying any COVID-19 related symptoms you will not be permitted to enter the facility.
- If you have been in contact with anyone with a confirmed or suspected case of Covid-19, we ask that you **DO NOT** visit the facility unless you have adhered to all the Ministry of Health protocols and procedures.
- All participants or parents/guardians must complete our **“COVID-19 Participant Agreement”** before entering the facility.

### **Participant/Patron Safety Protocols For Youth Hockey Group**

1. Entry points in the facility will be monitored and limited to the main front entrance automated sliding doors **ONLY** in order to monitor how many people are entering/exiting the facility.
2. Upon entering the **Scotiabank Pond** all participants, parents and/or guardians are encouraged to utilize the hand sanitizer dispensers located at the entrance and throughout the facility.
3. Face masks/face coverings to protect and cover your nose and mouth are **mandatory under the current Toronto Public Health guidelines**. **Anyone entering not wearing a mask will not be permitted in the building.**
4. Participants are to bring their own water bottles (filled).

**SPECTATORS ARE PERMITTED – 2 SPECTATORS PER PLAYER. MUST SIGN IN AT THE FRONT DESK AND PROVIDE PROOF OF VACCINATION AND PHOTO ID.**

5. Games and scrimmages are permitted. Players benches will be permitted to use.
6. Access to each rink will be properly sectioned off to allow for appropriate physical distancing.

Until further notice we ask that all players to come to the arena no earlier than **30 minutes** prior to their scheduled ice time and depart **30** minutes after the skate. Dressing rooms will be available, additional seating will be made available inside the rink area and outside the dressing rooms. **Instructor/permit holder is to hand in attendance sheet/roster to the front desk and keep a copy with you.**

7. There will be limited access to the showers (approved by the arena).
8. Social distancing must be maintained at all times while in the facility.

9. Participants are to vacate Scotiabank Pond within 30 minutes of their exit from the ice surface in order to provide sufficient time for facility staff to clean and disinfect prior to next use. Participants are to exit through the main lobby.

### **Program Procedures**

- **No outside food or drinks**
- **Wash your hands before and after your program/skate**
- **Refrain from spitting on the ice and throughout the facility**
- **All skaters and coaches must wear a face mask in the facility until they are going on to the ice**
- **All spectators are required to wear a face mask while in the building**
- **We encourage participants to come as dressed as possible to limit the time in the dressing rooms**
- **Change rooms are cleaned after every use**
- **Maximum number of skaters on the ice is 30 plus coaches**
- **Skaters under 18 must be accompanied by a coach on ice at all times**

### **Rental Regulations**

- **All ice times are 50 minutes in length (flood comes out of the hour)**
- **All ice contracts must be prepaid, ice time is not confirmed until payment is received and COVID-19 waivers have been completed and submitted and the attendance sheet turned in**

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