



As Edmontonians return this Fall to City of Edmonton arenas, pools and recreation & leisure centres, we ask for your full cooperation to comply with all Alberta Health Services guidelines and City of Edmonton facility regulations. Our priority is the health and safety of our customers and staff.

Please do not visit a City of Edmonton Recreation Centre if you:

- Are feeling ill and/or experiencing any of the following symptoms: cough, fever, shortness of breath, runny nose or sore throat
- Have experienced any of the above symptoms in the last 10 days
- Have, within the last 14 days, returned home from travel outside of Canada or been in contact with someone who has traveled outside of Canada and tested positive for COVID-19

(1) Sport Cohorts - Limit Contact Only to 50 people:

- Where sports and activities cannot be moved outdoors or modified to maintain distance, it is essential to limit the number of contacts between different participants. This is done by playing within set cohorts (e.g., mini-leagues or bubbles with a fixed number of participants).
 - Mini-leagues and bubbles cannot exceed 50 people. This number includes those participants, officials, coaches and trainers who cannot maintain two metres of distance from others at all times. This number does not include parents and spectators.
****Please note that at Terwillegar Recreation Centre, the maximum capacity of EACH flexihall (gymnasium) is 33.***
 - Cohorts, mini-leagues and bubbles should remain together during Stage 2 of Relaunch and only play within the same geographical region (e.g., within a county, town or quadrant of a city).
 - Here is a link to the [Province's guidance for cohorts](#).
- Groups are required to maintain the list for a minimum of 2 weeks in case contact tracing is required.
- Maintain 2-meter physical distancing between people, except those who reside in the same household or who belong to an existing cohort.
- If any organization is found to be violating Cohort requirements, the organization will face the following consequences:
 1. First infraction - warning
 2. Second infraction - one day of bookings cancelled
 3. Third infraction - multiple bookings cancelled / possibility of booking agreement suspended.



(2) City of Edmonton Facility Regulations:

- **Mandatory Masks:** As of August 1, 2020 everyone entering and exiting any City of Edmonton facility is required to wear a mask. This includes in any common areas of a facility (washrooms, hallways, pool decks, etc).
- Masks are not required when engaging in intense physical activity and not permitted in the pool (in the water).
- **Coaches are required to wear a mask at all times.**
- **Pre-screening Measures:** Stay home if you are sick or displaying any symptoms of Covid-19. Follow the pre-screening procedures outlined by your organization or Alberta Health Services. Sport groups and organizations will be expected to ensure that all participants, officials, coaches, and trainers are cleared to enter the facility.
- **Entry into the Facility:**
When coming into the facility please make sure you pre screen upon entry and only arrive **10 mins** prior to entering the facility. Entry and exit will flow one way through each facility to facilitate physical distancing
- **Spectators:** At this time spectators are **not** permitted in recreation centres and leisure centres (there are separate, specific regulations for arena spectators). All members of the gymnasium or pool rental should be participants, coaches, or officials.
- **Equipment:** All User Groups are responsible for bringing their own equipment for their bookings. Poles and nets will be provided for rack sports and/or volleyball. Groups will be responsible to wipe down any shared equipment at the end of their booking.
- **Cleaning and Sanitizing:** Facilities have increased the frequency of environmental cleaning of washrooms, door/chair handles; tables; A/V equipment, elevator buttons, water fountain knobs, sports equipment, etc. before, during and after events to ensure a safe and healthy environment for everyone. Hand sanitizer will also be available at various spots throughout the facility, however, all rentals are responsible for offering additional hand sanitizer to their group. The City of Edmonton will provide additional cleaning during scheduled breaks in areas such as fitness centres, gymnasiums, fieldhouses and pools. Groups will be responsible to wipe down any shared equipment at the end of their booking. A full, deep clean will be conducted every evening.
- **Arrive Ready to Play:** Please ensure that all participants that require water bring their own as some facility water fountains are currently closed.



Gymnasium Bookings:

Participants are encouraged to arrive at the facility ready to participate in their activity without needing to use a change room. Many locker and change rooms are not currently available.

Aquatic Bookings:

We ask that you arrive at the facility already in your swimsuit.

Aquatic changerooms will be available only when you are leaving the pool areas. There will be only one-way traffic through the change rooms.

Non-transparent waterproof bins* will be provided on the pool deck in which to store personal items at most aquatic locations. Valuables lockers may be available in facilities where physical distancing is possible.

**User Groups should confirm with each facility for availability of bins.*

Respiratory etiquette is important to prevent the spread of droplets that may contain the COVID-19 virus. Attendees should refrain from spitting and clearing their nasal passages during activities.

(3) Sport-Specific Guidelines: Many sport governing bodies have developed sport-specific guidelines to provide direction on how their sports' activities can be modified to comply with Alberta Health Services (AHS) and Government directives regarding physical distancing and avoiding the sharing of common equipment.

Groups are expected to follow the sport governing body's guidelines with respect to these modifications. It is also the group's responsibility, if applicable, to ensure that sanctioned activities are permitted through their association and/or sport governing body.

Please be aware that facilities are subject to changing guidelines and possible closures in the interest of public health as the pandemic continues to progress.

The City of Edmonton will continue to monitor the virus and its impacts to public health, in partnership with The Government of Alberta and the Government of Canada. As this situation changes, we will keep you informed. Information about the City's response can be found on the City of Edmonton website [Covid-19 Page](#).