

COVID-19 GUIDELINES 2021-22 SEASON

To support the health and well-being of curlers, staff, spectators, and the public, the Whitehorse Curling Club (WCC) will continue to monitor and adhere to current public health measures related to the pandemic.

To prevent the spread of Covid-19 and its variants, we support the following measures:

- If you are eligible to be vaccinated, please do so.
- If you have Covid-19 symptoms, isolate and get tested.
- Maintain physical distancing whenever possible except during game activity.
- Wear a mask if physical distancing cannot be maintained.
- Wash your hands often or use available hand sanitizers.
- Do not share curling equipment or water bottles.

DO NOT come to the curling club if you have cold or flu symptoms, have been exposed to Covid-19, or are required to self-isolate.

The WCC will continue to monitor the implementation of Covid-19 safety plans and the evolving public health situation. The following directions may be revised from time to time during the season.

Playing the Game

Lockers are available to rent this season. Masking is required in the locker rooms.

Staggered start times will continue for all league curling to promote distancing on the lower level.

Seasonal equipment rentals and equipment sales will reduce the practice of sharing equipment and eliminate the need for sanitizing between uses.

At the start of a game, broom taps are an acceptable alternative to hand shaking or high fives.

Two sweepers are allowed this season. Teams are encouraged to make their own decisions regarding masking during play.

We recommend curlers maintain physical distancing when not actively engaged in play. Distancing markers will be placed in the ice.

We encourage curlers to continue wiping the handles of their curling stones before games. Antiseptic wipes will be available for this purpose.

The Yukon Brewing Fun League practice of rotating team members during a game can continue this season. Curlers coming onto the ice should wipe the handles of the stones they will deliver when they join the game.

Eleventh End Lounge

Members and guests will be required to sign-in in case contact tracing is necessary. Members' contact information is on file. Guests will need to include their phone number.

Masks are recommended for patrons when mingling and moving around the lounge. Masks are not required when seated.

Sixteen tables will be available with four chairs each. Teams coming off the ice may join tables to sit with their opponents.

Safety shields will remain in place at the bar. Distancing markers will show people where to stand while waiting to be served.

Staff will be masked when they come from behind the bar to work among the patrons.

Junior Programs

We recognize that children under the age of 12 are at higher risk for spreading Covid-19 because they are not currently vaccinated.

While children are less likely to develop severe symptoms, parents should understand that participation in curling activities increases the possibility of exposure to the coronavirus.

Parents are required to keep their children home from junior curling programs, if the child(ren) develop any symptoms related to Covid-19.

Program leaders and coaches will encourage junior participants to adhere to measures to prevent the spread.

Bonspiels

Bonspiels are planned for this season. Guidelines for bonspiels will require additional considerations with curlers joining us from other communities, banquets and award ceremonies. Those guidelines will be available soon.

Throughout the Club

Cleaning and sanitizing practices that were adopted last season and implemented daily, will continue this season.

If you have questions, call us at (867) 667-8275 or email us at info@whitehorsecurlingclub.com.

We thank the membership for your continued cooperation.