



General Guidelines for City of Thunder Bay Satellite Arenas

Reopening Guidelines – Effective September 11, 2021

Participants:

The total number of members of the public permitted at any one time must not exceed 50 per cent of the facility capacity.

Spectators:

Each arena bleacher capacity is listed below.

Indoor sport facilities with spectators are permitted at 50 per cent capacity. All spectators must wear masks and follow physical distancing guidelines.

Maximum spectator capacity in bleachers for each arena is as follows:

Current River Arena - **27**

Delaney Arena - **17**

Grandview Arena - **15**

Neebing Arena - **17**

Port Arthur Arena – **43**

Team Sports/League Play: Team sports including practices and games are allowed. Each group/league must provide a Safety Plan that must be approved before the rental time. Each organization must complete the Safety Plan document that will be provided by the Facility Booking Coordinator, Carey Kozak at least 48 hours prior to the rental. (2 business days)

Organized sports leagues must submit their safety plan prior to being approved to practise or play the sport in the facility. The safety plan shall:

- Describe how the following will occur:
 - screening
 - physical distancing
 - masks or face coverings
 - cleaning and disinfecting of surfaces and objects
 - the wearing of personal protective equipment
 - preventing and controlling crowding
- Describe how the league will:
 - prevent gatherings and crowds
 - ensure that participants/spectators do not line up or congregate unless they are maintaining physical distance of at least two metres from other groups of persons

- ensure that participants/spectators do not line up inside the indoor portions of the arena unless they are:
 - maintaining a physical distance of at least two metres from other groups of persons; and
 - wearing a mask or face covering in a manner that covers their mouth, nose and chin, unless they are entitled to any of the exceptions set out in the regulations.
- mitigate the risk of any interactive activities, exhibits or games that may be included

General Information

1. All safety plans must be submitted to the Facility Booking Coordinator, Carey Kozak at least 48 hours to the rental. (2 business days) Rentals will not be approved until the safety plan has been approved.
2. All participants are required to follow all safety measures in place while using the facility.
3. Active screening will be completed by trained City staff upon entering the facility.
4. Masks must be worn at all times indoors, except when actively participating in physical activity. This includes during use of washroom and dressing room facilities.
5. 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.
6. The user group designate must provide an attendance roster with names of all user group participants including players, coaches, officials that were in the facility during the rental time.
7. Patrons will be permitted into the facility 20 minutes prior to the rental and exit must take place promptly within 15 minutes following the rental time.
8. Equipment bags are **NOT** permitted into the arena with the exception of goalie equipment and must be kept in the designated area. Small bags for skates and gloves will only be allowed.
9. Dressing rooms will be available, but players still must come partially dressed. Please review the DRESSING ROOM PROTOCOL section carefully.
10. Please bring your own filled water bottle to the session with your name on it. Water fountains will not be available.

Patron Screening:

Active screening is required for all sport participants and spectators in order to comply with requirements to collect contact tracing information for all individuals that enter the facility.

Active Screening Measures

All individuals will 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. 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.

Please access the online screening tool at www.thunderbay.ca/rfst

Anyone who does not show proof of completed online screening will be screened at the entrance by facility staff.

Please arrive 20 minutes prior to start time to allow for screening to be completed, be patient and practice social distancing while waiting to enter.

The entrance may be locked once screening is complete and the rental starts. Please arrive on time.

Dressing Room Protocol

- **Physical distancing is required in dressing rooms.** This significantly limits dressing room capacities. Maximum room capacity will be posted on each dressing room and must be followed at all times.
- All individuals are counted in dressing room capacity, i.e. players, parents/guardians providing assistance or supervision, coaches.
- Two dressing rooms will be provided for team practices. Rotating individuals through the rooms will be required to maintain capacity limits in the case of larger groups and teams.
- In the event that back to back games are scheduled, a combination of dressing rooms and bleachers/chairs will be used.
- Players must come partially dressed. No hockey bags will be permitted other than goalie bags or coaching equipment. Showers are not available.
- Players and coaching staff will be permitted into the facility 20 minutes prior to the rental time and must exit within 15 minutes of the end of the rental.
- Masks are required to be worn in dressing rooms.
- **It is the responsibility of the user group to monitor distancing and room capacities at all times.**

Health and Safety Protocol

- Stay home if you are sick
- Follow the health and safety information posted throughout the facility
- All individuals will be screened upon entry to the facility in accordance with current Public Health guidelines
- 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 in enclosed spaces when not actively participating in physical activities, i.e. to enter facility, or access washrooms and dressing rooms.
- Maintain physical distancing of 2 metres in the facility at all times except on ice and players benches
- Hand sanitizing is required upon entering the facility
- Players/Coaches/Participants must abstain from spitting in any area of the arena
- Providing PPE for participants and group staff, volunteers and officials 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

- Showers are unavailable at this time
- Premises must be vacated within 15 minutes of the rental time to allow cleaning for the next user group

Personal Items, Storage & Equipment

- Hockey bags are not permitted except for goalies with their equipment. Each player will put skates on in the designated dressing room or bleachers/chair area
- Participants are asked to come dressed for their activity

Drop off and Pick Up

- Arrive no earlier than 20 minutes before your rental time
- Enter the facility at the designated entrance only
- No gatherings are permitted outside facility, in parking lot, lobby or hallways
- Physical distancing must be practiced while waiting to enter the facility
- Exit at designated doors within 15 minutes of the rental