



# COVID 19 Eddie Mountain Memorial Arena GUIDELINES FOR USE Phase 2 operations

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## Eddie Mountain Memorial Arena

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Please know that we are committed to providing you with a safe environment that aligns with Worksafe BC, BC Hockey & Skate Canada guidelines to ensure that the risk of exposure to the virus that causes COVID-19 is minimized at all times. We know that this situation is constantly evolving and as such we are actively monitoring our facility guidelines to ensure a continued focus on the health & safety of our patrons and users.

Users are encouraged to bring their own hand sanitizer and a facemask if social distancing is not possible.

To ensure the health and safety of everyone at the Eddie Mountain Memorial Arena we have increased cleaning procedures. Before and after each ice rental, we will be disinfecting all high touch points including door handles, chairs, panic bars, sinks, toilets, etc., using recommended cleaning agents to disinfect.

**Please note that full sanitization of our arena space will occur periodically so please use the facility at your own risk.**

Due to the extra time allotted for users to exit the facility and enhanced cleaning procedures; we will be operating with a **45-minute window between ice times**. Once you have finished your ice time, your group will have 10 minutes to exit the facility.

**There will be no spectators allowed in the facility during our Phase 2 operations.** Parents are allowed for minor hockey/figure skating practices (2-3 parents total) with no siblings permitted.

The maximum amount of on-ice users will be no more than 25 skaters (includes 2 goalies) and 3 coaching staff members.

There will be no food/beverage other than one personal water bottle permitted inside the facility. Water fountains will not be available for use so please bring your own bottle filled and ready to go.

Main lobby washrooms will be available along with soap & water for users to wash their hands.

**Absolutely NO SPITTING anywhere in the facility or on the ice.**

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**All users of the Eddie Mountain Memorial Arena must first obtain a Use of Space Permit. In addition, each user group must provide the Regional District with their COVID "Return to Play" Safety Plan that follows the posted Phase 2 guidelines for the Eddie Mountain Memorial Arena.**

To obtain an application form please contact:  
Colin Peet, Recreation Supervisor at: [cpeet@rdek.bc.ca](mailto:cpeet@rdek.bc.ca)

OR

Download an application form at:  
<https://www.rdek.bc.ca/departments/environmentalservices/parksandrec/emma/>

Payments for use of space can be made by calling in with a credit card or by mailing a cheque to the Columbia Valley Office.

**Note: All cancellations during Phase 2 Operations will be refundable to ensure that no one is entering the facility if they are feeling unwell.**



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## **Entering the Facility (Main Lobby Entrance)**

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During our Phase 2 restart plan, we will only be utilizing the main lobby of the facility for arena users. When you arrive at the arena, please line up single file using the social distance markers we have provided.

Each user group will have a safety volunteer at the front door to help supervise the group as they enter the facility while ensuring that no other unauthorized users enter the facility. The safety volunteer will ensure they have a full contact list for everyone entering the facility for contact tracing for their particular ice time.

Dressing rooms will not be available for use at this time. The main lobby doors will be unlocked 10 minutes prior to your ice time so that you may find a sanitized seat in the lobby to tie your skates. Participants will come to the arena fully dressed and will only be permitted to tie their skates prior to entering the ice surface. Marked seating will be provided in the lobby for users. Skate guards/street shoes will be left at your designated seat as participants take the ice.

## **Entering the Ice Surface**

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Users will enter/exit the ice surface using the Dressing Room #6 ice entrance. Users will line up single file as you enter onto the ice surface.

For users that begin to feel ill or are showing symptoms of COVID-19 while inside the facility, they will immediately exit the ice surface and enter the isolation room. The isolation room is located in the First Aid room by the zamboni gate. Group leader will then inform the arena operator on duty of the situation. They will then call a family member to come to the facility to remove the player immediately.

## **On-Ice Procedures**

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All users should have a practice plan to ensure proper social distancing during on ice drills, shinny and practices.

Participants and Coaching staff must keep their gloves and helmets on at all times while on the ice. Coaching staff will pick up the pucks and cones at the end of practice while ensuring no one is using their bare hands.

Markers will be placed along the glass in the 4 corners to assist in social distancing measures.

Users will utilize all open spaces on the ice surface and benches for personal water bottle stations.

Do not share any equipment while inside the facility.

## **Exiting the Ice Surface & Facility**

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At the end of your session, all users must exit the ice single file and on time. Users will ensure they schedule enough time to pick up pucks, cones, etc., before exiting the ice.

Users will return to their designated seat in the lobby where they will only remove their skates and helmets.

Once each user has removed their skates, they must exit the facility while ensuring social distancing between users.

Each user group will be permitted 10 minutes to exit the facility so the operators can begin sanitizing the high touch points before the next group enters the facility.

The exit provided will be nearest the vending machine on the north side of the arena.



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## What comes next...

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We will be reviewing our Phase 2 operations as we operate and will be moving into Phase 3 operations as provincial guidelines dictate. We will be closely following the recommendations from our public and local health authorities as well as taking feedback from our local groups, staff, and users.

Users must continue to keep their circles small, wash their hands regularly, wear a mask if social distancing is not possible, and most importantly **stay home if not feeling well!**

Users will be provided with Phase 3 operations as soon as they become available. Phase 3 operations will include the usage of dressing rooms, a limited amount of spectators, contact drills, scheduled games, and some shared equipment.

We want to thank all of you for your continued support of the Eddie Mountain Memorial Arena and we can't wait to see you soon!

Thank you,

Eddie Mountain Memorial Arena