
NELSON MINOR HOCKEY ASSOCIATION

COVID-19 PROTOCOLS

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PLAYERS and TEAM PERSONNEL

- **20 minutes prior to ice time (games/practices)** players/team personnel can enter using:
 - NDCC – upper Festival Doors
 - Civic Arena – doors facing the parking lot – look for the Door Attendant
- All adult team personnel (coaches, manager, safety people) must show their ID and vaccine passports – which will be scanned using the **BC Vaccine Card Verifier** app – before being allowed to enter.
- Masks are mandatory at all times except when on the ice and player bench.
- Teams are to go straight to, and stay in, dressing rooms until they are ready to go onto the ice – **NO CONGREGATING ALLOWED** in hallways or common spaces.
- Water bottles can be filled either in the washrooms or at the filling stations – fountains are not available.
- Players/team personnel must exit the arenas **within 20 minutes of ice time end** using:
 - NDCC – lower Arena Doors
 - Civic Arena – same doors used to enter

SPECTATORS

- **5 minutes prior to ice time (games/practices)** spectators can enter using:
 - NDCC - upper Festival Doors
 - Civic Arena – doors facing the parking lot– look for the Door Attendant
- All spectators ages 12 and older must show their vaccine passports – which will be scanned using the **BC Vaccine Card Verifier** app – before being allowed to enter. ID is also required for those ages 19 and up.
- Masks are mandatory at all times in both arenas unless eating or drinking.
- Please remain seated as much as possible, **NO CONGREGATING ALLOWED**.
- Spectators must exit the arenas **within 5 minutes of ice time end** using:
 - NDCC – lower Arena Doors
 - Civic Arena – same doors used to enter

We will have Door Attendants at all entrances checking for vaccine passports/directing groups. PLEASE DO NOT ENTER either rink without an attendant seeing you. And please remember to be patient and kind to our volunteers.

Maximum 50% capacity in our rinks allowed: NDCC = 574 total / Civic Arena = 400 total

VACCINE PASSPORT REQUIREMENTS

- ALL **PLAYERS** ages 21 and under can enter **without** vaccine passport. Players must be listed on a Hockey Canada team roster for the 2021/2022 season.
- ALL TEAM PERSONNEL ages 19+ must show vaccine passport and ID.
- ALL SPECTATORS ages 19+ must show vaccine passport and ID.
- ALL SPECTATORS ages 12-18 must show vaccine passport.
- ALL SPECTATORS ages 11 and under can enter without vaccine passport.

There are no exceptions to these requirements.

DOOR ATTENDANT role

- Be there 25 minutes before ice time to meet the Arena Attendant at the doors.
- **CHECK VACCINE PASSPORTS (see below) as per requirements.**
- Once everyone is in, close the door so that it remains locked during the ice time.
- You can let spectators come and go during the ice time.
- Stay 20 minutes after program end to ensure that everyone from the group has exited the arena.

HOW TO CHECK VACCINE PASSPORTS

- Vaccine passports must be scanned by the **BC VACCINE CARD VERIFIER APP**

<https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/covid19/vaccine/proof/businesses#app>

- Please read the instructions at the link above and be prepared to know how to use the app.
- After scanning the vaccine passport, compare the name on the passport to the name on the adult's ID to make sure they match.

If any player, volunteer or spectator is feeling unwell, or has been in contact with someone that is sick or is awaiting Covid test results, they are not to attend any NMHA programming. Any concerns in this regard can be sent directly to kathyconne@gmail.com in full confidentiality.