

Dawson Creek Minor Hockey
Return to Hockey Covid-19 Safety Plan (Short Form)
“Phase 3” Plan for Memorial Arena

***Note: Policies could change at any time. This document may be resented with updates to reflect the current phase. ***

The protocols outlined in this document must be strictly adhered to. Anyone not following these protocols is putting the associations return to play and our hockey season at risk. This will not be tolerated.

Per Via Sport, we are still in the “Transition Measures” Phase 3 as highlighted by **the full Return to Hockey Plan available on the DCMHA website.** This document is a summary of the most important features of this plan.

Parents must download, sign, and **complete the Return to Hockey Waiver (Appendix D)** as part of the registration process.

Parents are asked to **review the protocols and restrictions with their child** prior to the beginning of the return to play.

Restrictions in place:

- Participants may only engage in physical play, contact drills, or game play with their association team or within their assigned cohort, which may only consist of four teams.
- Players/Team that leave their Cohort must wait 14 days to re-enter their Cohort.
- Follow all Via-Sports recommendations to Cohorts.
- Coaches are not considered part of the Cohort. Coaches are to keep their Social Distance. In situations where coaches/volunteers can not social distance, masks are to be worn (Dressing room, hallways, benches)
- DCMHA will follow all Facility Protocols when it comes to Dressing rooms, Benches and hallways and Spectators.

Protocols for entering facility:

- Participants are asked to use personal hand sanitizers prior to entering the facility. These will also be made available in the facility.
- Anyone entering the facility must review a symptoms checklist upon entering. Anyone exhibiting Covid 19 symptoms shall not attend and will need to report to the coach or communications officer.
- There are to be **no spectators** unless they are deemed essential to the on-ice activities.

- Children in U9 and under are allowed to have 1 parent per child. This is in case the child needs help and cannot help themselves because of their age. (ie. Washroom)
- Max 65 for an event. This includes Players, coaches and anyone else deemed essential to the on- ice activities.

Equipment Protocols:

- There will be no sharing of equipment or personal items.
- All participants must have their own water bottles. Water bottles must not be shared. All water bottled must be clearly marked.
- Training equipment (such as pylons) must only be handled by coaching staff. These will be sanitized daily.

Facility Management:

- Parents, coaches, and participants must not congregate in the parking lots, and must maintain physical distancing any time there are on facility property. Anyone not in compliance with this will be asked to remain in their cars or leave and come back to pick up their child.

Facility and Scheduling Protocols:

- All athletes, coaches, and volunteers are expected to arrive not more than 15 minutes prior to scheduled ice time.
- Late arrivals will not be permitted access and will miss the ice time.
- No one will be admitted to the rink until permitted by staff or coaches.
- Follow all staff and coach directions and maintain physical distancing at all times.
- Arrive and enter the building fully dressed except for skates, helmets, and gloves
- Disinfect equipment before and after use.
- A mask must be worn when physical distancing cannot be avoided (ex: the host buckling a helmet).
- Participants must have water bottles filled prior to arriving.
- A change room will be assigned to each group that is to be used only for washroom use (not for changing etc.).
- Spitting is strictly prohibited.
- There will be no use of the lobby except to enter or exit.
- If Spectators are permitted, they must follow physical distancing in the stands. Spectators are not allowed in hallways with participants.