

## Claresholm Arena-REP: Update October 8, 2021

AHS has confirmed that the approach we have adopted is one that the majority of our neighboring recreation facilities are using. We are still open to change and collaborating with other communities and we appreciate your patience, understanding and cooperation as we adapt.

The changes do impact two areas, youth and adult differently. A user group is defined as the “operator” since they are the individuals organizing the indoor classes, training, and/or competitions. A user group (operator) must declare if the program they are running is REP or not to the arena staff when booking for classes, training, and/or competitions.

### Youth (under 18) Sport, Fitness, Recreation and Performance Activities.

**Do Not** have to have to implement the REP to have indoor classes, training, and competitions. If a program is not an REP program:

- Participants are required to screen for symptoms.
- Youth participants are required to maintain 2-meter distancing and wear a mask unless engaged in physical activity.
  - ❖ For example, a coach can coach but must wear a mask and maintain 2 meters distance.
- Those participating as a coach, or volunteer for programs have a responsibility to follow the guidance documents and Chief Medical of Health (CMOH) orders.
- If an REP is not in place participants are not required to show proof of vaccination, a negative test, or a medical exemption letter.
- Children under the age of 18 are not required to show proof of vaccination, a negative test, or a medical exemption letter unless an REP is in place.
  - ❖ If and REP is in place then anyone 12 and over is required to show proof of vaccination, a negative test, or a medical exemption letter unless they are under the age of 18 and participating in a physical activity.

### Adult (over 18) Sport, Fitness, Recreation and Performance Activities.

- If it is a non-REP program it is permitted indoors if it is a one-on-one training or a solo activity.
  - ❖ 3 meters of physical distancing is required.
- To have indoor classes, training, and competitions an REP **MUST** be implemented.
- **MUST** show proof of vaccination, a negative test, or a medical exemption letter for REP programs complete with valid personal identification.
- **Do not** have to wear a mask while engaged in a physical activity.

### Spectators

Anyone inside the arena (except as noted above or providing a medical exemption letter) must:

- Wear a mask or face-covering (CMOH order).
- There is **NO** capacity or operating restrictions for programs that are REP.

If the program is not REP, capacity in the building is limited to 1/3. Spectators must maintain 2-meter physical distancing, unless the spectators are with a single household or the spectator is an individual who lives alone then they may have 2 close contacts.

### Screening

A user group (operator) must have a plan in place and have volunteers/staff trained for how they will adhere to the requirements and the screening process for their participants and spectators.

Screening consists of:

- Screening must be done at the point of entry.
- Proof of valid personal identification for those 18 years or older.
- Proof of vaccination, one dose (prior to October 25th) or full vaccination after October 25th.  
**OR**
- Proof of a privately paid negative PCR or rapid test that has to be within 72 hours.  
**OR**
- A medical exemption letter.

### Due Diligence

Since the recreation facility (owned by the Town of Claresholm) is allowing their users to apply REP or not, there is a joint responsibility between the recreation facility and user group to ensure that the REP protocols are being followed. This would mean that the user group has to have a plan in place in how they will execute the REP and the recreation facility staff must be satisfied with the user group’s REP protocols. In addition, I want to reiterate a mix of REP and non-REP activities cannot happen at the same time. It is one activity at a time for the entire facility unless there are areas in the recreation facility that is separated meaning it has its own entrances, own washrooms and common areas.

These are challenging and stressful times, thank you for your cooperation as we continue to adjust and adapt. If anyone has any questions or concerns, please reach out to us. We want to work with you to have a successful year.

