

## COVID 19 - Ice Arena Reopening Suggestions

***NOTE: Arenas must abide by any local, state, and federal regulations and advisories***

### General Opening Suggestions:

- Conduct thermal body temperature checks for all staff and patrons at entrances.
  - Points of entry will be limited to allow staff to conduct non-contact body temperature checks with infrared thermometer
  - Anyone displaying a temperature over 100.0°F should not be allowed entry to the arena and should be directed towards appropriate medical care
- Maintain rigorous sanitizing program throughout building focusing on frequently touched surfaces on a regular schedule. (see [CDC Guidelines for Facility Cleaning](#))
- Masks must be worn based on current COVID 19 status
- Post signage advising of COVID 19 exposure and steps arena is taking (physical distancing requirements, masks usage, etc.) in facility and on web site.
- Develop water management program to address stagnant water from closure (see [CDC Guidelines for Building Water Systems](#))
- Spectators should be limited or prohibited in building (e.g. use Live Barn)
- Arcades should be closed, games turned off, and restricted for entry (attractive nuisance with knobs and buttons with small children)
- Locker rooms and showers should be secured & monitored

### Public Skates

- Limit the number of participants for public skates based on local COVID 19 regulations for gatherings in your area
- Maintaining 6' buffer
  - Mark parking lot for lines that may form at entrances
  - Mark floor at skate rental and cashier (if different)
  - Paint marks on ice if necessary
- Provide separate dasher door entrances and exits from rink (if possible)
- Skate monitors should be equipped with mask, face shield, non-latex gloves, in addition to normal supplies and uniform.
- Skate monitors should maintain 6' physical distance to skaters where possible but be able to perform essential services in close proximity if needed (e.g. First aid response).

### Other skating activities

- If possible, players should suit up at home with skates tied in arena
- Set up gear bag area on bleachers/floor (6' apart and numbered)
- Patrons wait outside until called for their gear bag location
- Players enter/exit rink at 6' intervals

## **Skills Training**

- Divide rink to allow 1 door in boards per training section where possible
- Recommend a generous instructor to student ratio with 6' distance maintained at all times including during instruction, as well as entering, and exiting the rink.

## **Fitness Center**

- Space all equipment 6 feet apart
  - Cardio equipment should be spaced at 6-foot intervals or have adjacent equipment turned off to maintain 6-foot buffer.
- All equipment should be sanitized after each use
- Post one-way aisles between equipment and notify patrons of policy
- Towels, if provided, should be given to patron individually instead of placed on racks/shelves

## **Snack bar/Restaurant**

- Space tables 6' apart (edge to edge)
- Plated food should be served on trays and ask patron to remove the plates from tray
- Served food should be covered until delivered to customer
- Provide all food with individualized condiments
- Provide disposable silverware and napkins
- Provide sanitation station between front of house (cashier, dining area, etc.) and back of house (food preparation, storage, etc.) and require use when passing between the 2

## **Employee Expectations**

- Hand washing or hand sanitizing by all employees every 60 minutes or after using the restroom, assisting a fallen skater, sneezing, coughing, blowing the nose, performing cleaning, smoking, eating, drinking, entering and leaving the rink(s), and before or after starting a shift.
- Employees understand COVID 19 exposure and CDC recommendations for personal protective equipment (e.g. gloves for cash handling) and sanitizing work area.
- Employees disclose any potential COVID 19 exposure and symptoms to management and self-quarantine as needed. Employees who begin to feel ill while at work will leave immediately and contact management
- Employee pre-shift meetings should be conducted to identify any updates to arena guidelines and challenges from previous shifts
- Shared tools and equipment should be sanitized before and after each use

Please note that the situation remains fluid with the COVID 19 pandemic and any recommendations and suggestions are as up to date at the time of this document creation. You should follow all updates provided by the CDC, state and local authorities.