

Facility Protocols

The NMHA's on-ice programming will be conducted at Norfolk County municipal arenas. Each of these arenas are subject to the same safety protocols.

Norfolk County's arena protocols were updated for Ontario's Emergency Order and "A Framework for Reopening our Province" compliance for all summer ice activities. These protocols will be extended for Fall 2020 ice rentals and include the following:

- 1) Upon arrival at the arena facilities it is the responsibility of the NMHA to ensure a Session Participation Tracking sheet is completed. All coaches, instructors and participants are required to be named.
- 2) Also upon arrival at the arena facilities it is the responsibility of the NMHA to ensure all participants/coaches/instructors complete a Health Screening prior to each participation in on-ice activity.
- 3) Upon entry to the facility and at all times while at the facility, unless engaged in approved activity which has been modified to avoid physical contact between players, all individuals are to maintain physical distancing.
- 4) Masks must be worn inside the building, pursuant to Norfolk County By-Law 2020-66. Further to this bylaw, masks may be temporarily removed while engaging in athletic activity.
- 5) Players and spectators will be directed to their respective areas by facility signs and floor arrows.
- 6) Players are to enter the facility already dressed in their equipment. Chairs will be made available to all participants for final preparation for on-ice activity (i.e. put on skates or remove guards, put on helmet, etc). The chairs will be placed in common areas and will be in marked physically-distanced sections.
- 7) Once ready for on-ice activity participants/parents will re-locate their masks/skate guards etc to a separate chair area located at a separate door of the ice surface, where they will exit at the end of their on-ice activity.
- 8) Players may not spit, blow their nose freely, or release any bodily fluid.
- 9) Upon completion of on-ice activity all participants and spectators will exit the facility through secondary doors, as marked.
- 10) One spectator is allowed per participant under the age of 16. Spectators must stay in a marked section of the stands. These spectators sections will be changed and cleaned with each ice rental. At no time can the number of people in the facility exceed 50.
- 11) Norfolk County on-ice participant limits will allow for the maximum number of participants per the Ontario Hockey Federation's Return to Hockey Framework. All NMHA activity must respect the maximum OHF participant guidelines per the prevailing Return to Hockey Stage.
- 12) Dressing rooms will not be available.
- 13) A washroom will available for use at each facility on an emergency-use basis only.