Shelburne Curling Club COVID-19 Return to Play Policy

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Administration

- All curling club users must sign a Declaration of Compliance plus a Waiver (signed by adults) or Assumption of Risk Form (signed by adults on behalf of minors) obtained via Curl Canada
- Club will publish and post current occupancy load (with the effective date) assigned by Wellington-Dufferin-Guelph Public Health

Club Set-Up

- Entrance to club is restricted to members only for recreation purposes
- Hand sanitizer stations located at each entrance/exit, at both ends of curling sheet, at the bar, and on each table in the lounge
- Where possible, doors propped open to reduce contact
- Markings on floor & ice to direct flow and to mark location of players
 - Players are permitted to bring their own drinking bottles that must be spaced out (markers will be on the backboard shelf to indicate where drinking bottles are to be set)
- Water coolers will be removed from the lounge & ice level
- All facial tissues will be removed from the curling club. Members are permitted to bring their own facial
 tissues. After use of a facial tissue, the user must sanitize their hands. Used tissues are to be disposed
 of in lined garbage pails or kept by member in a sealed plastic bag for later disposal.
- 1 person permitted in each bathroom at a time
- Ice making equipment:
 - Only specified persons are permitted to touch ice making equipment
 - o Each piece of equipment must be sanitized after use
- Masks are required in all areas of the curling club with the exception of the ice surface and while consuming beverages/food in the lounge

COVID Tracking and Contact Tracing

- Members are strongly encouraged to download and run Canada's COVID Alert app if feasible
- Members entering the building will be required to use the CurlON Contact Tracing app to collect contact information for public health tracing purposes. Instructions and assistance for using the app will be provided. A cell phone is helpful but not required.

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League Logistics

- Only one draw per night with staggered start times and alternating start positions
 - Example: 2 games start at 6:45pm on Sheets A & C at far ends; 2 games start at 7:15pm on Sheets B & D at ends closest to windows
- Based on league registration if additional games are required, they will be scheduled on another night
 - Example: Monday league games carried over to Tuesday night, Wednesday league games carried over to Thursday night
- League convenors will pre-determine teams with the hammer for each week to avoid contact with coins, containers, dice, etc.
 - Suggested via online coin flipper
 - Suggest league convenors specify team with hammer clearly on the schedule
 - Alternatively, vice-skips can play rock, paper, scissors to determine hammer
- All players must be clearly informed that they are not permitted in the curling club if they are experiencing any COVID-19 symptoms

Pre-Game

- Players may begin entering the curling club no more than 20 minutes prior game start time
- There will be a capacity posted as to the number of people permitted in the foyer to allow for physical distancing. When the foyer is at capacity, players will wait outside until there is space to enter.
- Players will arrive dressed for the game with the exception of shoes.
- Players may put their curling shoes on in the foyer, in the lounge, in the lower level (some seating will be
 provided where spacing allows), or in change rooms while observing posted distance markers and
 change room capacities
- Once shoes have been changed, players will proceed directly to the ice while maintaining social distancing
- Players may practice with their designated rocks prior to game start if time permits

Personal Curling Equipment

- Members are strongly encouraged to acquire their own equipment such as curling shoes or grippers/sliders, brooms, delivery sticks, and stabilizers
- Club grippers, club brooms, and club stabilizers can be signed out by members for the season and are their responsibility to keep for personal use and return at season end
- Club step-on sliders will not be available
- Club delivery sticks will remain available and will be sanitized before and after each use

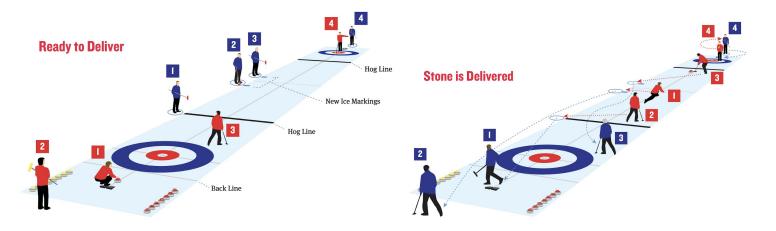
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During the Game

- The use of masks is optional, although strongly encouraged, while on the ice surface
- Hand shaking is not permitted. Suggest tapping brooms and/or using verbal greeting
- Players stay on the same side of the sheet. For example, if you are playing on sheet A, always walk or position yourself on the sideline to sheet B. This will keep players 10 feet apart.
- There will be two small markings, located four feet from each side of centre ice (roughly 69 feet from the end boards).
 - Non-Delivering Team: The two sweepers of the non-delivering team should be positioned on these markings while the other team is throwing. The player of the non-delivering team whose turn it is next to deliver should be positioned at hogline on the same side as the two sweepers.
 The Skip (or Vice-Skip) will stand on the backboards but no closer than the hack.
 - Delivering Team: The Skip has control of the house. The player whose turn it is to deliver is in the hack. The non-sweeping player is on the backboards. The sweeping player is at the T-Line. Once the stone has been released, the player who delivered the stone proceeds down the centre line of the ice until the halfway point to the marking or to the hog line if it is their turn next. After the stone comes to rest, the sweeper proceeds to the halfway markings. The non-sweeper travels to the halfway mark or the hog line depending on their turn to deliver or not.

Stones

- o Players select their two stones. No interchanging of stones during a game.
- o Players should not touch any stones other than their own.
- Let the player delivering the next stone retrieve their own stone.
- Stones are lined up in single file in the corners (per markings on the ice.)
- Measuring: Vice-skips will be the only players using the measuring stick. Remove gloves, sanitize hands, conduct measure, return measure device to its normal location, sanitize hands.
- One player per sheet will be the designated scorekeeper. Scorekeeper will use provided hand sanitizer immediately before posting each score
- One sweeper only on all delivered stones. No relaying (second sweeper taking over halfway down the sheet). The person in charge of the house is not allowed to sweep under any circumstance.
- The skip of the non-delivering must remain in the hack area until all stones come to rest. They are not allowed to sweep the opposition stone behind the tee-line.
- The skip or vice skip (not both) of non-delivering team must stand at the hack until the other team is finished playing and has relinquished control of the house.
- The skip or vice skip (both teams) may not sweep any stones (both colours) set in motion by the delivering team.
- At the end of the game, 1 representative from each team will sanitize their team's rock handles using disinfectant wipes provided by the club
- Players will exit the ice through the East door at ice level and will proceed upstairs to the lounge



Post-Game

- Upon entering the lounge, each player will select a chair at one of the tables to sit at for the duration of their stay
- Tables and chairs will be spaced as per public health guidelines
- Once seated, players may only stand up and move around to go to the bar, the washroom, or to exit, and are further reminded that masks must be worn unless consuming beverages/food
- There will be a schedule of volunteer bartenders such that 1 volunteer bartends for an entire night. This
 will avoid several members moving in and out of the bar and will reduce the amount of contact in the bar
 and kitchen areas
- Entrance to kitchen will be restricted to bartenders and cleaners only
- Bar serving window will be protected by plexiglass with access for collecting payment and serving beverages
- Individuals will line up for and purchase their own drinks only
- To avoid congestion at the bar, no more than 2 people waiting to order drinks at a time (marked on floor)
- Tap debit will be available and is the preferred method of payment at the bar to minimize handling of payment terminal. Non-TAP debit and cash will be accepted with additional steps for sanitization.
- Bartender will hand all bottles to the customer where the customer will remove bottle cap and will put it into a labeled bin.
- Ice and mix will be located behind plexiglass. Only the bartender is able to add mix and ice to drinks before giving to the customer.
- There will be no sharing of chip bags, peanuts, etc. at tables. Members may purchase individually packaged food.
- Use plastic cups which will be placed in the recycling bin by the consumer
- Maximum time allowed in the lounge subject to Provincial bar closing times
- Each player will place their empty beer bottle in a box clearly marked "empties" that is accessible near the entrance door of the kitchen
- A representative from each table will sanitize their table and all chairs at the table using disinfectant wipes and/or spray provided by the club
- The volunteer bartender will sanitize all counter tops (bar & kitchen), door knobs/handles, and any other predetermined high touch surfaces
- Bartender will take empties down stairs to a predetermined "quarantine zone" to "cool off" for 24 hours before combining empty cases.