

## **Marpole Curling “Return To Play” Guide (2021-2022 Season)**

The Marpole Curling Club staff, volunteers and Board are pleased to welcome you all back to curling at our facility after last year’s “non-season”. We have worked hard to bring the facility back to full form while complying with all regulations to operate safely and prevent transmission of COVID-19. Please take note of the details below to help inform you on what our season will look like. Please remember that as Public Health Orders and guidelines change, we will adapt.

### **Entering the Facility**

#### Proof of Vaccination

As per the Announcement of Wed. August 24, 2021, everyone entering the building must show or have shown valid proof of vaccination, in accordance with the Provincial plans. There are no exceptions to curlers, visitors or staff with this requirement and we will enforce, as needed. We appreciate your patience as the Province provides additional details. We support this use of vaccines and we believe adhering to this requirement will offer a safer environment work, play or visit our facility.

#### Masks

As per the Public Health Office Temporary Order of August 26, 2021, everyone born in 2009 or earlier (12 and up) MUST wear a mask at all times in the facility, except when seated at a table in the lounge or while on the ice, curling. If the order is rescinded in the future, we will communicate this, however, mask usage is highly recommended, whenever possible.

#### Health Declaration

Please take note of all signs when entering the building and remember that you must not enter the building if you are sick, have been asked to self-isolate or are waiting for a COVID-19 test result. Please perform a health assessment each time you enter the building and abide by the Health Declaration you signed at Registration or at the front door of the building upon entering (if applicable).

#### Locker Rooms

Locker rooms will be open for use however observe the posted occupancy limits at all times. Limit time in the locker room for your protection and to allow others access. Consider arriving “ready to play”.

#### Lobby Use

Our lobby will not have restrictions on use however, it is relatively small so consider arriving close to your start time to limit standing time. Please avoid loitering in the lobby, for your protection.

#### Curling Play

We are pleased to announce that regular, “pre-covid-19” rules of play are currently in force. No specific rules limiting sweeping or number of sweepers, position during game play, number of players on a team. This may change if ordered by the Public Health Officials in the future. Alterations to number of sweepers you choose, etc. if your team wishes (provided within league rules) Physical distancing guides will be in place on the ice if you choose to use them.

- Broom taps or elbow bumps pre and post game are still recommended over handshakes.
- Hand Sanitizer will be available at home end of each sheet
- Brooms and delivery aids will be available at \$2 per use (payment in cash box under broom rack)
- Refillable Water station is available in the ice shed - please bring your own water bottle.

### Sparing

Sparing in other leagues is permitted as well as non-club member spares. However, all non-member spares must register online (<https://marpole.curling.io/en/products>) to sign our **waiver/declaration** prior to playing.

Please remember: At all times, please maintain good hand hygiene. There are sanitizing stations available throughout the club. Sneeze into your elbow, etc. Wear a mask if you leave your ice sheet for any reason. Only touch your own stones with your hands; for all others move them with your foot or broom.

### Lounge and Upstairs Rooms

Please adhere to all posted occupancy limits - washrooms, lounge, Magnusson room and games room.

There are no maximum seating requirements for tables however, once seated, you must not switch tables or visit other tables. It is okay for the teams that have just played to be seated at the same table, however, there is sufficient seating in most cases, if separate tables are desirable. Please limit long stays in the lounge, for your protection, to allow others access and provide time for appropriate cleaning.

The bar will remain a self-serve style bar. Please observe physical distancing whenever possible. Consider one team member ordering/purchasing drinks for the team on a rotation basis to minimize the number of people in line at any one time. Consider cashless transactions whenever possible.

We will use signage to indicate whether a table is ready for use or not. Tables will have a laminated sign, flipped up "green" side up table is clean, flipped up "red" side up table needs to be cleaned.

### Games area

Please sanitize hands prior to and after using equipment in the games area and wear a mask at all times.

### Pro Shop

Pro-shop is open for use. Please observe occupancy limits and a mask will be required when entering the office.

### Practice Ice

Practice ice is limited to members only. Members will be required to reserve in advance using a new online program. There will no longer be drop-in members practice ice.

Practice ice limited to 60 min per session, max 4 people/sheet (new info to follow in newsletter).

### Spectators

We love having fans. For the safety of staff and members, until the end of September, we ask that only members enter the club to spectate. We will re-evaluate at the end of the month.

### Refunds

As with common practice in previous seasons, no refunds will be offered once the curling season has begun.

If you have questions or concerns or are looking for additional guidance, please a) bring to the attention of staff, b) check for guidance on our website and/or c) Check the BC Restart plan website and/or the CurlBC website.