



# Zone 2 AA Ringette Association

## COVID-19 Safety Plan

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This COVID-19 Safety Plan is an evolving document and may be updated periodically throughout the coming months as the pandemic situation and stages of Return to Play change.

The plan outlines the safety aspects that Zone 2 AA Ringette Association (“Z2AA”), its players, bench staff, volunteers, and parents/guardians.

#### SAFETY SUPERVISOR

- The Safety Supervisor for February 2021 to March 31 ice sessions is as follows:

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#### SAFETY COORDINATORS

- Z2AA will have several Safety Coordinators, filled by the Z2AA executive board members at each ice session.
- The Safety Supervisor will support the Safety Coordinators in their roles.

#### COMMUNICATION TO MEMBERSHIP

- The Z2AA Board will prepare an email communication to be sent to all Members registered with Z2AA prior to participation in the first sanctioned activity.
- This communication will include Z2AA’s COVID-19 Safety Plan as well as other key aspects including, but not necessarily limited to:
  - Daily Self-Assessment Tracking
  - Arena Facility Rules and Protocols
  - Safety & Hygiene Considerations
  - Spectator Rules and Attendance Tracking if required
  - Several resources and links to safety information will be posted on Z2AA’s website as described in this plan.
- As changes/updates are made to Z2AA’s Safety Plan, venue protocols, and/or other pertinent safety information, the Membership will be advised by email communication regarding said changes/updates, and the website will be updated as soon as practicable.
- Prior to a participant’s first Association event, the participant and parent/guardian must read the Association’s Safety Plan as well as the protocols for each venue that the player will be entering.

## **DAILY SELF-ASSESSMENT TRACKING**

- All players and coaches will be responsible for completing a daily health self-assessment prior to engaging in any activity held by Z2AA Ringette.
- Z2AA will use the RAMP software application platform for the daily attestation and tracking.
- Group safety coordinators and the Z2 AA Board are tasked with ensuring that team members are completing daily attestation forms.

## **TRAINING FACILITIES, FACILITY PROTOCOLS & EMERGENCY ACTION PLANS**

- Under the current stage, Z2AA will utilize the following facilities:
  - Chestermere Recreation Centre
  - YMCA at Rocky Ridge (protocols under development)
- The Z2AA website will keep up-to-date information regarding the protocols for each of the arenas. In addition, any changes or updates to arena protocols will be communicated to the Membership via email.

## **ON ICE ACTIVITIES**

- Games are not allowed.
- A maximum of 10 total individuals (2 coaches and 8 skaters), including all coaches and athletes, per group only allowed on ice.
- 3- meters physical distancing must always be maintained between participants
- Coaches or trainers may enter physical distancing space for brief interactions with participants (for example, to correct form or technique)
- Athletes will always be masked, except during the training activity.
- All others will always remain masked.
- Access to change rooms will be limited, including accelerated arrival and departure, and washroom use. Except in emergencies, access is limited to group members only.

## **CHECK-IN AT RINK FACILITIES**

- Check-in will be done following the rules of the individual rinks that are used by Z2AA at the check-in location at the rink. The facility may require a check-out.
- Check-in will be done at each ice time.
- Check-in rules for each rink will be communicated to all Z2AA members, prior to Z2AA utilizing each facility, and may change from time to time. Any updates in this regard will be communicated via email to the Membership and posted on the Z2AA website.
- The time of check-in and departure may be defined in each facility's rules that Z2AA utilizes. If facility rules do not prescribe the time of check-in and departure, participants must check-in no earlier than 30 minutes before ice time and depart no later than 15 minutes after the ice time.
- Participants are encouraged to come partially dressed, if possible.

## **SPECTATORS**

- Facility rules and protocols must be complied with, and such rules and protocols of each facility will be communicated and distributed to the Membership prior to the first ice time and redistributed as rules and protocols change.

## **SANITIZING**

- As per facility rules, everyone entering the facility may be required to sanitize upon entry.
- Players and bench staff are always required to have personal hand sanitizers and are encouraged to wash/sanitize hands regularly.
- Each team will have a supply of hand sanitizer within their team safety equipment.

## **PLAYER EQUIPMENT**

- Each participant must have his or her own ringette equipment and will not share any piece of equipment with another player.
- Each participant must have his or her own, clearly marked, water bottle(s). Water bottles should be filled at home and brought to the facility, as some facility's water stations are closed.