

COVID-19 Checklist for Using Outdoor Recreational Amenities

The following checklist will help you understand the current rules and regulations for using outdoor recreational amenities (e.g. parks, tennis courts, golf courses, sports fields) and what steps should be taken to help prevent the spread of COVID-19.

Under the provincial Shutdown Order ([O. Reg. 82/20](#))

The following outdoor recreational amenities remain **open**:

- off leash dog areas
- park benches
- outdoor playgrounds
- outdoor play structures
- outdoor play equipment

The following outdoor recreational amenities must be **closed**:

- all outdoor sports facilities and multi-use fields, including: baseball diamonds, soccer fields, frisbee golf locations, tennis, platform tennis, table tennis and pickleball courts, basketball courts, BMX parks, and skate parks
- all portions of park and recreational areas containing outdoor fitness equipment
- all outdoor picnic sites and picnic tables in park and recreational areas

Activities that require individuals coming within two metres/six feet of others outside your household are not permitted.

Some of the locations where these activities take place are not managed by an organization or operator. Members of the public are responsible for following provincial and local regulations and recommendations.

Preparing for the activity

- Download the [COVID Alert app](#) so you can be notified directly if you have been in close contact with someone who was contagious with COVID-19.
- Book a reservation in advance, if required.
- Complete a [self-screening assessment](#) before leaving home. If you answer YES to any of the questions, do not participate in the activity. Stay home, self-isolate and call Telehealth at 1-866-797-0000, your health care provider or an [Assessment Centre](#) to get tested.

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- Dressing rooms, locker rooms and clubhouses are closed.** Dress/put on equipment at home as much as possible.
- Bring your own equipment. Pack only essentials (e.g. water bottle, towel, equipment) and limit personal items as much as possible.
- Wear your mask or face covering to the activity.

During the activity

- Do not use any portion of a recreational area or amenity that is required to be closed.
- If the facility / area looks crowded or has reached its capacity limit, come back another time.
- Know and adhere to all facility policies and procedures.
- Provide your name and contact information if asked by facility staff to be used for public health contact tracing purposes, if required.
- Respect current provincial gathering limits. **Enjoy the activity with those you live with.**
- Clean hands often with soap and water or 70-90% alcohol-based hand sanitizer, and avoid touching your face with unwashed hands.
- Wear a mask or face covering** at all times when indoors, and outdoors when physical distancing is difficult.
 - Follow directions from the facility if masks are required during the activity.
- Follow directions from the facility for where to keep personal items. Place items at least two metres away from others.
- Remain at least two metres from people you don't live with at all times**, including while engaging in the activity, waiting in lines, using amenities (e.g. washroom), etc.
- Avoid activities where you may come into close contact with others you don't live with (i.e. where you will be less than two metres apart).
- Do not use or touch equipment or fixed structures that cannot be cleaned and disinfected between each use.
- Do not share personal items (e.g. water bottle, clothes, equipment).
- Food service premises on site are open for take-away only.
- Music played in the facility cannot exceed the decibel level at which normal conversation is possible.

After the activity

- If your mask or face covering was removed, put it on as soon as possible after the activity.
- Clean your hands with soap and water or 70-90% alcohol-based hand sanitizer, and avoid touching your face with unwashed hands.

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- Pack up and head home immediately after the activity. Do not linger to socialize or otherwise.
- Clean and disinfect any equipment that was used (e.g. racket, club, pole).
- Launder clothes, including coats, mittens, towels, etc., in the warmest possible setting and dry completely, if required.

For more information

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