

2020-21 Season Plan

Penetang Minor Hockey Association

NEED FOR NEW APPROACH



- Covid-19 restrictions have greatly impacted our ability to run a season
- We will need to follow new guidelines from OMHA, OHF, Hockey Canada, and regional/provincial health authorities
- We will need to adopt our association to a new normal with maximum flexibility to make changes as the season evolves
- We need to stay true to our mission:

Our mission is to provide a program that allows every participant to play at their optimum level of competition while at the same time learning valuable hockey skills, life skills, and developing a positive sense of team play.

GOALS FOR 2020-21



- Return to Play: We need to get our players back on the ice exercising and being with their friends - for their mental and physical health
- Have Fun: We need to ensure players are having fun and enjoying the game of hockey
- Focus on Future Years: We need to use this year as a development year for our players and maximize their skill development opportunities to be ready for future seasons
- Create Opportunities For Growth: We need to find the right level of challenge for all our players (Rep/AE/LL) so that they continue to grow and mature as players

SCREENING & CONTACT TRACING



- Prior to all ice bookings, PMHA will provide the arena with a list of expected participants and their contact information
 - This will include players, coaches, trainers, on-ice volunteers, referees, and timekeepers
- All participants will complete an online COVID-19 screening prior to entering the facility
- Arena staff will be setup in the main lobby by the gate office to meet participants, confirm contact information and ensure that the online screening was completed
- If a parent enters the arena (as allowed by the facility), their contact information will also be collected. They will not be on the list of expected participants.
 - Parents will also complete an online COVID-19 screening prior to entering the facility
- A copy of the list of participants who were present (any parents who entered the arena)
 will be kept by town staff. This list will be made available to PMHA on request.

FACILITY & SAFETY INFORMATION



- All players will be expected to complete an Acknowledgement, Release, Indemnity and Assumption of Risk waiver prior to entering the facility
- A COVID-19 screening must be completed each time the player uses the facility.
- A list of the expected participants will be provided to the rink attendant prior to the scheduled ice session.
- Dressing rooms and showers will not be available for use.
- Participants will only be allowed in the facility 15 minutes prior to their ice time.
- Participants will enter the facility in full equipment except skates, helmets and gloves (Goalies may also enter without pads/gloves/blocker)
- Participants will complete getting dressed in the designated portion of the stands.
- Players will sit 6 feet apart and wear a mask they tie their skates and complete putting their equipment on
- Once the zamboni has completed resurfacing the ice, participants will be allowed to get up from their seat and enter the ice surface. There will be no line ups.

FACILITY & SAFETY INFORMATION



- Everyone entering the facility must follow all markings and signs posted within. These
 include arrows on the floor directing traffic flow, dedicated areas for before and after
 ice activities, and separate entrances and exits.
- Masks or face coverings must be worn by everyone entering the facility and may only be removed by participants going on the ice and only at that time.
- No parents or spectators will be allowed in the facility.
 - Exception #1: one parent of a player who is 10 years old or under may enter to tie skates in the stands. They MUST complete the screening protocol and wear a mask at all times. Once they have tied their child's skates, they must leave the facility immediately afterwards.
 - Exception #2: one parent of a player who is 6 years old or under may enter the facility and stand in the designated area of the stands to watch the entire session.
 They MUST complete the screening protocol and wear a mask at all times.
- No siblings or young children will be allowed to accompany the parent into the arena other than the participant.

FACILITY & SAFETY INFORMATION



- A maximum of 25 people will be allowed on the ice at one time.
- Washrooms will be available for use in the main hallway.
- All participants must exit the building within 15 minutes of leaving the ice surface.
- Games will be played 4 on 4 to allow additional space on the ice surface and on the benches
- There will be no faceoffs, no use of the penalty box, and no pre/post game handshakes or celebrations
- All games and practices will be non-contact no intentional body contact will be allowed

PUBLIC HEALTH SUPPORT



- All participants and spectators will sanitize their hands on their way into the building
- All participants and spectators will sign in and ensure contact information is available should it be necessary for contact tracing
- All participants will be required to wear a mask when they are not on the ice
- All spectators will be required to wear a mask at all times
- All coaches and trainers will be required to wear a mask on the bench during games
- All timekeepers will be required to wear a mask at all times
- Physical distancing will be maintained at all times off the ice by spectators, participants (including coaches, trainers and referees)
- No intentional contact will be allowed on the ice

OMHA & OHF GUIDELINES



- All policies in place this year will follow OHF and OMHA guidelines
- Prior approval from our OMHA director will be required before we return to ice
- Please see the additional resources section at the end of this document for more information

SEASON OVERVIEW



- Oct 5 Dec 23 First half of season (12 weeks)
 - Oct 5 18 Practice/Development Phase (2 weeks)
 - Oct 19 Dec 23 Practice and Game Play Phase (10 weeks)
- Dec 24 Jan 3 CHRISTMAS/NEW YEARS BREAK
- Jan 4 Mar 28 Second half of season (12 weeks)

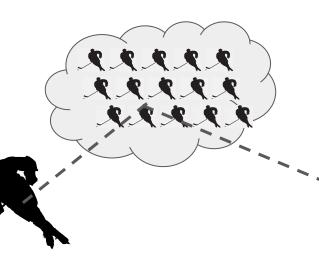


- All play will occur <u>within</u> PMHA.
- All practices and games will include only other teams and players from the <u>same</u>
 <u>Bubble</u>. Players will only be a part of 1 Bubble. Bubble will not exceed 50 players.
- Within each Bubble, players will be assigned to a Development Group based on their skill level and ability. Each group will be assigned a lead coach who will plan and run all practices and development sessions. Coaches leading each Development Group along with Bubble Convenors will make final player selections. There will be no tryouts.
- Within each Bubble, players will also be assigned to one of the Teams (separate from the Development Groups). Coaches and Bubble convenors will work together to ensure these teams are as balanced as possible, including diversity of skill levels and an equal number of players from each Development Group within the Bubble.
- 3-on-3 or 4-on-4 modified games will be played within each Bubble. All games will include on-ice officials and timekeepers.
- The number of practices and games per week will depend on the age group and tier.



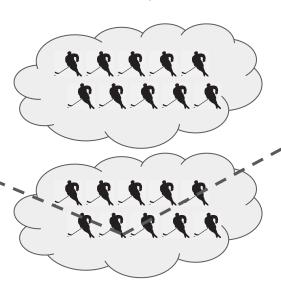
Bubble Formation

(Less than 50 players)



Development Groups

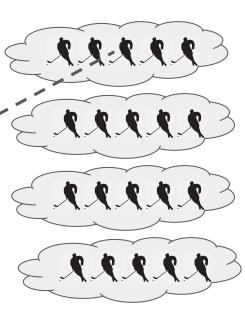
14-18 players



Practice with similarly skilled group

Game Play Teams

8-9 players (incl. 1 goalie)



Play games against teams of similar calibre



- U7 Bubble will be formed of independent skating 2014 and 2015 players.
- U9 Bubble will be formed by combining 2012 and 2013 players into a single division. There will be two development groups (one for 2012 players and one for 2013 players). 4 teams will be formed for game play purposes and games will be played 4-on-4 half ice with boards
- 2 x U12 Bubbles will be formed by combining 2009, 2010 and 2011 players. There will be a
 competitive bubble and a recreational bubble. Both bubbles will have 2 development groups
 consisting of players of like skill level. 4 teams will be formed in each bubble for game play
 purposes. Games will be played 4-on-4 full ice.
- 2 x U15 Bubbles will be formed by combining 2006, 2007 and 2008 players. There will be a competitive bubble and a recreational bubble. Both bubbles will have 2 development groups consisting of players of like skill level. 4 teams will be formed in the competitive bubble and 3 teams in the recreational bubble for game play purposes. Games will be played 4-on-4 full ice.
- U18 Bubble will be formed by combining 2003, 2004 and 2005 players. There will be 3
 development groups consisting of players of like skill level. 5 teams will be formed for game play
 purposes and games will be played 4-on-4 full ice.



Age	Convenor	Bubble	Players	Development Group	Players	Prac Hrs/wk	Games/wk	Coach
U7	Jeff Hamelin	U7 Bubble	17	Development Group A	17	2	0	Adam St. Amant
U9	Kyle Graham	U9 Bubble	32	Development Group A (U9)	17	1.5	1	Choya Fraser
			32	Development Group B (U8)	15	1.5	1	Shaun Laurin
U12	Mike De Munnik	U12 Competitive Bubble	33	Development Group A	17	1.5	1	Duane Homick
				Development Group B	16	1.5	1	TJ Bressette
		U12 Recreational Bubble	31	Development Group C	16	1	1	Trevor Reid
			31	Development Group D	15	1	1	Jon Cundy
U15	Todd Ritchie	U15 Competitive Bubble	32	Development Group A	17	1.5	1	Charles Marchand
				Development Group B	15	1.5	1	Anders Gravel
		U15 Recreational Bubble	24	Development Group C	12	1	1.33	Mike Morrison
				Development Group D	12	1	1.33	Kevin Blundell
U18	Pauline Benkovzski	U18 Bubble	45	Development Group A	16	1.5	0.8	Andy St. Amant
				Development Group B	14	1	0.8	Shaun Desroches
				Development Group C	12	1	0.8	Scott Neil
				Development Group D	3	0	0.8	None

SECOND HALF OF SEASON



- Play may occur jointly across multiple MHAs possibly Penetang, Midland,
 Elmvale and/or Oro
- There will be multiple tiers where appropriate
- Players will be assigned to a bubble where they will be part of a development group for practices and a 4-on-4 team for games
- Bubbles will be based on traditional age groups and will be determined later with other MHAs
- # of practices and games will depend on the age group and tier

This is subject to change and is pending OMHA approval for move to later stages of return to play

COSTS FOR SEASON



- PMHA will be running on a cost recovery model this year trying to keep fees as low as possible
- All players will be charged a one time overhead fee to cover insurance, team registration,
 and other miscellaneous expenses for the year
- Players will be given a jersey for games but will not be supplied practice jerseys or socks
- Costs for ice time will be paid based on how much ice time is assigned to their Development Group
- Players will pay for the ice that is allotted to their Development Group, not what they attend
- Midget players will be given the option to opt out of practices and play games only
- Teams that request and receive additional ice will pay for these extra ice times directly
- The board will review our refund policy and provide additional flexibility where necessary

COSTS FOR FIRST HALF OF SEASON



Age	Convenor	Bubble	Development Group	Prac Hrs/wk	Games/wk	Add'l Dev./wk	Reg. Fee	Add'I Dev Fee	Total
U7	Jeff Hamelin	U7 Bubble	Development Group A	2	0	0	\$250.00	\$0.00	\$250.00
U9	Kyle Graham	U9 Bubble	Development Group A (U9)	1.5	1	0	\$350.00	\$0.00	\$350.00
			Development Group B (U8)	1.5	1	0	\$350.00	\$0.00	\$350.00
U12	Mike De Munnik	U12 Competitive Bubble	Development Group A	1.5	-1	1	\$350.00	\$130.00	\$480.00
			Development Group B	1.5	1	1	\$350.00	\$130.00	\$480.00
		U12 Recreational Bubble	Development Group C	1	1	0	\$300.00	\$0.00	\$300.00
			Development Group D	1	1	0	\$300.00	\$0.00	\$300.00
U15	Todd Ritchie	U15 Competitive Bubble	Development Group A	1.5	1	1	\$350.00	\$130.00	\$480.00
			Development Group B	1.5	1	0	\$350.00	\$0.00	\$350.00
		U15 Recreational Bubble	Development Group C	1	1.33	0	\$315.00	\$0.00	\$315.00
			Development Group D	1	1.33	0	\$315.00	\$0.00	\$315.00
U18	Pauline Benkovzski	U18 Bubble	Development Group A	1.5	0.8	0	\$310.00	\$0.00	\$310.00
			Development Group B	1	0.8	0	\$260.00	\$0.00	\$260.00
			Development Group C	1	0.8	0	\$260.00	\$0.00	\$260.00
			Development Group D	0	0.8	0	\$140.00	\$0.00	\$140.00

ADDITIONAL NOTES



- We will not offer Intro to Hockey at the beginning of the year though will consider adding it later in season if conditions allow it.
- Number of practices per week is based on the development group. Groups will receive
 1.5 or 1 hour per week.
- Additional ice time may be available if requested.
- Every team will play approximately 1 game per week.
- Coaches and trainers will be selected by PMHA board and the return to play committee.

APPENDIX A MODIFIED GAME PLAY U12/U15/U18



Game Play

- Game time structure based on a 50-minute ice rental
- 5 min warm up
 - · 2 x 22 min period run time
 - 1 min intermission between 1st and 2nd period
- No overtime / no shootout for tied games
- No faceoffs
- Period 1 visiting team has first possession
- Period 2 home team has first possession
- - Accidental/incidental contact may occur
 - No body checking

No Physical Contact

- When a scrum or gathering occurs the puck will be given to the defending team and the attacking team must retreat. A whistle will be blown to separate the players and another whistle to signal the resumption of play once the official is satisfied the attacking team has retreated and the defending team has gained puck possession.
- · A player that loses a glove must immediately retrieve the glove or leave the ice.

Line Changes

Teams will change on the fly.

Goals

- Goals result in a change of possession. The team that scores the goal must allow the other team to
 advance the puck past center ice before applying pressure. If the puck has not advanced past center ice
 within 10 seconds of the whistle the official will signal the team that scored to proceed with the attack.
- Example:
 - Team A scores goal
 - Team A must allow Team B to advance the puck past center ice before applying pressure.

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- Icing the puck results in a change of possession. The team that iced the puck must allow the other team
 to advance the puck past center ice before applying pressure. If the puck has not advanced past center ice
 within 10 seconds of the whistle the official will signal the attacking team to proceed with the attack.
- Example:
 - · Team A ices the puck
 - Team B retrieves puck
 - Team A cannot apply pressure until Team B has advanced the puck past center ice.

Offsides

- Offsides will result in a change of possession. The team that was called for offside must exit their attacking zone (all players simultaneously in neutral zone) before re-entering their attacking zone and applying pressure.
- Example:
 - . Team A is called for offside and all players must exit their attacking zone
 - Once all Team A players are simultaneously in the neutral zone they may re-enter their attacking zone

Goaltender Freezes the Puck

- When the goaltender freezes the puck, the attacking team must exit their attacking zone (all players simultaneously in neutral zone) before re-entering their attacking zone and applying pressure.
- Example:
 - · Team B goaltender freezes puck
 - · Team A must exit their attacking zone
 - Once all Team A players are simultaneously in the neutral zone they may re-enter their attacking zone

Penalties

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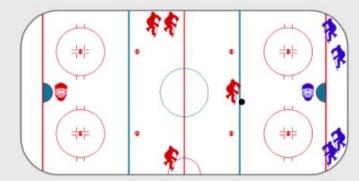
- · Penalty shots will be awarded for penalties as per:
 - 2 min penalties = 1 penalty shot
 - 4+ min penalties = 2 penalty shots
 - All major penalties will result in 2 penalty shots and an ejection from the game
 - Intentional body contact or body checking = 2 penalty shots and may result in removal from the game
 - at the discretion of the referee
 - Intentionally entering the goaltenders crease = 1 penalty shot
 - Co-incidental penalties will result in NO penalty shot being awarded
 The penalty shot must be taken by the individual the infraction was committed against unless they are
 - unable to do so because of injury

 The time clock will continue to run during a penalty shot. If the buzzer sounds while the penalty shot is in
- process, the shot will be allowed to be completed and then the player change will occur.
 If a delayed penalty is called near the end of the game and the clock runs out, and where the result of the penalty shot(s) could change the outcome of the game, the penalty shot(s) will be taken. If the outcome of the penalty shot(s) would have no impact on the outcome of the game, the penalty shot(s) will not be

PENALTY SHOT SETUP

- A penalty shot shall be initiated from the blue-line, at a point between the neutral
 zone face-off dots. The remaining three skaters on the attacking team must be
 positioned behind the red line against the boards, while the four skaters on the
 defensive team must stand behind their own goal-line in either corner.
- Once the whistle goes, the player taking the penalty shot will be free to initiate their penalty shot
- In the event of a goal, the team that took the penalty shot will be required to clear back to the red line. Once all four (4) skaters on the team are behind the red line, the attacking team is free to re-engage and pressure the puck. The defensive team will be responsible for retrieving the puck out of the goal and can initiate play immediately.
- In the event of a save or a missed attempt, the team that took the penalty shot will be required to clear back to the blue line. Once all four (4) skaters on the team are behind the blue line, the attacking team is free to re-engage and pressure the puck. The defensive team will be responsible for retrieving the puck and can initiate play immediately. Should a puck leave the playing surface on a penalty shot, the defensive team will be given the puck below the hash-marks, with the shooting team required to retreat behind the blue-line before play resuming once the whistle goes.

For a penalty that requires two penalty shot attempts, the process will be repeated from the beginning for the second penalty shot attempt, regardless of whether or not a goal was scored on the first attempt.



APPENDIX B MODIFIED GAME PLAY U7/U9



Game Play

- Game time structure based on a 50-minute ice rental
 - 5 min warm up

No Physical Contact

- 2 x 21 min period run time
- 1 min intermission between 1st and 2nd period
- No overtime / no shootout for tied games
- No faceoffs
 - Period 1 visiting team has first possession
 - Period 2 home team has first possession
 - Accidental/incidental contact may occur

 - No body checking
- team must retreat. A whistle will be blown to separate the players and another whistle to signal the resumption of play once the official is satisfied the attacking team has retreated and the defending team has gained puck possession.

When a scrum or gathering occurs the puck will be given to the defending team and the attacking

A player that loses a glove must immediately retrieve the glove or leave the ice.

Line Changes

1.5 min shifts (timekeeper will sound the horn to notify shift change).

Goals

 Goals result in a change of possession. The attacking team must retreat and allow the team that was scored against the opportunity to play the puck. If this does not occur, the official may blow their whistle and signal the opposing team to provide more space.

Goaltender Freezes the Puck

When the goaltender freezes the puck, the attacking team must retreat and allow the team that froze the
puck the opportunity to play the puck. If this does not occur, the official may blow their whistle and signal
the opposing team to provide more space.

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· There is no icing in cross-ice hockey.

Offside

· There are no offsides in cross-ice hockey.

Penalties

 Penalties will be handled in the same manner as modified ice programming per the Hockey Canada Player Pathways. Intentional body contact or body checking may result in removal from the game at the discretion of the referee.

Roster

- 9 players plus 1 goaltender (per team)
- Both teams must start the game with a minimum of 5 players plus 1 goaltender

APPENDIX C CLEANING & SANITIZING POLICIES



CLEANING & SANITIZING



In addition to arena sanitizing protocols, the following protocols will also be adhered to.

LOCKERS

• The locker room will be off limits

PRACTICE EQUIPMENT

- Development Groups will be given a bucket and set of pucks which they will own for the duration of the season.
- There will be no shared equipment pylons, sticks, attack triangles, tires, etc...
- Coaches will bring their own pucks and equipment with them to the rink and leave with it
- There will be no sharing of practice jerseys or collection of jerseys after practice.
- Players are to bring their own jerseys and socks with them and leave with them to be taken home and washed between uses.
- Half ice boards are not to be used during practices
- Mini-nets and practice nets can be used in practice. However, they may only be used as actual nets/dividers and may not be used for pushing, pulling or other non-stationary activities. Also, they must be sanitized after their use.

CLEANING & SANITIZING



GAME EQUIPMENT

- The home team will provide the referee with 2 pucks for the game. These will be returned to the coach after the game. PMHA will NOT be providing game pucks this year.
- Half ice boards will be used at the U9 levels for games.
- Coaches and trainers from the two teams will assist in taking these out onto the ice and setting
 them up. Anyone assisting with the movement and assembly/disassembly of the boards/dividers
 MUST maintain 6 feet distance, be wearing a mask at all times and disinfect their hands before and
 after touching the boards/dividers.
- Boards must be disinfected with a spray bottle provided after use.
- Red dividers will not be used at the U7 level and games will be played cross-ice with on ice helpers keeping pucks inside the blueline.
- Nets will be moved into place and pegged into the ice by the referee(s) using a shared set of pegs.
- Referees will wash their hands with sanitizer before and after touching the nets/pegs.
- There will be no sharing of game jerseys or collection of jerseys after games.
- Players are to bring their own jerseys and socks with them and leave with them to be taken home and washed between uses.

CLEANING & SANITIZING



TIMEKEEPER

- Electronic game sheets will be used and managed on an iPad. The iPad will be controlled by the time keeper who will be the only one to touch it. They will confirm the lineup with the coach and trainer prior to the game and sign on their behalf. They will disinfect their hands before and after touching the iPad.
- Before and after the game, the iPad and the scoreboard control panel will be wiped with a disinfectant prior to and after use.
- Timekeepers must wear a mask at all times even if sitting alone in the timekeeper's booth
- iPads will be the responsibility of PMHA to charge/disinfect/manage and will not be left at the arena.

SHARED GOALIE EQUIPMENT

- Each team that requires goalie equipment will be given their own set of equipment for their team.
- The coach will be responsible for taking the equipment to and from the arena after every practice and game.
- Additionally, the coach will disinfect the equipment using a PMHA provided spray before and after each
 use.
- After one player uses the equipment, it may not be used again (unless by the same player) for a minimum
 of 72 hours.

APPENDIX D SICK/INJURED PLAYER POLICY



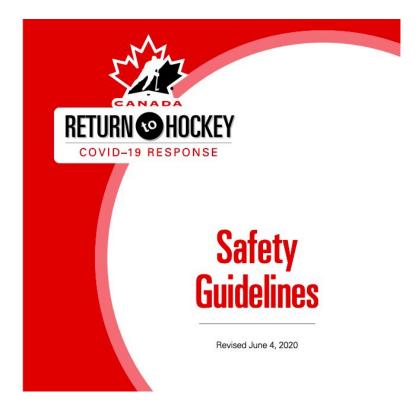
SICK/INJURED PLAYER PLAN



- When a player is sick or injured, the trainer will facilitate that player's immediate removal from the playing surface
- If social distance with the player cannot be kept, the trainer will wear a full face mask and gloves while dealing with the player (in addition to their cloth mask). PMHA will provide this mask with your team's trainer kit.
- Once the player is off the playing surface, they will be brought to where they got dressed for the practice or game to collect their belongings and remove their skates, helmet and gloves
- The trainer will call the child's parents (or emergency contact) to come and pick them up
- The trainer will wait with the player until their parents arrive
- When their parents arrive, they must be wearing a cloth mask and will sanitize their hands prior to entering the facility
- The player will be discharged to the parents or emergency contact who will take the player out of the arena
- The trainer will sanitize their hands and mask, dispose of their gloves and return to the bench area when appropriate
- The player will not be allowed to return to any PMHA activities until going through the Return to Play protocol as outlined on the next slides (taken from section 7 and section 8 of Hockey Canada Safety Guidelines)
- The trainer will immediately following the game/practice, notify the PMHA board of the incident



- See section 7 and section 8 of Hockey Canada Safety Guidelines
 - $\circ \qquad \text{https://e-registration.omha.net/OMHAPortal/Download/HC_RTH_SafetyGUIDELINES_8.5X11_ENG_FINAL.pdf} \\$



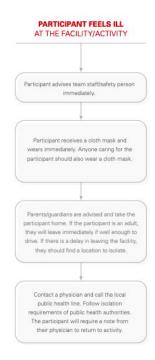


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SECTION 7

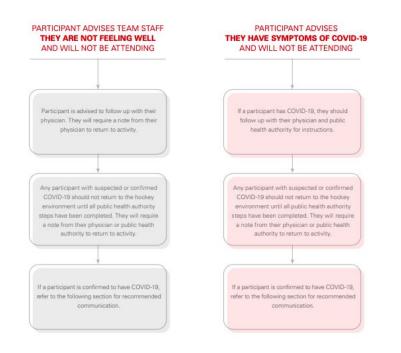
Recommended Return to Hockey Procedures

The following are recommended guidelines for team staff, parents and guardians for participants who are sick or showing symptoms of COVID-19. It is important to remember that public health authority guidelines and advice from physicians must be followed in any situation where a participant is sick.





Note that the procedure below applies to non-injury related illness and all other return to play guidelines specific to injuries still apply.





COVID-19 affects different people in different ways. Most infected people will develop mild to moderate illness and recover without hospitalization.

Most common symptoms:

- Fever
- Dry cough
- Shortness of breath

Less common symptoms:

- Runny nose
- Aches and pains
- Sore throat
- Diarrhea
- Conjunctivitis
- Headache
- Loss of taste and/or smell
- Skin rash, or discolouration of fingers and toes

Serious symptoms:

- Difficulty breathing
- Chest pain or pressure
- Loss of speech or movement

Seek immediate medical attention if you have serious symptoms. Always call before visiting your physician or health facility.

On average, it takes 5-6 days from infection for symptoms to show, but it can take up to 14 days.



SECTION 8

Positive COVID-19 Test in Hockey Environment

Important!

If a sick participant (or their parent/guardian if the participant is a minor lettest to inform a team/hockey association/Member that they have been disposed with COVID1-9, the individual informed shall seek the sick participant/their parent 's/guardian's consent to contact public health authorities in order to obtain advice on communication with other potentially impacted participants. The sick participant (or their parent/guardian if the participant is a minor) should be asked to advise Public Health of this consent.

Explain the communication that will take place and NEVER disclose the sick person's name.

PARTICIPANT TESTS POSITIVE FOR COVID-19 AND CONTACTS THEIR PHYSICIAN

FOLLOW PUBLIC HEALTH GUIDELINES

IMMEDIATE REMOVAL FROM HOCKEY
ENVIRONMENT FOR ANYONE IN THE HOME

REPORT TO PUBLIC HEALTH AUTHORITIES, FOLLOW GUIDELINES

PUBLIC HEALTH AUTHORITY DETERMINES COMMUNICATION PROTOCOL AND TRACING OF ALL CONTACTS

COOPERATE ON ANY NECESSARY COMMUNICATION.

NOTE REQUIRED FROM A PHYSICIAN OR PUBLIC HEALTH AUTHORITY TO RETURN TO PLAY

In Canada, the management of public health crises is a matter involving close coordination between all levels of government. There is therefore a variety of public and private sector privacy legislation at the federal, provincial and territorial levels that govern the collection, use and disclosure of personal information. There are provincial and territorial privacy authorities that coverse compliance with the <u>privacy legislation</u> at the federal, provincial and territorial levels that govern the collection, use and disclosure of personal information. There are provincial and territorial privacy authorities that oversee compliance with the privacy legislation in their respective jurisdictions, and some have guiltished their, own statements relevant to the matter of COVID-19.

APPENDIX E ADDITIONAL RESOURCES





- Hockey Canada Return to Hockey Safety Guidelines https://cdn.hockeycanada.ca/hockey-canada/Exclusive/return-to-hockey/downloads/HC_RTH_Safe

 ty-GUIDELINES_EN.pdf
- Hockey Canada Return To Hockey Safety Guidelines FAQ -https://hockeycanada.ca/en-ca/exclusive/return-to-hockey/plans/safety
- OHF Return to Hockey Framework -https://www.ohf.on.ca/media/tukpds4s/ohf-return-to-hockey_0731.pdf
- Ontario Emergency Order https://www.ontario.ca/page/emergency-information
- A Framework for Reopening our Province https://files.ontario.ca/mof-framework-for-reopening-our-province-en-2020-04-27.pdf
- Ontario Law and Safety https://www.ontario.ca/page/law-and-safety
- OHF Health Screening Questionnaire -https://www.ohf.on.ca/media/ql5fbdl5/health-screening-questionnaire.pdf
- OHF Contact Tracing https://www.ohf.on.ca/media/m0ggsjag/session-participation-and-health-screening-tracking.docx
 A second contact Tracing -





PHASE 2

RESTART, PROTECT AND SUPPORT

Staged approach doesn't have specific time frame and will evolve

May need to pause or return to previous stage to protect participants

Stage 1 • Individual In-Person Training and Group Virtual Training

Stage 2 · Group Development Programming

► Stage 3 • Modified Programming

Stage 4 • Traditional Hockey

STAGE 3A - RETURN TO ICE CONTINUED

- Strict On-ice Physical Distancing
- · Off-ice Training & Activity
- · Limited or Normal Use of Bench
- · Travel: Limited Public Health Unit

► STAGE 3B - RETURN TO PRACTICE AND PLAY AND REGISTRATION

- Maximum of 25
- Strict On-Ice Physical Distancing and Limited or Normal Use of Bench
- · Allocation of Player Groups and Group Training Prep Phase
- · Travel: Limited Public Health Unit

STAGE 3C - RETURN TO PRACTICE AND PLAY

- · Maximum of 40
- · Group Training / Practices with Physical Distancing
- Game Play 3 v 3 or 4 v 4, with No Physical Contact
- · Travel: Limited Public Health Unit

STAGE 3D - RETURN TO PRACTICE AND PLAY

- Maximum of 40
- Group Training / Practices with Physical Distancing
- Game Play 3 v 3, 4 v 4, 5 v 5, with No Physical Contact
- Travel: Limited Adjacent Public Health Units

STAGE 3F - RETURN TO PRACTICE AND PLAY

- · Maximum of 40
- Group Training / Practices with Physical Distancing
- Game Play 3 v 3, 4 v 4, 5 v 5, with No Physical Contact
- Travel: Expanded Local Health Integrated Network





The OMHA will be working with the Ontario Hockey Federation and Hockey Canada as well as following provincial health guidelines for a safe return to hockey.

*Source: OHF Return to Hockey Framework



Stage 3b - Return to Practice and Play - Registration for 2020-2021 - September 1 onward

Member Approved Programming in Geographic Area that is in Ontario Government Stage 3

Individual and Group Training

- Maximum of 30 participants on the ice, including instructors, or a lower number if determined by Ontario Government, local PHU, the facility or Member.
- Physical distancing is required for the purpose of individual and group training and if a facility has further restrictions all programming must comply.

Registration of Players for the 2020-2021

- · Registration is based on last year's registered Association:
 - Players on AAA Waivers may stay with the Association they were registered with in 2019-2020 or return to their residential Association.
 - Players in the LOR that were imports in 2019-2020 have the option to stay with the Association
 they were registered with for 2019-2020 or return to their residential association. Specifically, for
 2019-2020, imports in the GTHL at U13 and above in 2019-2020 may stay in the GTHL and register
 with any team in the GTHL or return to their residential association for 2020-2021.
 - If MHA is not operating, players are eligible to move to another MHA for a program.
 - If MHA providing some form of programming, players stay where registered last year unless determined otherwise by the Member for the purpose of providing programming.
- Methods of registration for the 2020-2021 season are found at Appendix D.

Junior Hockey

 All Return to Play protocols for each League must be submitted, vetted and approved by the Member and OHF prior to implementation. Protocol must comply with the Ontario Government, local PHU, the facility or Member, in addition to the Hockey Canada Safety Protocols and the OHF Return to Hockey



Framework.

 Flexibility on registering players for participation for the 2020-2021 season will be in cooperation between the Junior Members and their Leagues. Playing rules would comply with all laws of Ontario Government, local PHU, the facility or Member, in addition to the Hockey Canada Safety Protocols and the OHF Return to Hockey Framework.

Competition (Game Play)

- Following a minimum two-week development phase for any new programs, modified 3 on 3 or 4 on 4 game play with No Physical Contact hockey may begin.
- Leagues are a maximum of 50 or less depending on the PHU. The OHF will review the league maximum upon amendments by the Ontario Government.
- All Game Play is within local Public Health Unit.
- There is a minimum of one registered official per game unless determined otherwise by the Member.
- All Game Play must be conducted in conjunction with the local PHU and facility rules for the purpose
 of sanitation and physical distancing. Suggested programming structures are located in Appendix E
 with playing rules located in Appendix F.



The OHF document indicates under Stage 3b "Competition (Game Play) that modified 3 on 3 or 4 on 4 with no physical contact may begin following a minimum two-week development phase. Does this allow us to have modified game play at that point in time?

Modified Game play can begin following the required two-week development phase. The earliest that modified game play may begin if approved is September 15, following the two-week development phase that begins September 1.