

# Dobson Arena Ice Usage Safety Protocols

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Black Diamond Phase

Includes public skating, freestyle sessions (figure skating), skating clinics, hockey clinics, and any other skills-and-drills oriented use. Modified non-contact game play is allowed.

- All guests are required to wear a cloth face covering that covers their mouth and nose when entering and exiting the building. Guests may leave their face covering in their designated seating area while using the ice.
- Please arrive 15 minutes before your scheduled ice time. No one will be allowed to enter the building prior. All guests will need to exit the building within 15 minutes of exiting the ice.
- All groups renting the ice will need to provide Dobson staff a roster of all participants designated for each session prior to the day of rental. Anyone who is sick or displays any symptoms of illness will not be allowed to enter. If you are sick, please stay home.
- As many interior doors as possible will be propped open to reduce the number of high-touch areas. This will include locker rooms, restrooms, and ice rink gates when applicable. Ice rink gates will need to be secure during hockey use for safety purposes.
- Upon arrival:
  - Prior to entering Dobson, we ask that all guests practice social distancing in front of the main doors, out of the bus loop. We will provide designated spots to help guide this process.
  - Participants shall come to the rink ready to skate. Designated staging areas in the lobby or locker room shall be used only to put on skates, exterior apparel, or appropriate protective equipment. All guests will be getting skates on in a public area and must avoid being indecent.
  - Staging areas will be designated per group and participants will be assigned where to sit when they check in at the front counter.
- Building access:
  - Guests (all people using the ice other than staff) will enter through the main entrance where they will check in with rink staff at the skate rental counter. The flow of traffic will then be directed to a designated staging area before getting on the ice surface. Participants will exit the building from the upper, west doors. Exit traffic will be directed around the rink and through the bleacher side of the rink to avoid contact with guests arriving for the next session. All traffic flow will be counterclockwise inside the arena.



- All guests must use their assigned, designated staging area to allow rink staff to properly disinfect other staging areas used by prior guests.
- Locker rooms will be used as staging areas, in addition to the lobby. No shower use will be allowed and doors will stay propped open at all times.
- All registrations, rental fees, and payments will be made online. Guests will only need to check-in at the skate rental counter to confirm payment and registration. Staff will wear masks.
- All participants will need to be supervised for skating clinics or hockey clinics. Staff will monitor public skating.
- Guests are encouraged to bring their own water bottle. Water fountains will not be available, however the water bottle fill station will be available.
- No water bottle sharing. No spitting or nose blowing is permitted on the ice. Please use a trash can or tissue if needed.
- All organized skills and drills will abide by social distancing guidelines.
- All player benches, penalty boxes, and the scorer's box will be off limits.
  - Only coaches may use the west penalty box, one at a time, to control the music.
  - In the event of modified, non-contact game play, only one person may operate the score board.
  - In the event of modified, non-contact game play, only five players may occupy a player bench at any given time.
- All participants in stick and puck, public skating, and freestyle sessions will need to abide by social distancing guidelines.
- Participants will be given 10 minutes to change out of skates and any gear before leaving the designated staging areas to exit the building.
- All personal equipment and items must be taken from the arena with the skater. Skaters are not allowed to leave gear at the arena for later sessions in the day.
- Chairs, benches and high-touch points will be treated with disinfectant in between transitions.
- No group will have more than **25 skaters**, excluding coaches, at any given time.
- **Anyone who cannot comply with social distancing and Dobson Arena protocols will be asked to leave and/or not permitted to participate in the future.**
- No spectators will be allowed in the arena. A parent or guardian is allowed to enter the arena with their skater and tie skates. They then must leave the arena and wait outside. All guests will exit through the upper, west doors.
- Skate sharpening is available. All skates must be prepaid and left overnight for service. We will not sharpen skates the same day.















