

# -PAUL LOUIS ARENA'S REOPENING PLAN-

#### **OBJECTIVE:**

The objective of this plan for the reopening of Paul Louis Arena is to ensure that we take the correct safety measures to ensure that we are keeping athletes, guests, coaches, and employees safe and healthy. Below are the guidelines that we implementing into our rink's everyday procedure. We will be following the NYS Guidelines with reopening, along with executing recommendations and guidelines that work's best in our facility.

Our reopening plans focuses on the fundamental principle of physical distancing, constant cleaning with CDC approved supplies, reduced number of guests, reduced use of shared spaces and objects, use of protected face coverings, and the goal of keeping everyone safe from the coronavirus.

#### **GUIDELINES:**

Our plan encompasses all mandated guidelines under New York State, along with additional recommendations by other organizations and our own implementations. Please note that as we reopen, check back at our reopening plan as updates may be made as we learn and adjust during this time. PLA's Guidelines are subject to change at any given time.

#### Guidelines that are being implemented and referenced:

A list of NYS mandated guidelines along with other governing organizations will be provided at the end of this protocol that have been considered and followed in the making of PLA's guidelines.

#### **OVERVIEW:**

- Everyone entering the facility must wear a protective facemask at ALL times; except for participants on the ice
- We ask that participants only arrive 30 minutes before scheduled ice session and must depart the building no later than 30 minutes after the end of the session
  - Athletes using the locker room will only be allowed to enter 20 minutes prior to ice session



# **OVERVIEW (CONT.):**

- There will be traffic markers on the floor to help direct the flow of guests in the building, along with doors for only entering/ exiting the facility
- The Paul Louis Arena Staff will be consistently sanitizing the building, benches, locker rooms, bathrooms, handles, and other high use areas with CDC approved cleaning supplies
- Players must bring their own water bottles if they want one, the use of the water fountain will not be permitted at this time
- The maximum number of people on the ice is 20 people
- We will be providing nets, but any other coaching materials, such as cones, mini nets, obstacles, will not be provided
- Spitting anywhere in the building is NOT permitted and you will be asked to leave if doing so
- ALL employees will go through questions about their health and a temperature check prior to starting their shift
- We suggest players under the age of 12 get dressed majority at home
- In the locker rooms we ask that everyone stays socially distant and everyone must be wearing their mask
- If feeling sick or have been sick within the last 14 days we ask you not to enter our facility
- We will be limiting the number of our staff working in the facility at one time
- Throughout the building there will be CDC issued posters with useful guidelines and tips to stay socially distant, hand washing recommendations, and more

#### **GUEST HEALTH & EXPECTATIONS:**

The safety and health of all guests and employees is our number one priority and for the safety of everyone, we ask that you adhere to the following guidelines:

#### Physical Distancing:

All guests/participants/ employees will be advised to try to remain 6 feet or more distance from others you aren't travelling with throughout the lobby, stands, facility, locker rooms, and on the ice.

#### **Enter/Exits:**

We will be designating one door for entering ONLY and one door for exiting only while entering the building and the doors from the lobby entering into the rink. This will allow for constant traffic flow.



### **Spectators:**

Only one spectator is allowed per participant 17 and under. No spectators under the age of 10 are permitted. Anyone older than 18 is not permitted to bring a spectator to reduce the number of people within the space.

#### Masks:

Masks are permitted to be warn the whole duration of spectators being in the rink. Athletes are only permitted to take off masks when skating on the ice. Masks must be covering both your mouth and your nose.

#### Schedule- Entrance & Exit Time Restrictions:

Participants and spectators are only allowed to enter the facility 30 minutes prior to their scheduled ice time. Athletes using the locker rooms are only allowed in the locker rooms 20 minutes prior to ice time to allow the staff to properly sanitize the area. Participants must exit the building no more than 30 minutes after the end of their ice session.

#### Spectators/Athletes Entering:

We encourage that spectators and athletes entering the building take the short questionnaire provided by the front desk, asking a few questions regarding your health and how you are feeling. Please while at the front desk stay behind the taped line to keep socially distant from the employee.

# Signage:

There will be signage posted around the rink with reminders about wearing masks at all times, keeping socially distant, CDC recommendations for washing hands and tips to avoid the spread of COVID. On doors will be signs, showing which doors can be used as enter and exit doors only. On the floor there will be markers signifying the direction of the flow of traffic.

#### **Sanitizer Stations:**

Throughout the building there will be pump sanitizer and touch less sensor hand sanitizer stations that we recommend everyone be constantly using.

#### **Locker Rooms:**

Locker rooms will only be open prior to 20 minutes before ice time. Players must wear masks and stay as socially distant from other athletes as possible. Please make sure all trash makes it into the trashcan and no spitting is permitted.

#### Lobby:

The seating in the lobby will be limited, but the seating remaining will be spaced at least 6 feet apart. We ask that no meetings be held in the lobby and once your ice is done, people don't stay within the building to talk. No TV remotes will be left out during this time, along with not allowing the touch of the TVs.



#### **Bleachers:**

If spectators want to use the bleachers, spectators must be at least 6 feet from the next spectator.

#### Lost & Found:

During this time there will be no lost and found. The rink will not be holding onto any lost items based on the CDC's recommendation.

#### **Drinking Fountain:**

The drinking fountain will not be in use at this time. We ask that participants bring their own water bottle—no sharing of water bottles, or they can use our vending machines to purchase a drink if they wish to do so.

#### Case Notification:

In the case that Paul Louis Arena is notified that a possible case was at the facility, we will work with the Monroe County Health Department and follow their procedures.

#### **EMPLOYEE HEALTH & RESPONSIBILITY:**

Our employees' health is one of our main priorities along with their responsibility of enforcing and maintains the safety guidelines to stop the spread of COVID. With being only a one sheet facility, we are able to limit the amount of staff working at one time.

#### **Education/ Policies:**

All employees are required to learn the best cleaning practices, safety protocols, and more stated in the Reopening New York State Sports and Recreation Guidelines.

#### **Employee Health Concerns:**

Upon arriving for an employee's shift, the employee is asked to wash their hands or sanitize. Before they clock in they have to go through a series of questions about their health and receive a temperature check. If the employee does not feel well they are instructed to stay home.

#### Masks:

All employees must wear protective facemasks at all time once entering the facility. They will be reminded about constantly washing their hands, maintain social distance of 6 feet or more from all guests and other employees, and to keep up with hygienic practices, such as not touching their face.



#### **Hand Washing:**

Hand washing is one of the most important ways to combat the stop of the Coronavirus. Staff are asked to wash their hands at least every hour with soap for at least 20 seconds. After staff does activities such as use machinery, mop, sweep, using the restrooms, touching their face, eat, arrive/depart the facility they are required to properly clean their hands.

#### **Cleaning Protocols and Products:**

At Paul Louis Arena we are using products and cleaning products that meet or surpass the CDC's guidelines. The cleaning products being used kill the virus and will help stop the spread of the virus. There will be increased frequency of cleaning in all public places throughout the facility. We will stress the increased cleaning and sanitation of higher traffic/ touched areas such as locker rooms, front doors, front desk, all handles, and lobby seats, bleachers, vending machines. All shared equipment such as nets will be completely wiped down and sanitized between each ice session.

#### **Employee Machinery/ Tools:**

Employees will be required to sanitize all computers, POS systems, keys, phones, and more between uses. In the Zamboni room, the Zamboni seat, wheel, and gears will be sanitized after each use, along with any tools or buttons touched. Once the scoreboard is needed, the score-box and buttons will be sanitized between each use.

#### CLEANING OF HIGH TRAFFIC AREAS/ SANITATION PROTOCOLS:

#### **Public Spaces:**

Areas listed below are expected to be sanitize at least once per hour:

- Entrance & Exit door handles
- Front desk counter top
- Lobby Tables
- Handrails
- Restrooms
- Player's benches
- Rink doors to the ice
- Lobby chairs
- Bleachers



#### **Locker Rooms:**

Players will only be allowed to enter the locker rooms 20 minutes prior to scheduled ice. Between each use the following will be sanitized:

- Door handles
- Locker Room Floors
- Locker Room Benches
- Hooks mounted on walls
- Light switches if applicable
- Stick Racks
- Showers

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# **On-Ice Benches:**

- Player benches—sitting surface
- Bench door handles
- Area where water bottles are located
- Top of bench where players jump over

As we all are learning during this new time, we ask for your patience. We are excited for everyone to be back at the rink but we want to make sure we are doing so in the safest way possible and following all safety measures.

# List to Guidelines that were referenced and implemented in our reopening plan here at Paul Louis Arena.

- Reopening New York-Sports & Recreation Summary Guidelines (NYS/ESD)
- Reopening New York-Sports & Recreation Master Guidelines (NYS/ESD)
- Consideration for Youth Sports (CDC)
- Interim Guidelines for Sports & Recreation During COVID-19 (NYS/ESD)
- Guidelines for Cleaning & Disinfection of Public & Private Facilities for COVID-19 (CDC)/ (DOH)
- Cleaning & Disinfecting Your Facility (CDC)
- Returning to Rinks (USA Hockey/ US Figure Skating)
- Guidance on Preparing Workplaces for COVID-19 (OSHA)