

Furniture and Things Community Event Center
COVID-19 Safety & Preparedness Plan

January 8, 2021

(Effective January 11, 2021 – until further notice)

Specific policies related to the operations of Furniture and Things Community Event Center are included herein and have been developed in conjunction with the City of Elk River's COVID-19 Team. The goal of this plan is to continue to provide responsive, high quality services in a collaborative way while mitigating the potential for transmission of COVID-19. The City has included best practices and procedures for recreational facilities as set forth by the Minnesota Department of Health (MDH), and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). Contents of this plan and continued operations of Furniture and Things Community Event Center are subject to change at the sole discretion of the City of Elk River.

General Facility Guidelines

- Each team or group's coaches, instructors, leaders, etc.; will sign an agreement prior to each use, acknowledging and agreeing to follow all MDH, City of Elk River, FATCEC and their respective sport's governing bodies rules and regulations.
- Unless otherwise exempted or not recommended by local, state or federal guidance, all persons entering Furniture and Things Community Event Center will be required to wear an appropriate face mask for the entire time they are present in the building. Children between the ages of 2 and 5 are encouraged but not required to wear a face mask.
- Facility maximum capacity is 150.
- Each user group MUST supply Furniture and Things Community Event Center with its own COVID-19 policy for approval. Policies must adhere to Minnesota Department of Health (MDH), guidelines as well as that of their own governing bodies.
- Users should arrive no earlier than 10 minutes prior to their scheduled activity.
- All users must leave the facility no more than 10 minutes after their scheduled activity.
- All persons entering the building are expected to maintain 6' social distance when static and 9' social distance when exercising.
- Drinking fountains are closed. Players, coaches, and officials should bring their own water bottles.
- The concession stand will not be open for service, until further notice. Vending machines will be available for use.
- Participants must pick up after themselves. All trash should be disposed of in appropriate trash receptacles.

- There will be NO lost and found area maintained. Any articles left will be considered contaminated and will be disposed of by Furniture and Things Community Event Center staff.
- Skate sharpening services are currently unavailable.
- Tape, laces, pucks, and other items are available for sale in the main office.
- No guided tours are scheduled for the foreseeable future.
- Requirements for holding practices with spectators. Up to one spectator per participant is allowed to attend practices. However, spectators at practices are strongly discouraged. If necessary for spectators to be at practices, ensure that spectators maintain at least 6' of social distancing between households and that spectators are complying with venue/facility guidance – including applicable capacity limits.
- Requirements for holding games, scrimmages, and competitions. The total number of spectators at games must comply with the appropriate venue guidance and capacity limits. Strongly consider limiting spectators to one to two people per participant to minimize transmission and to comply with applicable venue guidance and capacity limits. Require advance reservations and/or ticketing (e.g., online, app-based, email, will-call). Do not allow walk-ins, impromptu purchases or admittance. Names, phone number, and/or email should be collected as part of the reservations so that quick notification can be done if an individual develops COVID-19. Schedule arrival times for longer than their typical duration to minimize the congregation of patrons waiting. Establish staggered admission times, entry times and durations to minimize overlap and congregating of patrons at choke points (e.g., access point, security check points, admission areas, concession areas).

Youth and Adult Sports

Hockey, figure skating, and all turf activities.

Organized practices are available beginning January 4, 2021.

Scrimmages and games may begin January 14, 2021.

- Each user group MUST supply Furniture and Things Community Event Center with its own COVID-19 policy for approval. Policies must adhere to Minnesota Department of Health (MDH), guidelines as well as that of their own governing bodies.
- It is the responsibility of the group or person renting the ice/turf to supervise the participants of the group and to assure that they are following the policy and procedures set forth in this plan. Failure to do so will result in the revocation of use of Furniture and Things Community Event Center and all its amenities until further notice.
- Hockey mat dividers may be used for hockey mites practices. Coaches may bring their own cones for practice; however, they must be removed from the rink and leave with coach after each session.
- Coaches are allowed a puck bag/bucket and a small bag for coaching aides.

- NO writing of any kind is allowed on building glass.
- NO off – ice/turf training is allowed inside, outside, or adjacent to the building, except training provided by or Elk River Youth Hockey Association (ERYHA). This includes the use of parking lots, grassy areas, sidewalks or driveways.
- Participants must come fully dressed, except for helmets, skates, and gloves. Goalies must come half-dressed and are allowed to bring in an (1) equipment bag to be left in assigned area. No one will be allowed to change clothes anywhere in the building, including the restrooms. Each rink will have a dedicated waiting area adjacent to the rink where participants can put on their skates. Participants are expected to sit only in approved spaces on chairs or benches, to put on their skates, or to wait for their session to start in order to maintain a minimum of 6 feet of social distance between themselves and other participants.
- Participants are to be dropped off at main door and will not be allowed in the building more than 10 minutes prior to the start of their reserved time and must be out of building within 10 minutes of the end of their activity.
- Per Executive Order 21-01, all participants, coaches, and spectators will always be required to wear appropriate face masks upon entering the building and they are in the building, including on-ice/turf practice and game play.
- Upon entry, participants will go directly to the rink/turf or assigned adjacent waiting area, take the ice/turf, and leave building when session is over. Should an individual participant be scheduled for more than one session, they will be directed to an assigned adjacent waiting area until they are allowed on the ice/turf. While waiting, all participants are expected to observe and follow social distancing guidelines outlined above.
- All coach's rooms, referee rooms, locker rooms, and meeting rooms will be locked and not available for use.
- 6' physical distancing required on benches.
- Two pods of 25 per ice/turf sheet allowed – pods may not intermingle.
- Participants must be picked up at the main door within 10 minutes of their scheduled activity ending. Participants should not wait for pickup inside the building. Loitering is not allowed in either the building or parking lot.
- Requirements for holding practices with spectators. Up to one spectator per participant is allowed to attend practices. However, spectators at practices are strongly discouraged. If necessary for spectators to be at practices, ensure that spectators maintain at least 6' of social distancing between households and that spectators are complying with venue/facility guidance – including applicable capacity limits.
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Walking Track Sessions

- Walking track sessions available beginning January 4, 2021.
- Prior registration is required.
- Face masks are required at all times in the building, even while walking.
- 9' physical distancing required while walking.

Senior Activity Center Programs

- Limited programs will be available beginning January 4, 2021.
- Physical distancing requirements: 6' social distance when static and 9' social distance when exercising.
- Prior registration required for all programs.
- Drop – in program access remains unavailable.
- Appropriate facemasks required at all times.

Open Skating/Stick and Puck Open Skating

- Available beginning January 4, 2021.
- Appropriate facemasks required at all times, including while skating.
- Strict 25 skater per session limit.
- Individual prior registration required.
- No family rates available at this time.
- No locker rooms available, chairs with socially distanced spacing will be in the locker room hallway.
- Register by phone to utilize punch cards.

- No spectators allowed.
- Must be on skates to be on the ice.
- Rental skates and skate assisters will be available.
- Arrive no more than 10 minutes prior to ice time.
- Exit no more than 10 minutes after skating.
- Helmets required for **all** stick and puck participants, and open skating participants under the age of 6 – strongly recommended for all users.

Room Rentals

- Unavailable at this time, until executive order allows.
- Future executive order may impact availability.

Figure Skating Contract Ice

- Available beginning January 4, 2021.
- On site registration only (no package deals by day).
- Limit 25 participants including coaches.
- No spectators.