



District of Port Hardy

2021 Family Bubble Skating

COVID-19 Safety Plan

The District of Port Hardy (hereon in referred to as 'the District') is excited to welcome patrons to family bubble skating sessions. Our primary focus is to ensure the safety of staff and patrons attending ice sessions. Additional health and safety precautions have been put in place to minimize the risk at our facility. To provide the highest level of care and safety, the District will follow guidelines set out by WorkSafeBC, Public Health, and BCRPA. We ask that you thoroughly read and strictly adhere to these guidelines to assist us in minimizing risk.

Any questions or concerns can be directed to Tanya Kaul, Director of Recreation and Community Services at 250.230.2617 or via email tkaul@porthardy.ca.

Attendance Prerequisite

- All patrons **must** pre-register for each skating session (referred to as 'Family Bubble Skates') effective February 1, 2021.
- Pre-registration can be done by calling Port Hardy Recreation Centre at 250.949.6686 or emailing melinda@porthardy.ca.
- Patrons must agree to abide by safety and facility guidelines. Failure to do so may result in being asked to leave the facility. Please discuss guidelines with other members of your household.
- Children ages 12 and under must be accompanied by an on-ice adult who has also pre-registered to attend the session.
- The ice rink will be divided into 2 halves; one half per family household.
- Family Bubble Skates are limited to a maximum of 6 household members per half section of ice for a total of 12 on the ice at any given time. No additional family members or spectators are permitted in the facility during ice time.

Access to Facility

- All patrons 12 years and up **must** wear masks (face shields not acceptable) in all indoor public spaces. It is **recommended** that children ages 2 - 11 wear masks in all indoor public spaces. Skaters are not required to wear masks while on the ice.
- Our attendance numbers are limited by strictly controlled facility capacities. You will not be permitted to enter the facility if you are not registered. Be prepared to be turned

away if you are not registered to attend in advance. In some cases, where occupancy limits permit and where staff are available, you may be able to register at the last minute upon arrival.

- You will only be permitted to access the areas of the building designated for family bubble skating sessions.

Screening

- Prior to arriving at the facility, please screen yourself and each member of your group as directed upon registration. Do not come to our facility if anyone shows signs of illness, is required to self-isolate, has been exposed to a confirmed or presumptive case of COVID-19, or has travelled outside of Canada in the last 14 days.
- If you are unsure of how to screen yourself, please use the BC Health COVID-19 Assessment Tool or contact 8-1-1. <https://bc.thrive.health/covid19/en>
- If you begin feeling unwell while in our facility, we ask that you notify a staff member and leave immediately.
- Please review signage posted in the Lobby and around the Arena to educate yourselves on COVID symptoms and follow directional signage to maintain your 2 metre social distance at all times.
- Front cashier staff will do their best to ensure self-screening has taken place before entrance into the Arena foyer.
- Signage for key safety measures will be posted at the entrance of the Lobby and Arena foyer.

Hygiene

- Please wash or sanitize your hands upon arrival and departure of the facility, after using the toilet, after coughing or sneezing, or whenever hands are visibly dirty. Hand sanitizer will be available at every entrance point.
- Cough or sneeze into your elbow and use tissues making sure to dispose of them into a garbage can.
- Please consider bringing your own hand sanitizer to reduce crowding of sanitation stations and shared supplies.
- Facility staff will use disinfectants proven to kill Coronavirus throughout Arena high touchpoints and washrooms. Priority high touch points include walls, benches, doors, garbage cans, skate aids and ice rink boards.
- Frequently touched surfaces including ice rink boards will be sanitized between family bubble groups.

Entering the Facility

- Entrance into the facility is through the main lobby of the Port Hardy Recreation Centre located at 7400 Columbia Street, Port Hardy.
- You will be permitted to enter 15 minutes prior to the start of your ice session. Please check in with staff at the front desk upon arrival into the main lobby.
- You may be asked to wait to enter the building. Please respect physical distancing at all times.
- Upon entry to the facility you will be required to pay at the front desk. Punch cards are available for 11 visits.
- You will be directed to an area where you may put on your skates. This area is where you should leave your shoes and any other belongings that you will not keep with you while skating. Please arrive at the facility with limited personal belongings and fully dressed to skate. The District will not be responsible for your watching or protecting your personal belongings. Please bring personal belongings at your own risk.

While Enjoying the Facility

- Please take note of directional signage and instructions from staff.
- There will be one-way pathways, occupancy limits, and exit/entrance zones.
- Abide by all facility rules. Take special care to skate in a controlled and safe manner to limit risk to others.
- Avoid touching as many unnecessary surfaces as possible (i.e. the ice rink boards and glass).
- Absolutely no spitting will be tolerated and is cause for immediate removal from the facility.
- Public drinking fountains and food services are not available at this time. Bring your own full and labelled water bottle if desired.
- In-person reception and registration services may be limited during Family Bubble Skating sessions.
- District staff have been trained and directed to deliver a comprehensive safety plan for the building. Patrons are required to follow their direction if they wish to remain in the facility.
- Skate aids are available for those who are unable to skate. Please ask a Facility Attendant to retrieve one for you. Do not share with other skaters outside of your household bubble.

Equipment Rentals and Skate Sharpening

- Skate rentals will be available and skates will be sanitized between sessions. In order to maintain this cleaning schedule, there may be times when available sizes will be limited.
- We are unable to loan hockey sticks, helmets, hockey tape, socks, repair tools or gloves.

- The use of helmets is recommended for all skaters, but helmets are not supplied by the District.
- Drop-off service for skate sharpening is not available at this time.

Leaving the Facility

- You must leave the facility within 15 minutes of the end of your session.
- Please follow directional signage via arrows while exiting the Arena.
- Please be prompt allowing staff to complete sanitation duties and prepare for the next users.
- There is to be no gatherings or socializing in the facility or the parking lot at any time.