

Updated WLMHA Spectator Plan – October 25th, 2021

In accordance with the most recent BC Public Health Order, along with Interior Health measures, WLMHA will be changing their spectator policy to allow for more than 50 spectators in their rinks. This policy is subject to change at any time to coincide with changes in policy from the Provincial Health Officer and/or Interior Health Medical Health Officers under the Public Health Act.

Reference:

[BC Government Public Health Order Information](#)

[Interior Health Authority Provincial and Regional Restrictions](#)

[Cariboo Memorial Complex Policies and Procedures](#)

Effective Friday, November 5th, all spectators for WLMHA hockey games will require proof of COVID-19 vaccination prior to entering the rink areas, as we will no longer be restricting access to 50 or less spectators. The following spectator plan will be enforced:

Rink 1:

- Spectators will only be allowed to enter the rink through the designated entrance
- Outside that entrance, a desk will be set up with two volunteers to check proof of vaccination.
- Volunteers at the desk will be required to download the official BC Vaccine Card Verifier App to ensure valid proof of vaccination.
- All spectators 19 and over will be required to present proof of vaccination **AND** a piece of valid government ID. Volunteers will check that the proof of vaccination is valid using the App, and that it matches the ID.
- All spectators 12 – 18 inclusive will only be required to present proof of vaccination. Volunteers will check that the proof of vaccination is valid using the App.
- Spectators will have their hand stamped to allow for quick identification and re-entry for security purposes. Otherwise, all re-entries will require proof of vaccination as outlined above.
- All spectators with a proof of vaccination will be allowed into the rink area, up to a maximum of 550.
- Two volunteers will monitor the rink entrance to assist with security.
- Two volunteers will monitor the dressing room tunnel area to ensure that no spectators enter the rink area through that entrance without proof of vaccination

Rink 2

- Spectators will only be allowed to enter the rink through the designated entrance
- Outside that entrance, a desk will be set up with two volunteers.
- Volunteers at the desk will be required to download the official BC Vaccine Card Verifier App to ensure valid proof of vaccination.
- All spectators 19 and over will be required to present proof of vaccination **AND** a piece of valid government ID. Volunteers will check that the proof of vaccination is valid using the App, and that it matches the ID.
- All spectators 12 – 18 inclusive will only be required to present proof of vaccination. Volunteers will check that the proof of vaccination is valid using the App.

- Spectators may have their hand stamped to allow for quick identification and re-entry for security purposes. Otherwise, all re-entries will require proof of vaccination as outlined above.
- All spectators with a proof of vaccination will be allowed into the rink area, up to a maximum of 150
- Two volunteers will monitor the rink entrance to assist with security.
- Two volunteers will monitor the rink entrance from the dressing room tunnel area to ensure that no spectators enter the rink area through that entrance without proof of vaccination.

The following rules will be in effect for both Rink 1 and Rink 2:

1. Players, Coaches, Team Officials, Referees, and all designated volunteers (see below) are considered operational staff and **NOT REQUIRED** to show proof of vaccination prior to entering the facility.
2. Masks are mandatory for everyone in the facility ages 5 and up.
3. Physical Distance – Please stay 6 ft (2m) apart whenever possible.
4. Do not enter the facility if you feel ill or have flu-like symptoms.
5. WLMHA has a **ZERO TOLERANCE** policy for any abuse of our volunteers in respect to these protocols.

Teams that refuse to follow this plan or are found to be negligent in enforcing this plan, may be asked to leave or suspended from game play, following executive review.

Notes on volunteers:

- For games involving only Williams Lake teams, each team will be required to supply 3 volunteers (1 for checking proof of vaccination, 1 for entrance security, 1 for tunnel security) for 6 total, unless agreed upon by team managers/division coordinators.
- For games involving out of town teams, the home team will be responsible for supplying all volunteers, unless agreed upon by team managers. Team managers or division coordinators may designate volunteer positions to out of town teams at their discretion.
- The following volunteer positions are available on each rink for each ice time:
 - o 2 Team Managers (1 per team)
 - o 2 Hockey Canada Safety Persons (1 per team)
 - o 2 COVID proof of vaccine managers
 - o 2 Security at the door to assist the proof of vaccine managers
 - o 2 Security in the tunnel
 - o 2 Security within the rink area (standing away from the spectators, crowd control)
 - o Score Clock
 - o Scoresheet
 - o 2 Penalty Box attendants
- All volunteers shall be identified using lanyards to show their designation. Lanyards are available from your team manager. Operational staff are not to be considered part of the spectator count
- Along with these volunteers, members of the executive are considered operational staff

