



Skate Canada: BC/YK Update Covid-19 Update #9 -May 14, 2020

COVID-19 Figure Skating Return to Play Planning

Dear Clubs and Coaches,

As we await approval from the BC Provincial Government to resume Figure Skating, we would like to provide you with some key points from our proposed "Return To Play" Figure Skating Plan so that your club and/or facility can start thinking and planning on how figure skating may return to your rink.

Reminder that the **Sport Figure Skating** is **not** authorized to operate at this time. That means clubs and Skate Canada programs are not allowed to operate until the BC Ministry of Health has given us and the sport sector authorization to do so. We are anxiously waiting for authorization from the BC Ministry of Health. Until we receive such authorization please consider the following items for your plans with your facilities.

- The activity must always comply with the physical distancing, cleaning and sanitizing measures, and recommendations issued by federal, provincial and municipal government authorities, including the arrival, time spent on site and departure of skaters.
- Limit programming to only STARSkate (recreational competitive stream), Competitive and Adult Level Skaters. Canskate and Junior Academy Type Programming should not be taking place at this time.
- Limit your activities to practice and private lessons or lessons with small groups. If lessons with small groups occur, social distancing measures must be followed.
- No more than 10 people(including skaters & coaches) may be on ice or in rink at anytime.
- Skaters, coaches and program staff may not participate if they:
 - Exhibit any COVID-19 symptoms, such as a fever, cough, difficulty breathing, or other symptoms identified by health experts.
 - Have been in contact with someone with COVID-19 in the last 14 days.
 - Are considered vulnerable or at risk (elderly individuals, immunosuppressed persons, individuals suffering from serious health problems, notably high blood pressure, pulmonary diseases, diabetes, obesity and asthma).
- Skaters, coaches and program staff will have a daily verbal screening for symptoms upon arrival at the building and before participation. This could be executed by an adult supervisor, who will also make sure that social distancing guidelines and traffic flow are being followed.



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- Dressing rooms should not be used. Skaters and coaches should put skates on in an open area marked for social distancing.
 - Parents should not be in the building and should drop off and pick up skaters at designated times.
 - Have only 1 person operating the music equipment, video, harness or any other teaching aids. Make sure to clean and sanitize any equipment immediately after use.
 - Used facial tissue and/or kleenex must go directly into the garbage can after use. No used tissues allowed on the rink boards.
 - Keep a record of all skaters and coaches on each session, so that you can contact them if needed, for example, if an infected person used your facility.

As these highlights are from the draft "Return To Play" Figure Skating Plan, they are subject to change until we have received approval.

A final "Return To Play" Figure Skating Plan Document will be distributed once we have received approval from BC Ministry of Health.

If you have any question regarding the "Return To Play" Figure Skating Plan please contact bcyksection@skatinginbc.com