

## Viroqua Community Arena - COVID-19 Policies

The Viroqua Area Hockey Association and its members will be required to adhere to the following COVID-19 policies stated below. Anyone entering and/or using the facility must abide by these policies.

### **PRACTICE POLICY:**

1. Players/coaches/parents with any illness should not enter the rink.
2. Per Gov Evers mandate, every person entering the rink will have a face covering on. Players will wear face coverings until getting on ice and then again when exiting ice.
3. Arrive at rink no more than 15 minutes prior to the start of practice and leave the rink no more than 15 minutes after practice is over.
4. We recommend that players arrive fully dressed aside from skates, helmets and gloves. Goalies may put additional equipment on at the rink. Two locker rooms will be available per team, players will be asked to sit 6 feet apart on designated X's on the benches. Coaches and players must have face coverings on at all times except for on the ice.
5. Only 1 parent will be allowed in the arena to help with equipment or watch practice. Face coverings must be worn at all times by parents while inside. No viewing will be allowed next to the glass in the lobby or along the boards. Non-skaters must watch from the bleachers.
6. There will be 2 entrances: North and South. Your team will be assigned to an entrance and that will be posted on the schedule on the VAHA website. There will be additional parking on the North side of the Arena.  
North entrance= Lockers C,D South entrance = A,B
7. Teams will exit through the same entrance
8. The mezzanine, lobby and lobby bathrooms will be closed during practice. The locker room and hallway bathrooms will be open.
9. Bring a water bottle for your player that is labeled, and full. Water fountains will not be available.
10. Please no spitting on the ice at any time.

**GAME POLICY:**

1. Players/coaches/parents with any illness should not enter the rink.
2. Per Gov Evers mandate, every person entering the rink will have a face covering on. Players will wear face coverings until getting on ice and then again when exiting ice.
3. Arrive 15 minutes max prior to the game and leave within 15 mins after.
4. Recommended that players arrive fully dressed aside from skates, helmets and gloves. Goalies may put additional equipment on at the rink (there will be a designated area for this) Two locker rooms will be available per team, players will be asked to sit 6 feet apart on designated X's on the benches. Coaches and players must have face coverings on at all times except for on the ice.
5. At this time we are not planning to limit the number of spectators at games. We ask that everyone follow social distancing guidelines. No viewing will be allowed next to the glass in the lobby or along the boards. Non-skaters must watch from the bleachers.
6. Both teams enter and exit through the south entrance.
7. Lobby and lobby bathrooms will be available during games. No congregating in the lobby after the game, the lobby will be closed as soon as the game ends. The mezzanine will be closed during games.
8. Social distance on the bleachers by only sitting next to family member and keep a 6 feet distance from others
9. We are planning to have Live Barn (online broadcast) available at the arena for those not able to attend in person. A subscription is required. [www.livebarn.com](http://www.livebarn.com)
10. Coaches are required to wear face coverings on the bench during games. Volunteers running the penalty box and scoreboard must also wear face coverings.
11. Please no spitting on the ice at any time.
12. No handshake lines allowed after the game.

**OPEN SKATE/ PRIVATE RENTAL POLICIES:**

1. Anyone with any illness should not enter the rink.
2. Per Gov Evers mandate, every person entering the rink will have a face covering on.
3. Open skate will be open to the public, 75 skaters will be allowed on the ice.
4. Concession and lobby will be open with socially distanced guidelines in place. Lockers A & B will open for putting skates on.
5. Non-skaters must watch from the bleachers. No viewing will be allowed next to the glass in the lobby or along the boards.

6. Skate rental will be available.
7. Face coverings are required on the ice during open skate and private rentals.

**CLEANING POLICY:**

1. Locker rooms, bathrooms and high touch point areas will be sanitized after every practice/game
2. Bleachers will be sanitized twice a day.
3. Hand sanitizer stations will be available throughout the arena.

**COVID-19 POSITIVE CASE/SYMPTOMS PROCEDURE:**

1. Any COVID-19 symptom related questions should be directed to your doctor and/or Vernon County Health Department for guidance.
2. The parent representative of each team will be responsible for responding to COVID-19 positive cases by notifying the coach and arena manager. All team coaches, players and parents should know who their parent rep is and how to contact them.
3. The Arena Manager will notify all members if a positive test is confirmed. The positive person's confidentiality will be maintained in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and HIPPA laws.
4. Any opponents or players/teams that have practiced with the infected player over the the previous 14 days will be notified.
5. Any opponents or players/teams scheduled to practice with the player's team over the upcoming 14 days will also be notified.
6. We will follow the Vernon County Health Dept guidelines on next steps. A deep clean will happen after a positive case is identified.

**In the event the season is cancelled, refunds will be prorated and given until December 31st. After that date, no refunds will be issued.**

**The above policies are put in place to protect our parents, players, and visitors and to ensure the most successful season possible during the COVID-19 pandemic.**

**The Viroqua Community Covid-19 policies are subject to change based on the status of the COVID-19 pandemic. Association members will be provided policy changes via email.**