

Proposal for Approval of Modified
On-Ice Recreational League Curling for the Fort
Smith Curling and Winter Sports Centre for
Phase 2 of the NWT's Emerging Wisely Strategy

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Background:

The Fort Smith Curling and Winter Sports Centre (FSCWSC) is a volunteer run organization in Fort Smith, Northwest Territories. The FSCWSC is a curling facility located inside the Fort Smith Recreation Centre. It consists of three sheets of curling ice, a small locker room (including a single use bathroom), and a licensed lounge (bar) and spectator viewing area on the second floor. To access the locker room and ice surface, one must enter the Fort Smith Recreation Centre through the main entrance and then enter the locker room which is approximately 10 metres from the main entrance (see Appendix A) At the time of this proposal, the Fort Smith Recreation Centre has submitted its plan for use of the Recreation Centre to the Chief Public Health Officer for approval.

Proposal:

The FSCWSC seeks approval of an on-ice recreational plan to start curling on November 1, 2020 for members **without** opening the lounge/spectator area. The ice making process will begin on October 1, 2020 (or upon approval at a later date), in which a small group of volunteers will access the ice area with a key obtained by Recreation Centre management. Access will be limited to ice making volunteers and a FSCWSC volunteer management committee. This volunteer management committee will prepare the ice area and locker room for play prior to November 1, 2020. Modified curling (following requirements and recommendations from the GNWT's Emerging Wisely and [Curling Canada's Manual for Return to Play](#)) will commence on November 1st until April 2nd. Participants are a combination of youth and adults (including family teams). At no time will there be more than 20 people in the rink area at any time.

Physical Distance Controls:

Several measures will be in place to ensure physical distance is kept to a minimum of 2 metres. These include:

- Modified Game Play – by changing the typical game play in the following ways:
 - Teams will be limited to 3 or 4 players.
 - Only three players will participate in each rock thrown: the player delivering the rock, one sweeper, and the person calling the shot from the other end (see figure 1. below)
 - Each player will identify the rocks they will use throughout the game (rocks are numbered 1 to 8) and will not change these throughout the game. Players will not touch other player's rocks throughout the game.
 - For each rock thrown, the sweeper will only sweep the rock between the hog lines. The skip can sweep the rock after it has crossed the far hog line but should wait until it is at least 2 metres past the hog line to stay a proper distance from his/her teammate who is sweeping. (see figure 2. below)
 - The opposing team cannot sweep the opposing teams rocks at any time. The opposing team players must stand off of the ice surface while their opponents are playing a rock.
 - There will be no coin flip but instead players can do rock, paper, scissors (or use a phone app) to determine order of play.
 - Handshakes will not occur pre or post game

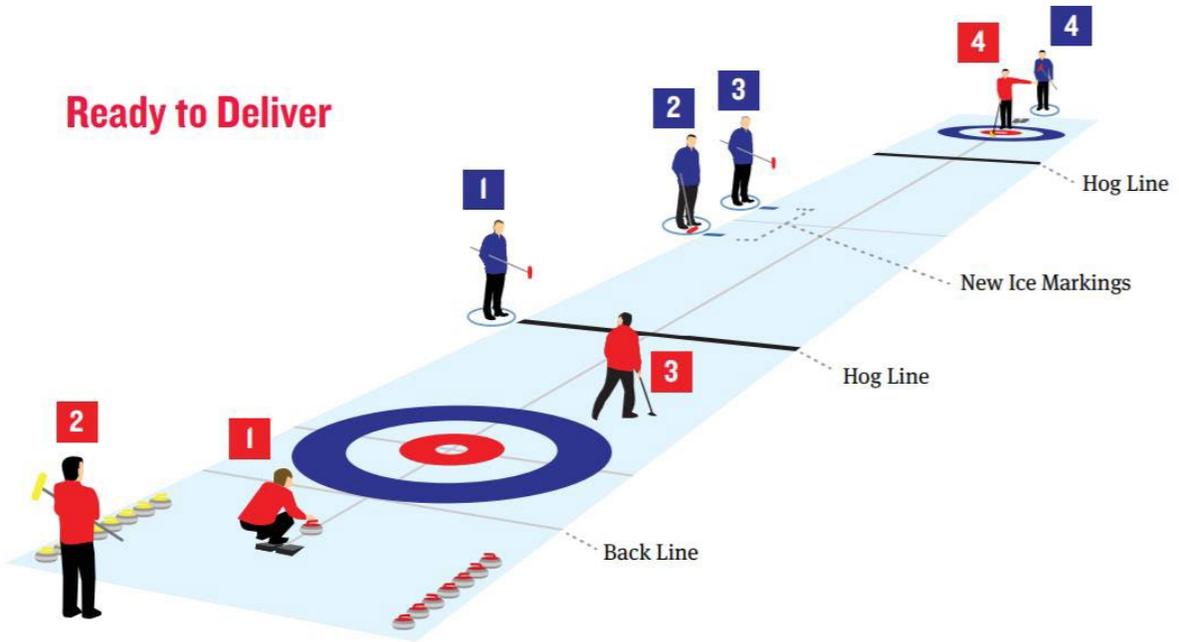


Figure 1. Ready to Deliver



Figure 2. Stone is Delivered

- Ice Surface Setup – by limiting the use of the ice surface in the following ways:
 - Only sheets 1 and 3 will be utilized. Sheet 2 will be left empty (refer to appendix A)
 - Players using sheet 1 before the start of the game and after should use the west end of the space while players using sheet 3 should use the south side of the space.
 - The scoreboard will not be utilized. Players can track score on a cell phone.
 - An area for each of the four teams will be setup on the four sides of the space. Each area will have a table with hand sanitizer, Lysol wipes, extra masks, and three chairs at least 2 metres apart.
 - All club equipment will be stored away from access by players.

- Change Room and Washroom – by reducing/limiting the use of the change room in the following ways:
 - The lockers will not be used during this period. Players are to bring their equipment from home and come dressed to play. The only exception is that players can use the change room to put on their curling shoes and can leave their outdoor footwear in the hallway before entering the change room.
 - There is to be no more than 3 people in the change room at any time. Each person is to put their shoes on and then enter the ice area immediately. Social distancing must be maintained when there is more than one person in the change room .
 - The washroom is a single use washroom. Players who use the washroom will be required to follow recommended hand washing methods with soap and water and use provided hand sanitizer.
 - Coats and other outerwear can be brought into the ice area and stored at their team area.
 - The FSCWSC will not have brooms or sliders available to borrow. It will however sign out brooms and sliders to players for the season.
 - Players will be required to wait outside the change room for their turn to enter. The floor will be marked to ensure proper distancing while waiting their turn.

- Scheduling – by altering the approach to scheduling of play in the following ways:
 - There will be no back to back games on the same evening. Games scheduled after games on the same night will have at least a 15-minute time gap between them to minimize crossover of players from the two time slots.
 - Regularly scheduled games will be on Tuesday and Friday evenings at 6:30pm and 8:30pm with a maximum game length of 1.5 hours.
 - Practice times can be booked individually but are limited to one team per time slot.

- Socialization – by limiting the culture of socialization typical in curling in the following ways:
 - There will be no handshaking however non-contact approaches to sportsmanship such as friendly waves or touching broom heads will be encouraged.
 - There will be no bonspiels or curling events at this time.
 - The lounge/spectator area will remain closed at this time.
 - Players will be required to arrive just before their games and leave immediately after.

- Players must stay at least 2 metres from other players during the game and during team discussions.
- There will be no food or beverage service at this time.
- All meetings and orientations will be via video conference.
- Ice Making/Ice Management – by limiting the number of people involved at any time and their work in the following ways:
 - In most cases one person will be making/maintaining the ice at any time.
 - In cases where there is more than one person working on the ice at the same time they will work in different areas ensuring physical distance from each other.
 - In cases where volunteer ice makers are required to be within 2 metres distance (ex. Working on a piece of equipment that takes two people), they will be required to wear masks and gloves.
 - The Ice maker will typically work on the ice at times different from the players so there is no risk of interacting with players.

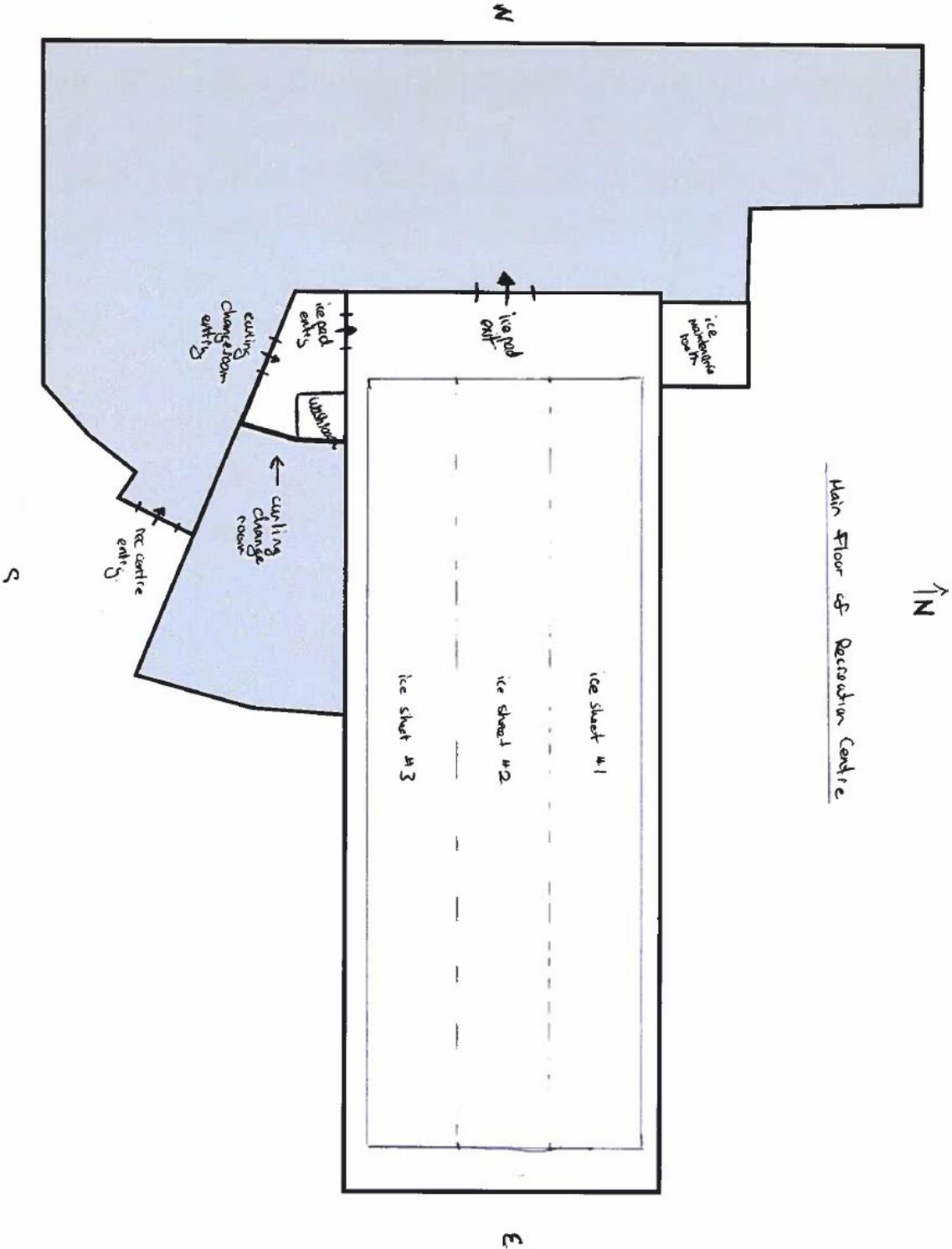
Administrative Controls:

In alignment with Curling Canada Return to Curling Guidelines, NWT Curling Return to Curling Guidelines and requirements of the NWT Public Health Office, the following administrative controls will be in place:

- Waiver – each player will be required to complete and sign a waiver (or assumption of risk for those under the age of majority); See appendices B and C
- Exclusion Policy – the FSCWSC has developed an exclusion policy which precludes athletes, coaches and volunteers from participation and attendance if they are sick, have been exposed to someone with COVID in the past two weeks, have been outside of the NWT in the past two weeks, or have recently had a COVID test. See appendix D
- Modified Play – the FSCWSC has developed a modified approach to game play to ensure physical distance is achievable and to reduce touching of common surfaces.
- Entrance, exit and space use procedures – the FSCWSC has developed procedures to ensure physical distance while entering and exiting the curling ice and locker room. There will be limits to the number of people in the ice surface area and locker room at any time. The lounge/spectator area will remain closed at this time. Entry will be in through the locker room door and out through the double doors into the Recreation Centre.
- Orientation/Training – all volunteers and all players/coaches will be required to participate in an orientation/training session prior to their involvement. These sessions will be completed during the month of October and will be done through a video conference session.
- Registration/Sign Up – involvement will be limited to registered members of the FSCWSC. This process will be done electronically with all payments made through electronic means.
- Sign In/Active Screening – players, coaches and volunteers will be required to sign in at the FSCWSC and complete the active screening questionnaire. See appendix E
- We have completed an Application to Vary from Public Health Order Requirements. See appendix F

Appendix

A.





CURLING CANADA - RELEASE OF LIABILITY, WAIVER OF CLAIMS AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT *to be executed by participants over the Age of Majority*

WARNING! Please read carefully. By signing this document, you will waive certain legal rights – including the right to sue

1. This is a binding legal agreement. **Clarify any questions or concerns before signing.**
2. As a participant in the sport of curling and the activities, programs, classes, services provided and events sponsored or organized by:

Curling Canada

NWT Curling Association

Fort Smith Curling and Winter Sport Centre

including but not limited to: games, tournaments, practices, training, personal training, dry land training, use of strength training and fitness conditioning equipment, machines and facilities, nutritional and dietary programs, orientational or instructional sessions or lessons, aerobic and anaerobic conditioning programs (collectively the "Activities"), the undersigned acknowledges and agrees to the following terms outlined in this agreement:

Disclaimer

3. **Curling Canada**

NWT Curling Association

Fort Smith Curling and Winter Sport Centre

and their respective Directors, Officers, committee members, members, employees, coaches, volunteers, officials, participants, agents, sponsors, owners/operators of the facilities in which the Activities take place, and representatives (collectively the "Organization") are not responsible for any injury, personal injury, damage, property damage, expense, loss of income or loss of any kind suffered by a Participant during, or as a result of, the Activities, caused in any manner whatsoever including, but not limited to, the negligence of the Organization.

I have read and agree to be bound by paragraphs 1 and 2

Description and Acknowledgement of Risks

4. I understand and acknowledge that:
 - a) The Activities have foreseeable and unforeseeable inherent risks, hazards and dangers that no amount of care, caution or expertise can eliminate, including without limitation, the potential for serious bodily injury, permanent disability, paralysis and loss of life. The sport of curling is played on a sheet of ice, which is slippery, hard, and dangerous;
 - b) A pertinent risk to participating in the sport of curling is the risk of suffering serious head injury should I fall, trip, or stumble onto the ground or ice. It is highly recommended that I wear a helmet at all times when participating in the sport of curling;
 - c) The Organization has a difficult task to ensure safety and it is not infallible. The Organization may be unaware of my fitness or abilities, may misjudge weather or environmental conditions, may give incomplete warnings or instructions, and the equipment being used might malfunction; and *COVID-19*
 - d) The novel coronavirus, COVID-19, has been declared a worldwide pandemic by the World Health Organization and COVID-19 is extremely contagious. The Organization has put in place preventative measures to reduce the spread of COVID-19; however, the Organization cannot guarantee that I will not become infected with COVID-19. Further, participating in the Activities could increase my risk of contracting COVID-19.
5. I am participating voluntarily in the Activities. In consideration of my participation, I hereby acknowledge that I am aware of the risks, dangers and hazards associated with or related to the Activities. The risks, dangers and hazards include, but are not limited to:
 - a) Health: executing strenuous and demanding physical techniques, physical exertion, overexertion, stretching, dehydration, fatigue, cardiovascular workouts, rapid movements and stops, lack of fitness or conditioning, traumatic injury, bacterial infections, rashes, and the transmission of communicable diseases, including viruses of all kinds, COVID-19, bacteria, parasites or other organisms or any mutation thereof.
 - b) Premises: defective, dangerous or unsafe condition of the facilities; falls; collisions with objects, walls, equipment or persons; dangerous, unsafe, or irregular conditions on floors, ice, or other surfaces, extreme weather conditions; travel to and from premises.
 - c) Use of Equipment: mechanical failure of the equipment; negligent design or manufacture of the equipment; the provision of or the failure by the Organization to provide any warnings, directions, instructions or guidance as to the use of the equipment; failure to use or operate the equipment within my own ability.
 - d) Contact: contact with brooms, brushes or curling stones, other equipment, vehicles, or other persons, and may lead to serious bodily injury, including but not limited to concussions and/or other brain injury, or serious spinal injury.
 - e) Advice: negligent advice regarding the Activities.
 - f) Ability: Failing to act safely or within my own ability or within designated areas.
 - g) Sport: the game of curling and its inherent risks, including but not limited to, running, sliding or slipping on the ice surface, delivering the curling stone, skipping or sweeping, stepping onto the ice surface from the walkway or onto the walkway from the ice surface, or stepping over dividers that divide one sheet of ice from the next.
 - h) Cyber: privacy breaches, hacking, technology malfunction or damage.
 - i) Conduct: My conduct and conduct of other persons including any physical altercation between participants.
 - j) Travel: Travel to and from the Activities.



- k) Negligence: My negligence and negligence of other persons, including NEGLIGENCE ON THE PART OF THE ORGANIZATION, may increase the risk of damage, loss, personal injury or death. I understand that the Organization may fail to safeguard or protect me from the risks, dangers and hazards of curling programs, some of which are referred to above.

I have read and agree to be bound by paragraphs 3 and 4

Terms

6. In consideration of the Organization allowing me to participate in the Activities, I agree:
- a) That when I practice or train in my own space, I am responsible for my surroundings and the location and equipment that I select;
 - b) That my mental and physical condition is appropriate to participate in the Activities and I assume all risks related to my mental and physical condition;
 - c) To comply with the rules and regulations for participation in the Activities;
 - d) To comply with the rules of the facility or equipment;
 - e) That if I observe an unusual significant hazard or risk, I will remove myself from participation and bring my observations to a representative of the Organization immediately;
 - f) The risks associated with the Activities are increased when I am impaired and I will not to participate if impaired in any way;
 - g) That it is my sole responsibility to assess whether any Activities are too difficult for me. By commencing an Activity, I acknowledge and accept the suitability and conditions of the Activity;
 - h) That I am responsible for my choice of safety or protective equipment and the secure fitting of that equipment;
 - i) *Covid-19*: that COVID-19 is contagious in nature and I may be exposed to, or infected by, COVID-19 and such exposure may result in personal injury, illness, permanent disability, or death.

Release of Liability and Disclaimer

7. In consideration of the Organization allowing me to participate, I agree:
- a) That the sole responsibility for my safety remains with me;
 - b) To ASSUME all risks arising out of, associated with or related to my participation;
 - c) That I am not relying on any oral or written statements made by the Organization or its agents, whether in a brochure or advertisement or in individual conversations, to agree to participate in the Activities;
 - d) To WAIVE any and all claims that I may have now or in the future against the Organization;
 - e) To freely ACCEPT AND FULLY ASSUME all such risks and possibility of personal injury, death, property damage, expense and related loss, including loss of income, resulting from my participation in the Activities;
 - f) To FOREVER RELEASE and INDEMNIFY the Organization from any and all liability for any and all claims, demands, actions, damages (including direct, indirect, special and/or consequential), losses, actions, judgments, and costs (including legal fees) (collectively, the "Claims") which I have or may have in the future, that might arise out of, result from, or relate to my participation in the Activities, even though such Claims may have been caused by any manner whatsoever, including but not limited to, the negligence, gross negligence, negligent rescue, omissions, carelessness, breach of contract and/or breach of any statutory duty of care of the Organization;
 - g) To FOREVER RELEASE AND INDEMNIFY the Organization from any action related to my becoming exposed to or infected by COVID-19 as a result of, or from, any action, omission or negligence of myself or others, including but not limited to the Organization;
 - h) That the Organization is not responsible or liable for any damage to my vehicle, property, or equipment that may occur as a result of the Activities;
 - i) That negligence includes failure on the part of the Organization to take reasonable steps to safeguard or protect me from the risks, dangers and hazards associated with the Activities; and
 - j) This release, waiver and indemnity is intended to be as broad and inclusive as is permitted by law of the Province of Ontario and if any portion thereof is held invalid, the balance shall, notwithstanding, continue in full legal force and effect.

Jurisdiction

8. I agree that in the event that I file a lawsuit against the Organization, I will do so solely in the Province of Ontario and further agree that the substantive law of the Province of Ontario will apply without regard to conflict of law rules.

I have read and agree to be bound by paragraphs 5 to 7

Acknowledgement

9. I acknowledge that I have read and understand this agreement, that I have executed this agreement voluntarily, and that this agreement is to be binding upon myself, my heirs, spouse, children, parents, guardians, next of kin, executors, administrators and legal or personal representatives. I further acknowledge by signing this agreement I have waived my right to maintain a lawsuit against the Organization on the basis of any claims from which I have released herein.

Name of Participant (print)

Signature of Participant

Date



CURLING CANADA - INFORMED CONSENT AND ASSUMPTION OF RISK AGREEMENT *For Participants Under the Age of Majority*

**WARNING! Parent or Guardian, please read carefully.
By signing this document, you will assume certain risks and responsibilities.**

Participant's Name: _____

Participant's Date of Birth (yyyy/mm/dd): _____

1. This is a binding legal agreement. **Clarify any questions or concerns before signing.**
2. As a Participant in the sport of curling and the activities, programs, classes, services provided and events sponsored or organized by:

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(collectively the "Organization"), including but not limited to: games, tournaments, practices, training, personal training, dry land training, use of strength training and fitness conditioning equipment, machines and facilities, nutritional and dietary programs, orientational or instructional sessions or lessons, aerobic and anaerobic conditioning programs (collectively the "Activities"), the undersigned being the Participant and Participant's Parent/Guardian (collectively the "Parties") acknowledges and agrees to the following terms outlined in this agreement:

3. I am the Parent/Guardian of the Participant and have full legal responsibility for the decisions of the Participant.

Description and Acknowledgement of Risks

4. The Parties understand and acknowledge that:
 - a) The Activities have foreseeable and unforeseeable inherent risks, hazards and dangers that no amount of care, caution or expertise can eliminate, including without limitation, the potential for serious bodily injury, permanent disability, paralysis and loss of life. The sport of curling is played on a sheet of ice, which is slippery, hard, and dangerous;
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 - c) The Organization has a difficult task to ensure safety and it is not infallible. The Organization may be unaware of the Participant's fitness or abilities, may misjudge weather or environmental conditions, may give incomplete warnings or instructions, and the equipment being used might malfunction;
 - a) The novel coronavirus, COVID-19, has been declared a worldwide pandemic by the World Health Organization and COVID-19 is extremely contagious. The Organization has put in place preventative measures to reduce the spread of COVID-19; however, the Organization cannot guarantee that the Participant will not become infected with COVID-19. Further, participating in the Activities could increase the Participant's risk of contracting COVID-19.
5. The Participant is participating voluntarily in the Activities. In consideration of that participation, the Parties hereby acknowledge that they are aware of the risks, dangers and hazards and may be exposed to such risks, dangers and hazards. The risks, dangers and hazards include, but are not limited to:
 - a) Health: executing strenuous and demanding physical techniques, physical exertion, overexertion, stretching, dehydration, fatigue, cardiovascular workouts, rapid movements and stops, lack of fitness or conditioning, traumatic injury, bacterial infections, rashes, and the transmission of communicable diseases, including viruses of all kinds, COVID-19, bacteria, parasites or other organisms or any mutation thereof.
 - b) Premises: defective, dangerous or unsafe condition of the facilities; falls; collisions with objects, walls, equipment or persons; dangerous, unsafe, or irregular conditions on floors, ice, or other surfaces, extreme weather conditions; travel to and from premises.



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We have read and agree to be bound by paragraphs 1 - 4

Terms

6. In consideration of the Organization allowing the Participant to participate in the Activities, the Parties agree:
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 - b) That the Participant's mental and physical condition is appropriate to participate in the Activities and the Parties assume all risks related to the Participant's mental and physical condition;
 - c) To comply with the rules and regulations for participation in the Activities;
 - d) To comply with the rules of the facility or equipment;
 - e) That if the Participant observes an unusual significant hazard or risk, the Participant will remove themselves from participation and bring their observations to a representative of the Organization immediately;
 - f) The risks associated with the Activities are increased when the Participant is impaired, and the Participant will not participate if impaired in any way;
 - g) That it is their sole responsibility to assess whether any Activities are too difficult for the Participant. By the Participant commencing an Activity, they acknowledge and accept the suitability and conditions of the Activity;
 - h) That COVID-19 is contagious in nature and the Participant may be exposed to, or infected by, COVID-19 and such exposure may result in personal injury, illness, permanent disability, or death; and,
 - i) That they are responsible for the choice of the Participant's safety or protective equipment and the secure fitting of that equipment.
7. In consideration of the Organization allowing the Participant to participate, the Parties agree:
- a) That the Parties are not relying on any oral or written statements made by the Organization or their agents, whether in brochure or advertisement or in individual conversations, to agree to participate in the Activities;
 - b) That the Organization is not responsible or liable for any damage to the Participant's vehicle, property, or equipment that may occur as a result of the Activities; and
 - c) That this Agreement is intended to be as broad and inclusive as is permitted by law of the Province of Ontario and if any portion thereof is held invalid, the balance shall, notwithstanding, continue in full legal force and effect.

Jurisdiction

8. The Parties agree that in the event that they file a lawsuit against the Organization, they agree to do so solely in the Province of Ontario and they further agree that the substantive law of the Province of Ontario will apply without regard to conflict of law rules.

We have read and agree to be bound by paragraphs 5 to 7

Acknowledgement

9. The Parties acknowledge that they have read this agreement and understand it, that they have executed this agreement voluntarily, and that this Agreement is to be binding upon themselves, their heirs, their spouses, parents, guardians, next of kin, executors, administrators and legal or personal representatives.

Name of Parent or Guardian (print)

Signature of Parent or Guardian

Date



Fort Smith Curling and Winter Sport Centre

Exclusion of Sick Members and Volunteers Policy and Procedures

Policy Statement:

The Fort Smith Curling and Winter Sport Centre (FSCWSC) is committed to providing a safe and healthy environment for its members to enjoy the sport of curling in Fort Smith, Northwest Territories. FSCWSC will take every reasonable precaution to prevent the risk of communicable diseases within the Centre and during its events.

Purpose:

To ensure that all members and volunteers are aware of and adhere to the directives established by NWT Public Health Office, the Town of Fort Smith, and the FSCWSC Board of Directors regarding the exclusion of members and volunteers within the FSCWSC and the Fort Smith Recreation Centre.

Application:

This policy applies to all members and volunteers of the FSCWSC as well as to employees of the Town of Fort Smith and any other persons engaged in normal business with the FSCWSC. The term “member or volunteer” shall include any individual accessing the FSCWSC.

Procedures:

When members or volunteers are ill and/or exhibit COVID-19 related symptoms, persons on the FSCWSC Management Committee will ensure the following:

- Said member or volunteer will not be permitted to enter the FSCWSC or participate in curling.
- If said member or volunteer is under the age of majority, the parent/guardian will be contacted for immediate pick up.
- If it appears that said member or volunteer requires immediate medical attention, 911 will be called.
- If it is suspected that the symptoms are consistent with those of COVID-19, reporting will be consistent with those required by the Chief Public Health Officer of the Northwest Territories.



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When to Exclude:

Members or volunteers must be excluded when

- they have any signs and/or symptoms of COVID-19;
- they have been outside of the Northwest Territories in the past 14 days;
- they live with someone who has been outside of the Northwest Territories in the past 14 days;
- they have been in close contact to a person who is confirmed to have COVID-19 or has COVID-19 symptoms and has had possible exposure to someone with COVID-19 in the past 14 days.

How to Exclude:

A person on the FSCWSC Management Committee will:

- Safely approach said member or volunteer and politely ask them to leave.
- Notify parent/guardian if said member is under the age of majority.
- Conduct an additional cleaning of any areas touched by said member or volunteer wearing PPE.

Returning from Exclusion:

A member or volunteer who has been excluded under this policy can return when:

- They have tested negative for COVID-19; or
- They are symptom free for a minimum of 24 hours; and
- They have not been outside of the Northwest Territories in the past 14 days; and
- Nobody in their household has been outside of the Northwest Territories in the past 14 days

Policy and Procedure Review:

This policy and procedure will be reviewed weekly during the duration of the season for its efficacy. All members and volunteers of the FSCWSC will be required to sign a related COVID-19 declaration asserting their review and understanding of this policy.



DECLARATION OF COMPLIANCE – COVID-19

Individual Name (print): _____

Individual's Parent/Guardian
(if the individual is younger than 18 years old) _____

Email: _____

Telephone: _____

WARNING! ALL INDIVIDUALS ENTERING THE FACILITY AND/OR PARTICIPATING IN SANCTIONED ACTIVITIES MUST COMPLY WITH THIS DECLARATION

Curling Canada, NWT Curling Association, and the Fort Smith Curling and Winter Sport Centre

(collectively the "Organization") require the disclosure of exposure or illness in order to safeguard the health and safety of all participants and limit the further outbreak of COVID-19. This Declaration of Compliance will be kept safely, and personal information will not be disclosed unless as required by law or with your consent.

An individual (or the individual's parent/guardian, if the individual is younger than the age of majority) who is unable to agree to the terms outlined in this document is not permitted to enter the Organization's facilities or participate in the Organization's activities, programs, or services.

I, the undersigned being the individual named above and the individual's parent/guardian (if the individual is younger than the age of majority), hereby acknowledge and agree to the terms outlined in this document:

- 1) The novel coronavirus, COVID-19, has been declared a worldwide pandemic by the World Health Organization and COVID-19 is extremely contagious. The Organization has put in place preventative measures to reduce the spread of COVID-19 and requires all individuals (or their parent/guardian, when applicable) to adhere to the compliance standards described in this document.
- 2) The individual has not been diagnosed with COVID-19; **OR** If the individual was diagnosed with COVID-19, the individual was cleared as noncontagious by provincial or local public health authorities more than 14 days prior to the date this Declaration of Compliance was signed.
- 3) The individual has not been exposed to a person with a confirmed or suspected case of COVID-19; **OR** If the individual was exposed to a person with a confirmed case of COVID-19, the date of exposure was more than 14 days prior to the date this Declaration of Compliance was signed.



- 4) The individual is attending or participating voluntarily and understands the risks associated with COVID-19. The individual (or the individual's parent/guardian, on behalf of the individual (when applicable)) agrees to assume those risks, including but not limited to exposure and being infected.
- 5) The individual has not, nor has anyone in the individual's household, experienced any signs or symptoms of COVID-19 in the last 14 days (including fever, new or worsening cough, fatigue, chills and body aches, respiratory illness, difficulty breathing, nausea, vomiting or diarrhea, pink eye, or loss of taste or smell).
- 6) If the individual experiences, or if anyone in the individual's household experiences, any signs or symptoms of COVID-19 after submitting this Declaration of Compliance, the individual will immediately isolate, notify the Organization, and not attend any of the Organization's facilities, activities, programs or services until at least 14 days have passed since those symptoms were last experienced.
- 7) The individual has not, nor has any member of the individual's household, travelled to, or had a lay-over in any country outside Canada, or in any province outside of the Northwest Territories in the past 14 days. If the individual travels, or if anyone in the individual's household travels, outside of the Northwest Territories after submitting this Declaration of Compliance, the individual will not attend any of the Organization's facilities, activities, programs or services until at least 14 days have passed since the date of return.
- 8) The individual is following recommended guidelines, including but not limited to, practicing physical distancing, trying to maintain separation of six feet from others, adhering to recognized hygiene best practices, and otherwise limiting exposure to COVID-19.
- 9) The individual will follow the safety, physical distancing, and hygiene protocols of the Organization.
- 10) This document will remain in effect until the Organization, per the direction of the provincial government and provincial health officials, determines that the acknowledgements in this Declaration of Compliance are no longer required.
- 11) The Organization may remove the individual from the facility or from participation in the activities, programs or services of the Organization at any time and for any reason if the Organization believes, in its sole discretion, that the individual is no longer in compliance with any of the standards described in this document.

Signature: _____
Individual (If the age of majority)

Date: _____

Signature: _____
Parent/Guardian (if the individual is younger than age of majority)

Date: _____



Application to Vary from Public Health Order Requirements

1. Business/Organization's Name

Fort Smith Curling and Winter Sport Centre

2. Business Type

Recreation Facility

3. Business Address

King St, Fort Smith, NT

4. Name of Primary Contact

Jeffrey O'Keefe

5. Phone Number

867-872-0460

6. Email

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7. Floor Plan (attach visual showing hallways, washrooms, seating arrangements, etc.)

- On floor plan identify traffic flow (see example)

Dimensions of Space

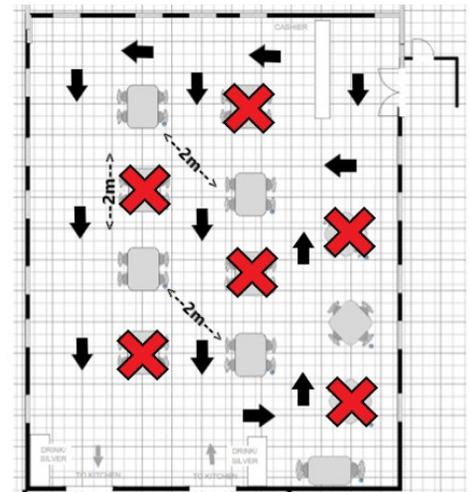
Approximately 812 square metres (50m x 16.25m)

Other spatial details of relevance

Changeroom approximately 30 square metres.

Entrance to changeroom approximately 10m from Rec Centre entrance. Exit from ice rink direct to Rec Centre hallway.

Please note – floor plans can be hand drawn as necessary**





8. Proposed mitigation/adaptation controls

No more than 20 people at any time in the ice rink. No more than 3 people at any time in changeroom.

Separate entrance and exit.

Separate areas for each team inside the ice rink.

Modified game play to maximize physical distance and minimize interaction.

Cleaning of high touch areas and equipment after each rink usage.

Signage regarding traffic flow, physical distancing, and requirements.

Exclusion policy, sign in active screening process, and participation waiver.

Orientation and education before the start of the season.

9. Bathroom procedures (access and use, cleaning schedule etc)

There is a single use bathroom inside the changeroom. The bathroom will be cleaned after each evening of play. The bathroom includes a single sink and toilet. It will be stocked with soap, hand towels and hand sanitizer. Members will be encouraged to wipe down the bathroom after each use.

10. Additional Information (if required)

The Fort Smith Curling and Winter Sport Centre is only open for use by club members. Each member will be required to participate in an orientation session. While the FSCWSC normally would have the lounge open for members, its use is not part of this proposal at this time. This proposal is also dependent on the approval for the opening of the Fort Smith Recreation Centre.

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Floor Plan

