

Message to Our Members

This Returning to Play in Green Plan was developed in accordance with New Brunswick's [Path to Green](#). In [Phase 3](#), the mandatory order is ended and all restrictions are lifted.

To All Fellow TSA Members,

Curling last year was to say the least an interesting season with booking curling times, and curling in your bubble, oh yes, and some league play between COVID phases.

COVID-19 did take a toll on membership as expected, but thanks to the hard work of the TSA COVID team, a plan was put together and TSA was a safe place.

But enough about the past.... Moving forward the COVID team has been hard at work coming up with a GREEN plan. Yes, in the green phase restrictions are next to none and there are fewer rules, BUT we want to reassure membership that TSA is still taking everyone's safety and concerns seriously.

I want to thank the COVID TEAM of Charlene Copeland, Iain Sinclair and Steve Thompson for their hard work on creating the GREEN plan.

So here is our GREEN plangive it a read. I think you will see WE ARE BACK and ready to have a great season of curling and rest assured we want everyone to feel safe and be safe at TSA.

Charlie Gray,
Chair of the TSA COVID-19 Committee

Return to Play Guidelines and Procedures

- ***When you register through Curling I/O please review the waiver.***
- Members are required to provide **government-approved proof of full vaccination or of medical exemption to the Club Manager prior to the start of league play.**
- If you feel unwell, please stay home. ***You are encouraged to [request a COVID test](#) if you have any symptoms.***
- Upon arrival at the club, review the pre-screening poster and sanitize your hands.
- Mask wearing is optional for those who are fully vaccinated. It is **strongly encouraged** for those who are medically exempt from vaccination, and **mandatory** for children under the age of 12. Mask wearing is **not required** when curling, and when sitting and eating / drinking.
- Physical distancing is no longer mandatory in indoor public spaces, but you are encouraged to continue this practice whenever possible. To this end, distancing discs will be kept in the ice and in the line-up area for the bar.
- Locker rooms will only be open to those who have rented a locker (bonspiels excepted). **Everyone MUST wear masks while in the locker rooms** as social distancing is a challenge and ventilation is poor.
- The coat room is open.
- If you are on the first shift, proceed to the main floor lounge and your designated tables to wait for your games.
- If you are on the second shift, proceed to the 2nd floor to get ready.
- Use both stairwells and enter the ice shed from either door.
- All 5 sheets will be used, and we will all start from the same end.
- Two tables will be pushed together for each sheet. This will provide some spacing while still enabling socializing.

- Coin toss to determine last rock advantage will only be executed if curler has OWN COIN. Otherwise, use a non-contact method such as “ROCK, PAPER, SCISSORS” or even/odds with a stopwatch (you get the idea).
- There were very few colds last year – let’s keep that trend going by continuing to tap brooms or bumping fists with gloved hands, rather than shaking bare hands.
- All regular curling rules apply including two sweepers are allowed and the Skip can sweep!
- Visitors, who are non-members, are not allowed into the building during Adult League play due to logistics of managing proof of vaccination. One parent can accompany a junior curler during adult league play.. Parents must show **government-approved proof of full vaccination or of medical exemption**. Chairs by the big windows will be spaced 3 feet apart. Please respect social distancing.
- Spectators for Little Rocks & Juniors are welcome with **government-approved proof of full vaccination or of medical exemption**.
- Plexiglass will remain in front of the bar.
- The popcorn machine will be unplugged for another season.
- Please continue to book practice time at tsaplays.ca
- If there is a known case of COVID at the club, we will follow public health’s recommendations fully.
- We will re-employ the successful [Yellow Phase practices](#) that were in place last season should the Province revert to yellow at any point during the season. These will be modified if the Province changes Yellow Phase requirements.

Return to Play Guidelines and Procedures for Learn to Curl, Special Events, Tournaments & Bonspiels

1. TSA follows Curling Canada’s guidelines for special events, tournaments, and bonspiels. These guidelines require **government-approved proof of full vaccination or of medical exemption for all players 12 and up, volunteers and spectators**.
2. As above, **all players must sign the waiver** (or informed consent if player is under 18). TSA will keep the signed waivers on file.
3. Everyone must wear a mask when in the house and in locker rooms. Once you are sitting or curling, you may remove your mask.
4. Organizers should consider staggered starts for games if possible.
5. Organizers should encourage participants and spectators to distance as much as possible.
6. Organizers should ensure registrants understand that the event may not go ahead depending on provincial guidelines. For example, if the province goes to yellow, out of province players may not be allowed.
7. Organizers are welcome to implement further restrictions as you see fit.