

NHCC: Frequently Asked (Covid) Questions

We've had lots of questions since our 2020 opening; here are some answers for you!



Pre- and Post- Game:

I want to support the club! May I eat at the cafe before my game?

Yes! There is limited seating upstairs by the windows (south side) designated for eating before you play. We ask that you do not go to your designated changing area until 15 minutes prior to your game.

I'm thirsty! May we stay after our game?

Yes! First, take your equipment out to your vehicle. Then make your way up to the lounge where you will have a designated table (indicated by sheet number and rock colour). Maximum 6 people to a table.

How early can I arrive at the club before my game?

Please only arrive 15 minutes prior to your start time. If you plan to eat at the cafeteria before your game, you may (see the first question above).

Without change rooms, where am I to put my things?

You may leave your shoes at your designated changing area. You are welcome to hang your coats located just outside of the changerooms - hangers are being sanitized twice daily. Please bring all personal items onto the ice with you.

Where do I go when I enter the club?

First, head right to the boot boy to clean your outdoor shoes. Then, have a look at the board which will indicate which change area you are assigned to. From there, proceed to your designated change area, while following the red arrows on the ground.

Are spectators allowed?

As part of our COVID-19 Protocols, the majority of the tables upstairs in our lounge are assigned for curlers to use after their game. Because of this, there is limited seating available for spectators. While we do allow (and appreciate!) spectators, there may not be space available. Upon arrival, please head upstairs to our lounge and look for tables without a reservation marker on them - spectators may sit here. Spectators may also join a team at their table **however** AHS rules limit seating to 6 (six) per table.

ALL SPECTATORS MUST COMPLETE OUR GUEST COVID SCREENING SURVEY [HERE](#).

What if I don't have equipment?

We have rental equipment available. The cost is \$5/time or \$50 for the season per item. Please find one of our ice staff members before your game and they will be able to get the required equipment for you. They are typically in black North Hill Curling Club jackets. Fees may be paid in the office or at the cafe.

Practice Ice – May I book some?

You sure can! Contact the office to book your practice ice with us. If you are not a regular curler at our club, you must complete our Guest Covid Screening Survey [here](#).

Game Time:

May I sweep the opponents' rock after the T-line?

No. There is one designated sweeper per shot and they cannot sweep the opponents' rock. This is put in place to not contaminate the opponents' rocks. Skips cannot sweep, ever!

If I am not sweeping, where should I be standing?

There are designated spots to stand when you are not throwing or sweeping - look for the green Steamwhistle circles near the hog line. For a visual on where to stand while playing, please watch the video made by the Calgary Curling Club.

May I sweep my teammate's rock before our hog line?

Yes. You may start sweeping your teammate's rock as soon as they release it.

May I follow my teammate while they sweep to time rocks, judge weight, etc?

Yes, if you maintain a minimum 2 metres away and remain upright. Please do not lean over to shout encouragement or share info. *Keep those droplets away from your teammate!*

Do backend players (skips, thirds) have to wear masks?

While we highly recommend that the backend wear masks, it is not required. Please maintain physical distancing.

What is the buzzer rule and can I play 7 ends?

The buzzer will go 90 minutes after your start time. Once the buzzer goes, as always, you are to finish the end you are playing (you do NOT play the next end). For the purpose of the buzzer rule, the previous end is considered over when the final stone has left the hand of the delivering player. If you curl fast and start on time, there is a good chance you will get in 7 ends.

Submitting your scores:

Where do I put the final score of the game?

For evening leagues, please submit your scores online at <https://www.northhillcurlingclub.ca/scores>. For rental leagues, please contact your coordinator.