

# **CANTON RECREATION PAVILION**

## **COVID-19 Opening and Safety Plan**

### **2020/21 Ice Skating Season**

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This document was developed to provide the Canton community and Pavilion staff and patrons information and recommendations related to the reopening of the Canton Recreational Pavilion for the 2020/2021 ice skating season. These guidelines were developed based upon recommendations by NY State Department of Health, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, USA Figure Skating, USA Hockey and the US Ice Rink Association. Guidance and knowledge regarding COVID-19 is constantly changing; the Canton Recreation Committee and Department are closely monitoring policy changes, guidelines, mandates and public health advancements and will continue to make changes to our protocols and procedures as necessary.

#### **OVERVIEW & GENERAL APPROACH**

##### **EMPLOYEE & PATRON HEALTH**

The health and safety of our employees and patrons is our number one priority. The following protocols will be in place during the 2020/2021 ice skating season.

Employees and patrons are instructed to stay home if they do not feel well. Any patron or employee who has tested positive for or has come into contact with an individual who has tested positive for COVID-19 will be denied entrance to the Canton Recreational Pavilion for 14 days or until negative test results can be provided, before being permitted to enter the premises. The privacy of our staff and patrons is paramount and will be protected at all times.

**Face Masks:** The use of face coverings by all patrons, coaches and staff will be mandatory. Patrons must provide their own masks. Skaters and coaches may only remove masks if they have full plastic or plexiglass shields on their helmets.

**Check-in and Health Screening:** Prior to entering the Canton Recreational Pavilion all participants, coaches and staff will check in and undergo COVID-19 specific health screenings, to include thermal scanning of temperature, and complete a check-in log. Any patron displaying a temperature over 100.4°F will not be allowed entry and will be directed to seek medical care.

**Physical Distancing:** Patrons and employees will be required to practice physical distancing by standing at least six feet away from other people not traveling with them while moving around the facility, putting on and taking off skates, etc. Tables, chairs, and other physical layouts will be arranged to ensure appropriate distancing.

**Hand Sanitizer:** Hand sanitizer dispensers will be placed at the entrance and exit, in the lobby, and in other trafficked areas.

## **BUILDING USE PROTOCOLS**

**Capacity:** Capacity shall not exceed current NYS limits for non-essential gathering. This includes participants, coaches and parents. Current maximum capacity is 50.

**Entry and Exit of Facility:** All participants must enter through the front door adjacent to the parking lot, via the check-in and screening station, and exit through the doors near their assigned sides of the rink.

**Locker Rooms and Dressing:** All locker rooms will remain closed and locked. Skaters must arrive at the rink dressed, except for skates and other last-minute attire that can be readied without the need for locker room access. Skates should be put on just inside the rink using the benches or bleacher space provided. Upon completion of a program/practice, all skaters will exit the ice through their assigned doors, and remain safely distance while removing skates before leaving.

**Community Room and Bleachers:** All public spaces will remain closed. A small portion of bleachers will be cordoned off for putting on and taking off skates.

**Restrooms:** Only the rest rooms off the lobby will be open.

**Outside Food & Beverage:** For the duration of the 2020/2021 ice skating season the Canton Pavilion concession will be closed. No food or beverage is to be brought into the facility, with the exception of water in personal water bottles (water fountains will be turned off). Any other food or beverage found on the premises will be immediately disposed of and the patron will be asked to leave.

**Non-Participants:** Only participants, coaches, limited off-ice volunteers and staff will be allowed to enter the building. Live-stream video is available for anyone wishing to observe.

**Health and Hygiene Reminders:** Signage will be posted throughout the facility reminding employees and patrons of all health and hygiene requirements and protocols.

## **EMPLOYEE RESPONSIBILITIES**

**Hygiene and Hand Washing:** Correct hygiene and frequent handwashing with soap are vital to help combat the spread of COVID-19. All employees have been instructed to wash their hands, or use sanitizer when a sink is not available, every 60 minutes (for 20 seconds) and after any of the following activities: using the restroom, sneezing, touching the face, blowing the nose, cleaning, sweeping, mopping, eating, drinking, entering and leaving the rink floor, going on break, and before or after starting a shift.

**COVID-19 Training:** All employees have received training on COVID-19 safety and sanitation protocols.

**Personal Protective Equipment (PPE):** Appropriate PPE – masks and gloves - will be worn by all employees in adherence to state or local regulations and guidance.

## **CLEANING PROTOCOLS**

**Public Spaces and Common Areas:** The frequency of cleaning and sanitizing has been increased in all public spaces with an emphasis on contact surfaces including, but not limited to front desk, counters, door handles, restrooms, room keys and locks, tables, equipment, and seating areas.

**Rest Rooms:** Only the rest rooms adjacent to the lobby will be available for public use. Frequency of cleaning and sanitizing will be increased; cleaning log will be maintained in each rest room.

**Mechanical rooms and other areas restricted to employee access only:** All items will be cleaned and disposed of according to CDC and OSHA regulations. Shared tools and equipment will be sanitized before, during, and after each shift or anytime the equipment is transferred to a new employee. This includes phones, radios, computers and other communication devices, payment terminals, cleaning equipment, keys and all other direct contact items used throughout the rink.

In the event that Canton Central Schools are closed – or go to full virtual learning – the Village and the Recreation Committee will consult the County Health Department, school, and any pertinent additional guidance to determine when closing the rink will be necessary.

Questions about these guidelines should be directed to the Village Superintendent, rink staff, or any member of the Recreation Committee.