

KMHA Update - Sept 10th

We have received another update from the City of Kamloops and here is a breakdown of what it says.

- The arena is opening up dressing rooms, but there are occupancy limits and the numbers are currently set at 9 participants per room, however we will have 2 dressing rooms per group available. NO shower facilities available and we are requiring that **players still come dressed other than skates and helmets.**
- Door arrival time will be 10 minutes prior to your ice time. Doors will remain locked in between ice times, and if you leave the building you will not be let back in. This is where we will need parental assistance for each group. In order to get more kids on the ice we have decreased the time between each ice session to 15 minutes. We can do this because we are using large blocks of ice. As we do not have the manpower or the available financial resources to hire someone to man the doors throughout all the ice times, we need your help. More details about this job to come, however we can tell you it will require no extra time on your part, other than you need to attend your child's ice time. It is also **essential** in getting your kids on the ice, so if you are willing to assist, please email kmahicescheduling@gmail.com to submit your name.
- Occupancy limits for each arena is still 50 people, however we can put more than 20 on the ice at one time. KMHA Board will discuss how we will manage these numbers with players vs spectators.
- Benches are not considered part of the field of play, and therefore we have limited numbers available to be on the bench, and because of this, ice use numbers and bench use numbers do not match up. This essentially means no game play, until this number gets lifted. We do not have a timeline of when this might happen, as it is ViaSport that determines the area of play.
- Physical distancing must be maintained at all times off the ice. As you are coming into the building, in the dressing rooms, hallways etc you must remain 2 meters apart. The only exception is for the players on the ice.
- **ABSOLUTELY NO SPITTING ANYWHERE IN THE FACILITY OR ON THE ICE.** Anyone caught doing so will be removed immediately.
- **KMHA is in dire need of coaches at the Recreation level. Without coaches we will not be able to proceed with hockey. If you are interested please apply through the KMHA website and someone will be in contact with you.**

Finally, KMHA thanks you for your patience as we try to navigate this difficult situation. We anticipate hearing from the City of Kamloops next week about the potential of any other arenas opening. We will update you as more information comes available.

Thank you, KMHA