UPDATED St. Jacobs Arena
Safety Info for Participants/Spectators

The Township of Woolwich is pleased to have opened our arenas safely and we are continually adjusting to keep within the guidelines set out by the Region of Waterloo Public Health and the Ontario Government. As you know, this has not been a normal return to the ice season we were all hoping for but with everyone's help in following the Covid-19 safety procedures it has allowed us to all to enjoy activities in a safe manner. Here is what to expect as of Nov 9th (changes to procedures highlighted below).

- Entrance for ice usage will be through the main entrance off the parking lot. All participants/spectators will be provided access into the facility 10 minutes prior to their scheduled ice time (exception for goalies who will be let in 15 minutes prior to their schedules ice time). We ask that you stay in vehicles and do not congregate in parking lots until this time.
- As per the Region of Waterloo Mask Bylaw every person inside the facility must wear a face covering.
- Hand sanitizer will be provided at the entrance and must be used prior to entering the facility by all participants and spectators.
- Upon arrival, and before entering the facility the permit holder/group designate or team official for minor hockey groups will be met by a Township of Woolwich Safety Ambassador who will check in, document and screen them. Once this is complete the permit holder/designate or team official for minor hockey groups will check in, document and screen the rest of the participants and spectators and keep records for Waterloo Public Health contract tracing should it be needed. If you are feeling ill or answer YES to any of the Covid Passive Screening questions posted on the doors, please do not enter the facility.
- One parent/guardian per participant (up to a maximum of 25) will be permitted into the facility as a spectator and to accompany/assist with equipment for children (under 18 years) who need it. If no assistance is required for equipment we would encourage drop off and pick up at the doors. If a guardian arrives with an additional sibling, the sibling is allowed to enter with the guardian; once the participant is ready for their activity, the guardian and sibling are required to leave.
- Once inside the facility, participants will follow the floor markings and signage to dressing rooms. Be sure to abide by the max capacity numbers indicated on the outside of each dressing room door.
- Dressing rooms capacities will vary based on Public Health recommendations. Participants must arrive at the arena fully dressed, as the dressing rooms will only be available for limited time. Goaltenders will be allowed to put their equipment on at the

facility, but at a minimum should arrive with their under gear on. Parent/guardian will be permitted to enter the dressing rooms for participants that require assistance **as long as maximum capacities** are observed. Masks must be worn by everyone in the dressing rooms.

- Spectators will follow floor markings and signage to the left and go directly to the St. Jacobs Arena stands. No exiting and re-entries will be allowed during the ice time. At the conclusion of the ice time spectators will exit the building the same way they entered. Spectators are required to maintain 2 metre physical distancing from all other spectators.
- The lobby will NOT be available for viewing at this time so please dress for an arena setting!
- There will be no warm ups or dryland training allowed in the facility.
- A maximum of 25 participants will be permitted per ice time. This includes coaches, instructors, helpers, refs, etc…
- Participants must arrive at the arena fully dressed, as the dressing rooms will only be available for limited time. Goaltenders will be allowed to put most of their equipment on at the facility, but at a minimum should arrive with their under gear on. Parent/guardian will be permitted to enter the dressing rooms for participants that require assistance. Masks must be worn by everyone in the dressing rooms.
- Participants must ensure physical distancing in dressing room, on ice and on benches.
- Face coverings will be required in all areas of the facility including the dressing rooms up until you put your helmet on immediately before you are to enter the ice surface.
- Participants will only be allowed out of the dressing room once the Olympia has left the ice surface. Participants will enter and exit ice surface at closest door to dressing room.
- Face coverings must immediately be put back on at the conclusion of your ice time when you are in the dressing room. Participants must vacate the dressing room within 10 mins of the end of their ice time. This timeline will be strictly enforced and groups that do not adhere to this could possibly lose their remaining ice times on their permit.
- Showers will be not be available at this time.
- An open door policy will be in effect for all dressing rooms. Please do not bring valuables into the arena.
- Lobby washrooms will be available for participants and spectators.
- Participants will exit the arena the same way they entered, following the floor markings and signage.
- There will be adequate staff on duty during all rentals. Staff will ensure that adequate cleaning and sanitizing is done on a regular basis. All dressing rooms will be cleaned and sanitized before groups enter them.