



Memorandum # 4

To: Petawawa Civic Centre Clients
From: Kelly Williams, Director of Community Services
Date: Tuesday December 21, 2021.
Subject: **Latest changes to COVID Protocols at the Petawawa Civic Centre Arena.**

Amendments to O.Reg 364/20 Rules For Areas At Step 3 And At The Roadmap Exit Step, commencing **December 19th, 2021 at 12:01 am** include the following changes that have been added to the existing COVID-19 operational protocols at the Petawawa Civic Centre:

- A 50% capacity limit has been imposed to all areas used for sports and recreational fitness activities including meeting and event spaces, change rooms/ dressing rooms, spectator gallery and washroom facilities. Masks must be worn by all facility users at all times.
- Change room/ dressing room use will revert back to Stage 3 procedures in order to accommodate the 50% capacity rule. Players/ coaches must exit change rooms no later than 20 minutes following their permitted ice time to allow for cleaning and sanitization by Town staff. Access to the facility should occur no earlier than 30 minutes prior to your permitted time.
- Food and drink service is prohibited at sporting events. As such, the Petawawa Civic Centre canteen will be closed until further notice. Additionally, sporting event spectators are prohibited from bringing food and/or drink into the facility.
- A number of restrictions have been imposed on the meeting and event spaces in the Petawawa Civic Centre (Hall, Fundraising Lounge, Committee Room) including capacity limits, seating limits, food and beverage restrictions, dancing restrictions and hours of operation limits. Should you have interest in renting meeting and event space at the Petawawa Civic Centre, please contact the Community Services Department for further information and assistance with your event.
- Commencing **December 20th, 2021** - All youth aged 12 to 17 participating in organized sports at recreation facilities will be required to provide proof of vaccination (or proof of medical exemption) along with ID.
- Commencing **January 4th, 2022** – enhanced vaccine certificates with a QR code, either digitally or paper copy, will only be accepted as proof of vaccination where required.

I would like to remind all facility users that Petawawa, the County of Renfrew and the rest of the Province of Ontario remain in the fourth wave of the COVID-19 pandemic. Ontario's current pandemic statistics as they relate to the latest COVID-19 variant (Omicron) are currently not very favorable. It is now more than ever important that we not lose sight of the realities of the pandemic. Our adherence to pandemic safety practices and protocols are still critical to our exit of the pandemic. All other facility protocols established prior to December 19, 2021 remain in effect. Vaccine screening, COVID screening and contact tracing will continue as required by Provincial regulations.

I would again like to thank all PCC Arena users for their cooperation, patience and assistance during this tasking and very challenging period of the COVID-19 pandemic. Should you have any questions or concerns regarding COVID protocols at the Petawawa Civic Centre, please reach out to your Community Services representative.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Williams".

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