



Archery Manitoba Return to Sport Protocol

As Manitoba continues with a loosening of public health restrictions, we will experience gradual re-openings of our province in a phased approach. Sport plays a critical role in the mental and physical health recovery of Manitobans and will contribute to the community's economic revival. Archery Manitoba and its partners (Archery Canada & Sport Manitoba) want to help our members and partners deliver the best possible degree safe practice through adapted rules for our sport to continue fulfilling our joint responsibility to keep the number of new Covid-19 virus infections at a level that is manageable for our health system.

When regulations allow, it will be important for clubs and partners to be prepared to reopen and have measures in place that will ensure safety first and a plan to re-engage with new and existing members. It cannot be emphasized enough that clubs and partners should go through a risk assessment process in planning for the safety of their athletes, coaches, and the public in general.

How to Use the Resource Guide

This resource guide is intended to help clubs/archery ranges think through how they might deliver archery programming and range access as restrictions begin to be lifted. This is supplemental to the recommendations and guidance provided for your specific jurisdiction, including municipal and provincial/territorial guidelines and requirements. It has been broken down into the following considerations:

- I. Outdoor Archery Range Operations**
- II. Archer Etiquette and Best Practices**
- III. Volunteer and Staff Considerations**
- IV. Communications**

I.

Archery Range Operations

Range Access Where possible, a pre-registration system should be utilized for contact tracing and to reserve access to the range/club site to ensure the number of people on the range at any time is not greater than the current public guidelines.

Indoor Range access shall be limited to a minimum number of individuals needed to complete essential tasks such as sanitization, sign in, safety officer, coaches, officials, participants, and guardians.

Covid-19 screening must be done by all individuals entering an indoor range including any volunteers, coaches, guardians, participants and officials.

Range access must be controlled at an access point and limited to only those who have pre-registered or accompanying a registrant and are deemed low risk by not outwardly showing any signs or symptoms of Covid-19 and have not been out of the province or country in the last 14 days. It is recommended that the temperature of each individual entering the range be taken and anyone who is 38 degrees Celsius or above be asked to seek medical advice and be disallowed.

The Manitoba COVID-19 Screening Tool can be accessed at:

<https://sharedhealthmb.ca/covid19/screening-tool/>

All visitors to an indoor range must submit a signed DECLARATION OF COMPLIANCE – COVID-19, available at the link below:

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1J_K0cnJrG4s2wX_HofDS1PCCTHfpPas4/view?usp=sharing

Any guest participant (nonmember of Archery Manitoba) must sign an adult or youth waiver if participating in an indoor archery activity. Waivers can be accessed at the link below:

https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1d4xiFvuBr2_Ogrlp6O-oUMAoZVijpt2t?usp=sharing

Spectators are permitted to be on site at outdoor ranges. Social distancing of two (2) meters distance between other spectators not in their household is strongly recommended.

Spectators are permitted to be on site at indoor ranges. Social distancing of two (2) meters distance between other spectators not in their household is mandatory. Spectators and athletes are not permitted to mingle or physically interact between the spectator areas and the field of play while the event is underway.

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Range Capacity

Current Public Health Orders Related to Sport and Recreation

The full order can be accessed at:

https://manitoba.ca/asset_library/en/proactive/20212022/orders-soe-09022021.pdf

1(1) A gathering may take place at indoor premises if the number of persons at the gathering does not exceed 50 persons or 50% of the capacity of the premises, whichever is greater. All persons are prohibited from assembling in a gathering that exceeds this limit.

A gathering may take place at an outdoor location if the number of persons at the gathering does not exceed the lesser of

a) 1,500 persons if the gathering takes place before September 7, 2021, or 500 persons if the gathering takes place on or after that date; or

(b) 50% of the capacity of the location where the gathering takes place or 150 persons, whichever is greater.

Sporting and recreational activities

ORDER 13

13(1) Subject to subsection (2), outdoor sporting and recreational facilities may open.

13(2) Except for ticketed sporting events under Order 16, the operator of an outdoor sporting or recreational facility must ensure that the number of spectators at the facility does not exceed 50% of the usual spectator capacity of the facility.

ORDER 14

14(1) Indoor sporting and recreational facilities, including dance schools and martial arts studios, must not operate unless admission of members of the public to the facility is restricted to the following

(a) persons who produce proof that they are fully immunized;

(b) persons who produce proof from the Government of Manitoba that there is a medical reason for the person not to receive a vaccine for COVID-19;

(c) persons under 18 years of age.

14(2) For certainty, subsection (1) applies to spectators who are watching sporting or recreational activities at the facility

14(3) Subsection (1) applies when gymnasiums and other indoor sporting facilities at a public or independent school are used for sporting activities that are not part of school sanctioned events

Signage

Place appropriate signage outside the range/clubhouse and at all entry gates briefly outlining the physical distancing guidelines in place.

Post signage for proper hand hygiene in a visible place at the entry to the range.

[see Shared Health Manitoba's Poster Resource Page at <https://sharedhealthmb.ca/covid19/providers/posters/>]

Place appropriate range etiquette signage related to physical distancing along the range shooting line. [see example from Archery Canada]

Cleaning/Hygiene

Hand sanitizer is available at entrances and exits for public and staff use.

Washrooms have frequent sanitization and a regime for business sanitization is in place.

Outdoors: Non-medical masks must be worn during registration, equipment inspection, during scoring and at any time as directed by an official on the field of play.,



Indoors: Non-medical masks must be worn by all persons on site, at all times, with the exception of the athletes while on the active shooting line.,

Public use items, such as bow racks and water fountains, are closed or removed.

Range Supervision

If the range schedules a designated Range Safety Officer to be on the range, that individual should have the authority to control the number of archers, physical distancing, and etiquette and ensure safe behavior. During periods of low use, when no range safety officer is present, additional signage, outlining Covid-19 safety procedures should be in place.

Range Set-up

Limit the number of people who will set up and take down targets when required. Encourage the use of personal protection (e.g. masks) or follow local regulations as appropriate.

Range Shooting Procedures

For 3D and Field Courses:

Limit no more than Four (4) archers per target that are not from the same household. Waiting lines as outlined in AC 23.7.2. will be enforced with a minimum distance back from the next target of 6m. Waiting lines shall be defined by marking paint or a stake in the ground. Groups shall not proceed to the target until the previous group has cleared the target outlined in AC 27.9.4.

Any child under the age of 12 will need to be accompanied by a guardian 18 years or older at all times on 3D and field courses. This guardian will be counted as a member of the shooting group even though they are not participating.

Limit to no more than four (4) archers per target, with clearly marked waiting areas. If adequate space cannot be accommodated for a waiting area, only 1 archer per target. This will require clear



directions and clearly marked staging positions for Archer Preparation and Archer Waiting locations and the placement of equipment racks if in use. [See range layout diagram].

Classes/Lessons

Programs and Lessons can resume with participant group sized no more than 50% of facility capacity or a maximum of 50 people.

Unless club bows and arrows can be sanitized without damaging their integrity, club equipment should not be shared at this time. Personal equipment such as releases, finger tabs and arm guards must belong to the participant.

II. Archer Etiquette and Best Practices

Respect and Physical distancing

Archers are to recognize that others on the range may have different levels of comfort and therefore should be treated with respect, given appropriate physical distance and should exercise patience at all times.

Do not loiter in the parking lot or clubhouse/shelter before or after shooting.

Hygiene

All range users must disinfect hands upon arrival at the range.

Archery Equipment

Archers should be encouraged to use only their own personal equipment if possible. All equipment should be wiped down with disinfectant wipes before being placed on stands or range counters. Clubs should consider the removal of communal bow stands/racks or ensure that these are wiped down between uses.

Scoring

Archers are to score their target only and avoid double scoring or other such interactions at the target. Archers will pull their own arrows after scoring, and where possible avoid touching the target butt/animal or shared faces. The archers should disinfect their hands after each interaction on a shared butt.

Stay home and let others play safely

Archers who are not feeling well, exhibit flu-like symptoms or know they have been in contact with someone who has been sick should exercise appropriate isolation.

Coaching

Coaches should ensure there is sufficient room behind the line for the coach to travel between archers while still keeping their





distance. Bow racks, tables, etc. will need to be kept behind the transition line to allow enough room for coaching.

Class Instructors

Instructors should disinfect target butt surface and handle target faces before and after the class or event. Class or event organization should ensure that instructors are keeping their distance and using video and demonstration instead of direct intervention with the archer in any way.

Volunteer and Staff Considerations

Education

Educate range staff, volunteers and Directors on hygiene, sanitation physical distancing and its impact of preventing the spread of communicable diseases

Educate staff to recognize the symptoms of COVID-19 in each other and your members.

Ensure employees and volunteers are aware of the club measures in place, set up requirements and signage to ensure these are being followed

Stay home and let others play safely

Employees and members who feel unwell should stay home and exercise appropriate isolation. Employers should support employees, volunteers and members to stay home if they are sick.

Virtual meetings

Conduct meetings by phone or online whenever possible.

Communications

Communicate with volunteers, staff and club directors

Maintain ongoing communication with employees and volunteers to let them know the steps your club is taking to support the efforts to slow transmission of this virus and what is expected of them to ensure a safe and enjoyable sport experience for the members

Communicate with club members and public

Maintain ongoing communication with members to let them know the steps your club is taking to support the efforts to slow transmission of this virus. Use email, your club website and social media, and post signage at your place of business.

Update your website and phone messages

Make sure your phone message and your website provide appropriate information, or where to find appropriate information about the club's operations while enhanced measures are in place.

At all times, and most importantly follow the official guidelines published within your jurisdiction (City, Province, Territory) and ensure that you plan accordingly.

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Appendices

- Range Layout
- Hand Hygiene
- Physical distancing on the line

Safety First (a message that measures are in place on the range)