

Kinross Curling Safe Curling Framework Version 5

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Introduction

Our aim is to operate as safely and normally as possible, in line with the current Scottish government and Scottish Curling guidelines, while also being aware that some members may still be apprehensive about returning to normal.

The current Scottish government information on coronavirus can be read at <https://www.gov.scot/coronavirus-covid-19>

This document has been produced following version 11 of the Scottish Curling Return to Curling Guidelines issued on 12th August 2021. The latest version can be found at <https://www.scottishcurling.org/covid-19>.

If you have any comments or queries on KCT's approach, please contact our Rink Covid Officer (RCO) Angela Wilcox on office@kinrosscurling.co.uk.

The Requirements

1. Face Masks

You must still wear a face mask when moving around the building unless you are exempt for medical reasons. You do not need to wear it on the ice, when seated or standing in the bar, or when changing your shoes.

2. Test & Protect

Curlers should not come to the rink if they, or anyone in their household, have symptoms of, or have been diagnosed with, the virus, or if they have been asked to self-isolate.

If a Curler is contacted by Test & Protect, they should provide all the details requested and comply with any guidance given. They should inform their Club Covid Officer or the Rink Covid Officer of the contact, which will be recorded in the log, but without any personal detail.

We are required to collect and record the contact details of people who visit our venue. We must collect the details of each person even if they are from the same household.

We will do this in the following ways:

- We have registered with Check In Scotland and will have the QR code available throughout the building so that curlers can check in using their phone. The QR code can be scanned from the Check In app or by using the camera.
- There will be paper registers for completing for those who cannot, or do not wish to, use their phone.
- Club Covid Officers (CCOs) will keep a record of when their club members are curling. If your club does not have a CCO, or you are curling outwith your club, then you must check in with your phone or by filling in the register.
- If you use the bar, then you must check in using your phone or by filling in the register. Club Covid Officers cannot know who uses the bar.

3. Changing Areas

You should arrive already dressed for curling so that all you need to do is change your shoes.

4. Club Covid Officers

All clubs should appoint a Club Covid Officer, or CCO. These will work together with the Rink Covid Officer, or RCO, to ensure that we comply with the Test & Protect requirements.

What this Means in Practice

1. Access to the building

You will be able to access the building in the same way you did before Covid. The door will not be locked during sessions and you will not be required to leave straight after your session.

You should get into the habit of checking in when you arrive so that we can comply with the Test & Protect requirements. The only time you do not need to check in is if you are curling for your club and your club has a covid officer who will be keeping a record of club games.

You are required to wear a face mask when you are moving around the building.

We will no longer require you to follow a one way system. Both sets of stairs will be available for use, and we just ask that you take your time and give other users space on the stairs and in doorways.

2. On the Ice

There is no longer any requirement for social distancing, and there are no limits on numbers, so this means that curling can return to how it was before covid.

You do not need to wear a face mask while curling but you must put it back on when leaving the ice.

The scoreboards can be used, and scorecards will be available. Sanitising products will be available in the rink for curlers to use before and during games.

Points and pairs will be allowed, but please discuss your requirements with the icemen if you wish to run back to back sessions so that they can plan their ice prep work.

The second bell will be retained in a similar format since this gives the icemen time to prepare the ice before the next session, so that all sessions should have good ice.

- There will be a bell at 1 hour 45 minutes. Any ends already in play will be allowed to continue but no new ends may be started.
- A second bell will ring at 2 hours. At this point any stone already in play will be allowed to finish. Then, if one team has then played more stones than the other team one more stone may be delivered so that both teams have played the same number of stones. No more stones may be delivered and the score for the final end is recorded at this point.

3. In the Bar

The bar will be open, and clubs will be able to pre-order food for bonspiels or other events. The menu will be limited due to staffing constraints.

You may remove your face mask while in the bar but must put it back on when you leave,

You will be allowed to come and go during the day and can watch curling from the bar.

4. Changing Rooms

You can use the changing rooms. There will also be a shoe changing area upstairs in the extension area of the bar for anyone who does not feel comfortable using the changing rooms.

You should come dressed for curling so that all you need to do is change your shoes.

The changing rooms and the bar area are ventilated continuously by fans extracting the air from these areas to outside the building.

5. Payment

You will be able to pay for your games at the rink and cash will be accepted, although the preferred method of payment for both curling and the bar is by card, contactless if possible.

6. Cleaning

The building will be cleaned and fogged once a day, with higher risk areas, such as tables and handrails, being cleaned more regularly. Sanitising products will be available for you to use.

7. Notice Boards

The notice boards will be available for clubs to use again.

Club Covid Officer Responsibilities

The CCO is the link between the rink and the clubs. Their job is to ensure that they understand the guidelines so that they can keep their clubs informed should any of the guideline change.

- The CCO should provide their name, email address, mobile number, and club name to the RCO.
- The CCO should maintain a record of who has curled for their club in the last 3 weeks so they can quickly provide this information if requested by either Test & Protect or the RCO. This should include the curlers names, email addresses and contact numbers, dates and sessions played and sheet numbers.
- If contacted by Test & Protect they should provide the details requested and comply with any guidance given. They should also inform the RCO of the contact without giving out any personal information about the curler concerned.
- If one of their club members tells them that they have been contacted by Test & Protect, they should ask their permission to share this with the rink, and if given inform the RCO without passing on any personal information about the curler involved.

Rink Covid Officer Responsibilities

Angela Wilcox is the RCO and is the main contact person at the rink for Test & Protect. Susan Salmoni is the deputy rink covid officer. Together they will:

- maintain a list of CCOs.
- provide the details requested and comply with any guidance given if contacted directly by Test & Protect.
- maintain a log of any known contacts.
- keep the Board up to date
- update all Covid documents and procedures and re-issue as appropriate