



IMPORTANT COVID-19 NOTICE

Government Guidelines for Pools

The City of Steinbach wants to ensure public safety and caution at this time. All users of the Steinbach Aquatic Centre are strongly encouraged to follow and stay up-to-date on the Province of Manitoba Covid-19 Pandemic Guidelines and Regulations to ensure safe and preventative practices.

Patrons at higher risk of serious illness may consider waiting to return to these facilities.

GENERAL FACILITY REGULATIONS

FACILITY ENTRANCE

- Limit occupancy to 25% of available space
- Masks must be worn at all times except when participating in water activities
- Face masks are not worn while in the water
- Social distancing must be established in entrance areas and lobbies
- Screening all patrons for symptoms and exposures
- Staff and clients stay home when ill with COVID-19 symptoms
- Staff and clients use the online self-screening tool before attending the facility
 - <https://sharedhealthmb.ca/covid19/screening-tool/>
- Using a booking system to reserve a block of time
 - using contactless/cashless forms of payment
- Encourage individuals to change and shower at home
- Using staggered entry times
- Closing saunas and steam rooms and only opening hot tubs if they can comply with bather load restrictions and physical distancing requirements of one person per two square metres
- Not offering towel services
- Consider an exit from the facility separate from the entrance

- Any seating is set up to maintain a minimum two metres of separation between people

LOCKER ROOMS

- Restrict the number of people in locker rooms to 50% capacity
 - Encourage individuals to change and shower at home to limit use of locker area
 - Post signage for guidance on shower area use to maintain physical distancing
 - Ensure enhanced and frequent cleaning and disinfection of locker rooms by staff
- Allow sufficient time between activities to clean the pool deck and locker rooms, paying particular attention to frequently-touched areas including, such things as railings, door handles, washroom doors and shower stalls.

POOL INSTRUCTION EQUIPMENT (Lessons)

- Personal instructional equipment should be provided by the participants (e.g. goggles)

Resources

Public/Private Swimming Pools, Splash Parks, Spas, Fitness Clubs, Gyms and Training Facilities (Effective June 1)

<https://manitoba.ca/covid19/restoring/phase-two.html - collapse12>

Public Health Factsheet – Guidance for Recreational Water Facilities