

Grand River Bridge Club (GRBC) Covid-19 Health and Safety Protocols

June 19, 2022

All attendees:

- must be fully vaccinated and provide that proof on his/her first visit to the club.
- must not attend the club if they answer yes to any of the pre-screening questions in our GRBC Safety Plan.
- must notify the club if diagnosed with Covid-19 and may have been at the club while contagious.
- A face mask is optional
- must hand sanitize upon entry and wash hands once before starting to play. There will be hand sanitizer at all tables which we encourage our players to use frequently.

GRBC will be following all Public Health requirements and recommendations that are applicable to us.

GRBC will ensure:

- Any disinfectants that we use and that our contracted cleaning company uses, will be approved by Health Canada for efficacy against human corona viruses which includes Covid-19.
- Disinfecting wipes will be available for attendees to sanitize items of personal concern.
- Weekly cleaning by a professional cleaning company.
- Our playing tables will be spaced minimum 4 metre centres.
- The board sets will be rotated so that no set is re-used for at least five (5) days, a length which exceeds the latency period of the coronavirus.
- We run high quality portable air cleaners that filter at better than Hepa standard (99.97% at 0.1 microns).

Covid-19 Safety Plan-GRBC

Players will use the following processes to ensure we do so in a safe manner.

PRIOR to arrival at the bridge club

1. All persons wishing to attend should pre-screen prior to arrival answering the following questions:
 - a) Are you currently experiencing one or more of the symptoms below that are new or worsening? Symptoms should not be chronic or related to other causes or conditions.
 1. Fever (37.8C/100F or higher) and/or chills?
 2. Cough (not related to asthma, COPD, or other known causes)?
 3. Shortness of breath?
 4. Decrease or loss of smell or taste?
 5. For Adults>18 years-Fatigue. Lethargy, malaise and /or muscle aches/joint pain?
 6. For Children<18 years-Nausea, vomiting and/or diarrhea?
 - b) In the last 14 days, have you travelled outside of Canada?
 - c) Has a doctor, health care provider, or public health unit told you that you should currently be isolating (staying at Home)?
 - d) In the last 14 days, have you been identified as a “close contact” of someone who currently has COVID-19?
 - e) In the last 10 days, have you tested positive on a rapid antigen test or a home-based self-testing kit? If you have since tested negative on a lab-based PCR test, select “No.”
 - f) In the last 10 days, have you received a COVID Alert exposure notification on your cell phone? If you have since tested negative on a lab-based PCR test, select "No."
 - g) Is anyone you live with currently experiencing any new COVID-19 symptoms and/or waiting for test results after experiencing symptoms?
2. After pre-screening at home, any person answering ‘yes’ to one of the above questions should not attend.
3. Ensure you have proof of vaccination and photo ID with you, on your first visit to the bridge club, so that the membership list can be updated to note you are vaccinated.
4. Coffee, tea, water and soft drinks are now available at the bridge club. If you wish a snack, please bring with you.

ARRIVAL at the bridge club

1. All persons attending the bridge club must show proof of full vaccination, with photo identification, having received their final dose of the vaccine at

least 14 days prior to coming to the bridge club. Proof of vaccination will be scanned using the Verify Ontario app.

2. Furthermore, all participants will be required to confirm on arrival that they have successfully pre-screened.
3. Face masks are optional.
4. Players should then go to the game director's desk, to confirm themselves present, pay for the game (preferably using a convenience card or by paying with a debit card, using the Square device). Other methods of payment will be accepted but the two options listed previously are preferred.

CLEANING and DISINFECTION

Hand Sanitizer

1. Hand sanitizer will be provided for use upon entry, in the washrooms and at each table.

2. Hands should be washed and sanitized prior to play of the initial round. Sanitizer should be used prior to playing each round.

3. Each player is responsible to sanitize their hand more frequently if they deem necessary. They may, if they wish, use latex gloves (self-supplied).

Disinfectant wipes (Clorox) and disposal containers

1. Available at or near tables.

FACILITY SET-UP

1. Tables will be distanced and spaced four metres (12 feet) apart (centre to centre) to assist in maintaining distance between players. East player will wipe down the table and arm chairs, prior to play.
 - a. A West player will wipe down any knobs or handles (using laminated list) that are touched during that day's play, at the end of the session.

Bidding boxes

Each player will sanitize a bidding box at the start of each game.

1. After completion of the final round each bidding box will be wiped down and returned to the bidding box container.

Bridgemates

1. Only one person (either North or South) will touch the bridgemate, unless a Howell movement.
2. After a score has been entered the score should be shown to a player from East/West and after verbally concurred, the player handling the bridgemate should enter the acceptance.

Board Sets

The club has many sets of duplicate boards.

1. The board sets will be rotated so that no set is re-used for at least five (5) days, a length which exceeds the latency period of the coronavirus.

Cards

1. The cards are normally contained within the duplicate boards, except during play. It is not feasible to prevent players from handling cards, however, at the player's option, latex gloves (supplied) by the player) may be used to avoid contacting the cards.
2. The rotation of the board sets, as outlined above, will also protect the cards in that the rotation cycle exceeds the latency period of the coronavirus.

REFRESHMENTS and SNACKS

1. Coffee, tea, water and soft drinks are now available at the club and can be drank at the bridge table.

COMMUNICATION/Signage

1. The screening questions will be prominently displayed at the entrance.
2. Signage at entrance, noting Fully Vaccinated Requirement.
3. Our Safety Plan and our Covid Health and Safety Protocols will be posted on our website.

Contact Tracing

1. A procedure has been written to follow in the event contact tracing is required.
2. Using ACBL Live, the list of players at that game, with the players telephone numbers will be provided to Public Health staff to contact, once the club is made aware of the need for contact tracing.

Safety Plan Updates

1. The Safety Plan will be updated as required to conform to changes to Public Health changes as these become known.