

BLCC Covid-19 Safety Plan Player Rules

General Requirements for All Who Agree to Curl:

- All players agree to abide by all rules or requirements put in place by the BLCC or Lakeside, as set forth in this document. These rules may be modified at discretion of the BLCC Board as required by changes in the Covid safety requirements of Lakeside, the City of New York, or any other rules or guidance impacting our ability to curl. Any new rules will be presented to each player participating in the league.
- Each player must fill out a Declaration of Compliance for BLCC and Lakeside before starting the league.
- A Covid waiver for both Lakeside and BLCC (in addition to the standard curling waiver) will need to be signed by all members.
- Masks covering the nose and mouth (no gaiters or masks with valves) must be worn at all times on and off the ice (BLCC will provide a 3-ply cotton mask as part of league signup and will maintain a supply of disposable masks for those who forget).
- Social distancing of six feet must be observed at all times, on and off the ice.
- Members must stay home if feeling at all unwell.
- A member who tests positive must immediately inform the league if they have attended a league night within the past two weeks. All contact tracing requests should go through hammer@brooklyncurling.org.
- A member who tests positive is required to stay away from the venue and club activities for at least two weeks and will not be able to return until a negative test can be furnished. There will be no refunds for events not attended due to a positive test.
- League nights will be limited to 5 sheets, 4-person teams, 40 persons total per league session but attendance may be reduced to 3 sheets, 4-person teams, 24 persons total per league. If BLCC is required by Lakeside or any other governmental requirements to do anything fewer than 3 sheets, the Board will meet to discuss the economic feasibility.
- BLCC, at the board's discretion, may stop the season at any time: due to outbreak (in-club, in-Lakeside, local or state); if new guidelines from the venue or any level of government:
 - prevent us from curling; or if
 - Such new rules require us to curl with fewer than 24 persons per session.
 - Eliminate or significantly reduce the required additional time needed for setup as needed to observe the safe practices and procedures outlined in this document.
- BLCC session coordinators (Wednesday Coordinator and Sunday Coordinator) will be responsible for compliance, but members are encouraged to self-govern in person and report concerns to club officials.

Setup/Cleanup Guidelines (we are asking for an additional 15 minutes for setup)

- Before each league session, BLCC session coordinators will assign two people to the following tasks:
 - stone cleaning & setup
 - hack cleaning & setup
 - broom cleaning
 - scoreboard cleaning & setup
 - pebbling
- Maximum of two people in the storeroom and hallway at a time, maintaining social distancing.
- Cleaning of all equipment (pebble cans, brooms, hacks, scoreboards, stones) before & after every use (paper towels, wipes and alcohol spray will be provided by BLCC).
- Setup for play will be on sheets on all 5 sheets with game play starting on alternating sheets - 1, 3 & 5 start going toward far end and with 2 & 4 starting at the far end.
- Hack setup and stone arrangement will take place simultaneously on opposite ends of each sheet, with the stones on sheet three set up on the far side of the rink.
- Stone handles should be sanitized with wipes after being set up on their sheets.
- Same persons assigned for setup will then repeat same tasks for teardown and wipe down of equipment.

Arrival Guidelines

- All shall arrive dressed for game play but for shoes.
- Persons shall time their arrival for no more than 20 minutes before the scheduled start time, unless requested to come early for setup.
- Use of the warm room shall be limited to 8 people at a time to change shoes and store personal items while maintaining social distancing.
- All players must initial the sign-in sheet before playing each night so we can use this information for contact trace purposes, if needed.
- Hands should be sanitized before going on the ice for league play (sanitizer to be provided by BLCC).

Game Play Guidelines

- By using alternating the starting position, we will be able to maintain sufficient social distancing.
- Masks covering the nose and mouth (no gaiters or masks with valves) must be worn at all times.
- Goggles or shields are an additional safeguard for play but are not a replacement for a properly worn mask.
- Gloves must be worn by all curlers. If these gloves are not single-use, curlers must wash between sessions.
- All persons are strongly encouraged to bring their own equipment: Brooms, stabilizers, shoes and grippers. That said, BLCC will continue to maintain the Club's equipment for use by all with sanitizing of the brooms, scoreboards, grippers, & sliders as part of the setup at the start of and cleanup after each session.
- Persons not actively engaging in assigned setup tasks will stay clear of the ice until ready for gameplay.
- Persons not actively engaging in assigned takedown tasks will leave the ice once game play is over, after having moved their sheets' stones to a common area by the Zamboni entrance.
- No handshakes, elbow taps, or other physical contact (but do say "Good Curling!").
- Use own coin or coin flip app to determine hammer.
- Stones are clearly numbered 1-8 and marked with sheet number. Each curler will use & handle only their designated stones based on throwing order (*i.e.* - lead throws 1 and 2, etc.).
- Social distancing of six feet must be observed at all times on the ice.
- Only one player may sweep each stone. Sweepers may sweep alternate shots but may not join or take over during each shot.
- Non-sweeping team member will position at the red line and may assist by timing throw and judging weight only. If timing throws, player must have own stopwatch.
- Sweepers will position themselves between the T-Line and front of house at the beginning of the shot.
- Only 1 sweeper at a time. The player not sweeping, throwing or skipping must stay behind the throwing house.
- Players must stand in designated areas when not throwing, sweeping or skipping. The winner of the coin flip picks both the color of the stones they will throw with and to which side their team will stand. At all times, players will maintain social distancing.
- Only 1 skip is allowed in the house at a time. The skip not directing a shot must stay fully behind the house until the stone comes to rest.
- Skips will not sweep at all. Non-throwing team skip must stand along the line delineated by the front of the hack, but may position themselves anywhere along that line, such as behind the opposing skip.
- There will be no sweeping behind the T-line. The designated sweeper on the throwing team may sweep the running shot up to the T-line or any of their own stones in front of the T-line that have been struck.
- One person per sheet will be designated to keep score and only that person may touch the scoring tiles.