



COVID-19 Warwick Update Update 12 – July 24, 2020

Reopening Several Park Amenities for Public Use

In alignment with Phase 3 of Ontario's Framework for Reopening the Province, the Township of Warwick will be reopening additional park amenities for public use.

While park amenities reopen, health measures and precautions remain critical to stop the spread of COVID-19 in the community. This includes physical distancing, and limiting the size of gatherings of no more than 50 people indoors and 100 people outdoors, keeping at least two metres away from others outside of their direct household.

The following recreation facilities are open as of July 24, 2020:

Playgrounds and Play Structures – Watford and Warwick Ball Parks: Residents are reminded that playgrounds are unsupervised and amenities are not sanitized. Playground users should wash or sanitize their hands after using the play structures.

Outdoor baseball diamonds: Team sports and leagues may resume with physical distancing measures in effect except when playing a team sport. *Please see more information on Team Sports below.* To schedule a ball diamond, contact Theresa Klachan, Manager Parks and Recreation at tklachan@warwicktownship.ca.

The following facilities will be open August 4, 2020:

Halls: Centennial Hall, Watford Community Arena Hall, Warwick Community Hall

The halls will be open with restrictions requiring physical distancing, no food/beverage in August and an indoor gathering limit of 50 people.

All rentals must submit a Plan outlining how they are respecting public health rules for COVID-19 to be approved by the Municipality, sign COVID-19 Waivers, complete Self-Screening Questionnaires and complete "tracing" (who was there, when they were there, contact information).

Other Information:

The Watford Community Arena is under review: As ice is not currently in at the Watford Community Arena and historically ice making and rentals would take place mid to late August, arena operations are under review. Gathering limits do not apply to rinks.

Teams Sports:

- Prolonged or deliberate contact while playing is not permitted.
- Amateur and recreational sport leagues may resume so long as they do not allow prolonged or deliberate physical contact between players.
- Leagues must contain no more than 50 participants total. If participants in a league exceed 50, the league may divide into smaller groups of no more than 50. Players are not yet permitted to play against players outside of their league or group.
- Spectators at all sporting events, including professional sports, will be subject to gathering limits and physical distancing measures, with assigned seating where possible.

Assumption of Risk: By visiting any parks and publicly accessible spaces you voluntarily assume all risk, including any risk of injury, loss, damage and possible exposure to a communicable disease such as COVID-19.

For more information on Township operations during Stage 3, visit the COVID-19 Information Hub at www.warwicktownship.ca.