

# Whistler Olympic Park Venue Access Guidelines

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## Purpose

This document provides direction regarding COVID-19 operational updates to stakeholders and users of the biathlon range, trail network, building(s), storage containers, and equipment, while ensuring the health and safety of visitors and staff.

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## Scope

Whistler Sport Legacies (WSL) will continue to follow the direction of Provincial Health Orders. Venue Access Guidelines apply to all sport user groups and individuals training on venue. This document aligns with the WSL communicable disease response plan, and is in addition to existing WSL sport user group policies. This document is subject to updates in accordance with ViaSport guidelines or Provincial Health Orders.

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## Policy

### 1. Booking:

- 1.1 Group training requires approval prior to accessing the biathlon range and/or trail network. Groups and individuals must have a range reservation to access the biathlon range.
- 1.2 In accordance with ViaSport Return to Sport Guidelines, effective July 1, Sport Organizations are no longer required to have a COVID-19 Safety Plan; however, sport organizations are encouraged to have a communicable disease response plan. WSL may request to see plans prior to venue access.
- 1.3 For general COVID-19 venue information visit: <https://www.whistlersportlegacies.com/whistler-olympic-park/covid-19-response-whistler-olympic-park>

### 2. Important Precautions:

- 2.1 When the venue is open to the public, all guests must present a season pass or purchase a day tickets at the gate. For shoulder season activities, we will outline expectations for gate access. Those who do not hold a season pass may be required to complete a waiver.
- 2.2 Stay home if you are ill or have been asked to isolate by a health officer or other official.
- 2.3 Practice good hygiene. Wash hands when arriving on venue and regularly throughout the day. Clean shared equipment before or after use. Report to venue staff if disinfecting supplies are getting low.
- 2.4 **Masks:** Masks are required in indoor public spaces, indoor meeting spaces, or when requested by a WSL staff member.
- 2.5 **Physical Distancing:** Physical distancing is no longer required on or off the field of play, however recommended whenever possible.
- 2.6 **Proof of Vaccination:** Proof of vaccination is NOT required for venue access (washrooms, rentals, retail, Guest Services) and/or outdoor activities. Proof of vaccination is required for indoor seated dining at the day lodge café, and for some events/programs. Organizers of programs and events are responsible for checking proof of vaccination for relevant participants, supervisors, and spectators in compliance with the current PHO Order ([PHO order — Gatherings and Events \(PDF, 422KB\)](#) as of October 25, 2021).
- 2.7 **Transport Vehicles:** Masks are mandatory inside WSL vehicles carrying members of the general public, e.g. shuttle busses or patrol vehicles.
- 2.8 **Cleaning:** Whistler Sport Legacies has returned to normal cleaning and disinfecting practices. Supplies WSL venues will maintain include:
  - Soap in washing areas
  - Disinfectant and paper towel or wipes available in common spaces
  - Hand sanitizer at designated areas

### 3. Indoor Spaces:

- 3.1 **Public Access** to Cross Country and Biathlon buildings is restricted to washrooms only, unless

otherwise directed. Washroom access is adjacent to the Biathlon parking lot on the lower level of the flex space, or at the rear of the Cross-Country technical building. Additional washrooms and day lodge amenities are available for public access during winter operating hours, November to April. Day lodge amenities include café, guest services, rentals, retail, and patrol/first aid. Please do not use the day lodge as a place to congregate before/after programs.

**3.2 Organized Gatherings:** Flex spaces can be booked for meetings and workshops for a fee. Per section 2.4, masks must be worn. Organizers must have their own event management plan in compliance with the current. Per section 2.6, organizers of programs and events are responsible for checking proof of vaccination for relevant participants, supervisors, and spectators in compliance with the current PHO Order ([PHO order — Gatherings and Events \(PDF, 422KB\)](#) as of October 25, 2021).

**3.3 Capacity:** Organized gatherings have some capacity restrictions. Examples of an organized gathering include meetings, workshops, weddings, team training sessions, competitions, etc.

- For indoor, seated, non-sport specific events over 50 people, 100% capacity is permitted with proof of vaccination. 50% capacity is permitted without proof of vaccination.
- There is no maximum group size for sport specific activities in the flex space, e.g. dryland training, indoor workouts, etc.
- A capacity limit of 50 people applies if a flex space is used for non-sport specific activities, e.g. lunch breaks, meetings, workshops, presentations.

#### 4. Roller Skiing, Cross-Country Skiing, & Biathlon – General Guidelines:

**4.1 Outdoor sports, as per ViaSport Phase 3 guidelines:**

- There is **no maximum group size** for participants, coaches, volunteers, staff and officials
- **Physical distance** does not need to be maintained on or off the field of play, but should still be maintained whenever possible.
- **Masks** are not required on or off the field of play. However, the venue requires masks in indoor public spaces and masks are required in common areas of sport and fitness facilities when not engaged in physical activity.

**4.2 Biathlon Range Access:**

- Range hours are 9:45 – 12:45 and 1:00 – 4:00 Sunday through Friday, and 9:15-11:15 / 11:30-1:30 / 1:45 – 4:00 on Saturdays.
- WSL range preparations completed by staff will include: painting, grooming, snow clearing, wind flags, and one rifle rack per lane. WSL will post lane bookings on the bulletin board mid-range.
- Club coaches are responsible for setting up paper targets and mats. Paper targets are stored in the bunker; mats remain in the last sea can by the bunker. Masks are required in these spaces.
- WSL has a limited quantity of mats for guest use. Mats in the mat sea can are for sport group and individual athlete use. Disinfect mats after use. If mats cannot be disinfected, e.g. spray solution is frozen or mats are iced over. Extra disinfectant is stored in the bunker or mat sea can. Use mats at your own discretion or bring yoga mats, camping mats, blankets, etc. as back-up. Return mats to the sea can after cleaning.
- Sanitize hands upon raising and lowering the red/green range flag. Sanitize hands before and after handling target control boxes or other shred equipment. Use the “auto re-set” setting (directions on box) or designate one person to handle re-sets.