



WELLAND RE-OPENS FACILITIES AND EXPANDS RECREATION & CULTURE SERVICES

Welland, ON - The City of Welland is re-opening more facilities and expanding services that keep people active, social, and connected to their city. The following facilities will offer modified or expanded services:

Welland Farmers' Market

- Will expand to include both buildings, and outside vendors on Aug. 29, 2020
- Farmers' Market hours will remain 8:00 a.m. to noon on Saturday mornings
- Patrons are reminded to practice physical distancing and wear face coverings

Welland Community Wellness Complex (WCWC)

- Will open on Aug. 31, 2020, for modified programs and services
- A new online version of the Wellness Guide will launch Aug. 28, with online registration beginning on Sept. 3
- The city's program roster will grow in 2021 as more programs will become available with the winter program session
- Members are reminded to practice physical distancing and wear face coverings

City of Welland Main Arena

- will open its doors to user groups on Sept. 8, 2020
- The arena will have strict public safety Return to Play protocols in place to help lessen the spread of COVID-19 and create a recreational space where participants feel comfortable and safe
- Recreation and Culture Ambassadors will be on-site to perform temperature screenings at the facility entrance and assist with hand sanitization and Return to Play procedures
- Spectators are not permitted in the arena due to provincial guidelines allowing a maximum of 50 people indoors; however, one parent or caregiver per child is allowed to enter with the child during registered ice-time
- Everyone entering the facility, from age five and up, must wear a face covering when not on the ice

"We're confident that our Return to Play procedures will create an environment where people feel protected and can enjoy themselves," said Richard Dalton, Manager of Recreation and Culture. "It will be great to have our members back at WCWC, expansion at the Market, and also see people having a good time out on the ice in the coming weeks."

For more information on Welland Recovery, Moving Beyond COVID-19, visit www.welland.ca.

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