

## **COVID-19 Assumption of Risk, Release of Liability, Waiver of Claims, Assumption of Risks, Indemnity & Permission Form**

**WARNING: BY SIGNING THIS DOCUMENT  
YOU WILL WAIVE CERTAIN LEGAL RIGHTS,  
INCLUDING YOUR RIGHT TO SUE  
PLEASE READ CAREFULLY!**

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The Province of British Columbia has listed out the four-step BC ReStart Plan which includes the Province's focus on protecting people and safely getting back to a more normal life. The City of Maple Ridge has been closely following the public health orders since early 2020 and developing safety plans in accordance to provincial regulations and sector association guidelines.

COVID-19 remains a worldwide pandemic and a threat to our local health and safety.

We cannot be certain that a person (of any age) will not contract COVID-19, or any variant thereof, at one of our facilities and/or while participating in one of our programs, but we have taken the steps required to develop our COVID-19 Safety Plan, which is available for your review at <https://www.mapleridge.ca/1468>. We have also developed COVID-19 policies and procedures, which are available for your review here <https://www.mapleridge.ca/1468>. We have implemented our COVID-19 Safety Plan and will be applying our policies and procedures, but **the risk remains that a COVID-19 outbreak could occur despite our best efforts.**

It is vital that no person who feels sick in any way visit any of our facilities and/or utilize any of our services. It is also vital that no person bring a child to any of our facilities if the child is feeling unwell or showing any symptoms of illness.

For our camps and other programs for children, we will be enforcing physical distancing and/or careful social contact amongst the children to the best of our ability. We will be reducing the number of children in each program compared to our standard practices. We will emphasize hygiene and provide for handwashing as children begin and end their days in our programs. However, it is vital that children be permitted to play and engage with their peers. Most or all activities will take place outdoors. If your preference is solely for outdoor activity, please select a program for your child that provides the same.

It is vital that any person who believes that they may have become ill or their child may have become ill within 14 days of visiting one of our facilities and/or while taking part in one of our programs report this immediately to

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us by contacting Children’s Recreation Department 604-466-4339 and seek appropriate medical attention by first calling 8-1-1. We will share personal information for the purposes of contact tracing if the need arises. To attend our facilities and/or take part in our programs and/or send a child to same, you must consent to the same.

Please do not allow your child to participate in any of our activities or programs if your child has:

- experienced cold or flu-like symptoms within the last 14 days;
- been in close contact with anyone else who has had these symptoms in the last 14 days; or
- been in close contact with anyone else who has travelled outside of Canada in the last 14 days.

Please note: If your child is displaying symptoms of respiratory distress or illness, they will be asked not to participate.

Further, note that your child’s participation in City programming, including camps, is conditional upon your agreement to the terms contained in this Form.

Lastly, it is vital that we all be calm and compassionate throughout this pandemic. Any person who exhibits any aggression towards our staff or any other person in one of our facilities and/or programs will be asked to leave and not return.

If you would like more information regarding the risks associated with COVID-19 for children, please review the following BC CDC publications:

[COVID-19 Public Health Guidance for K-12 School Settings](#)

[COVID-19 Public Health Guidance for Child Care Settings](#)

I/we have read, understand and agree to this Form.	INITIAL HERE
I/we accept that use of the City’s facilities or participating in City programs could result in our child developing COVID-19, or a variant thereof, and that our child may further infect others including my/ourselves, and am/are willingly accepting those risks.	INITIAL HERE
I/we have reviewed this Form with my/our child and have instructed our child to listen to and follow the instructions provided.	INITIAL HERE
I/we give on behalf of myself/ourselves a <b>FULL RELEASE AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY AND ALL CLAIMS to the City</b> from any and all liability for any personal injury, death, loss, damage or expense of any kind that I/we may suffer as a result of my/our child’s participation in the City’s activities and programs resulting in my/our child contracting SARS-CoV-2 or developing COVID-19 , or a variant thereof,, including but not limited to NEGLIGENCE, GROSS NEGLIGENCE, BREACH OF CONTRACT, BREACH OF ANY STATUTORY DUTY, or DUTY OF CARE ON THE PART OF	INITIAL HERE

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THE CITY AND ALSO INCLUDING THE FAILURE ON THE PART OF THE CITY TO SAFEGUARD OR PROTECT MY/OUR CHILD FROM THE RISKS, DANGERS AND HAZARDS REFERRED TO ABOVE.	
I AGREE NOT TO SUE and I further agree to INDEMNIFY AND SAVE HARMLESS the CITY from all expenses, fees liability and damage award or cost of any type whatsoever resulting from my/our child's participation in the City's programs or use of the City's facilities after having contracted COVID-19 , or a variant thereof.	INITIAL HERE

Signed this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2022.

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Name of Child	)	
_____	)	_____
Name of Parent or Guardian (please print)	)	Witness Name
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Signature of Parent or Guardian	)	Witness Signature
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