

Norman Wells Recreation Reopening Plan Emerging Wisely Relaxation Phase 1: First Steps

This plan outlines the Town's reopening of recreation facilities and green spaces. It has been developed in accordance with the guidelines and phases put in place by the Government of the Northwest Territories (GNWT) Emerging Wisely Plan. We ask all users and community members to adhere to these guidelines and measures to eliminate the spread of Covid-19.

Fitness Centre - Opening Date: June 8th, 2020

The fitness centre will operate with limited hours and service during Phase 1.

- It will be open 3 days a week:

Monday 5pm-9pmWednesday 1pm-5pmFriday 5pm-9pm

- There will be no more than 5 members at a time in the fitness centre.
- It will be on a first come, first serve basis, no booking of appointments or holding spots will be allowed.
- Members are asked to limit workouts to 1 hour to ensure everyone has an opportunity for usage.
- Members are required to stay 6 feet apart while working out in the fitness centre.
- There will be a strict wipe down policy in place. Members will be asked to wipe down all equipment after each use. Anyone not following this will be asked to leave by the attendant.
- When members enter the fitness centre, they must sign in with the attendant before entering to use facility.
- The sauna and showers are currently not open for use. Changerooms will strictly be for changing and washrooms.
- Certain equipment will be marked off from usage to help with social distancing. Please do not use this equipment that is marked off.
- Please do not use the fitness centre if you are sick or have Covid-19 symptoms.
- Anyone not following these rules and existing fitness centre rules will be asked to leave or risk having membership suspended.

Playgrounds – Now Open

This includes all town owned playgrounds; they will be open for day use. Please adhere to the following procedures.

- It is recommended that hand sanitizer be used before and after using the equipment.
- Older youth, parents, and guardians are required to socially distance
- If you are sick or have symptoms, please do not use the playground.
- No gatherings of more than 25 people if the playground is full, please go to another.
- Anyone not following guidelines will be asked to leave.

Green Spaces (Jackfish Lake and Bandy Lake closed due to road issues, new date TBD)

This includes, Jackfish Lake, the new Bandy Lake Park, and green spaces around the Recreation buildings, excluding the baseball field.

- These green spaces are for day use only. No camping will be allowed. Anyone camping will be asked to leave the park immediately.
- There are to be no gatherings of more than 25 people. Please follow physical distancing guidelines and keep 6 feet apart.
- Please do not visit these green spaces if you are sick or have any Covid-19 symptoms.
- Anyone not following the guidelines put in place by the town and the GNWT's Emerging Wisely Plan will be asked to leave the green spaces.

Tennis/Basketball Court (Now Open)

This includes the Town owned court behind Mackenzie Mountain School. Please follow these guidelines when using the court.

- Do not share equipment, only the game ball is the accepted piece of equipment everyone may handle.
- Please use hand sanitizer and practice physical distancing where appropriate.
- Please do not use the court if you are sick or have any Covid-19 symptoms.
- Gathering must be no more than 25 people.
- Anyone not following the guidelines put in place by the town and the GNWT's Emerging Wisely Plan will be asked to leave the court.

Baseball Field - Opening June 8th, 2020

The following are the guidelines to opening the baseball field behind the Town recreation facilities.

- Any association or league run games should follow the guidelines put in place by the GNWT's Emerging Wisely Plan for the procedures of baseball/softball games.
- Gatherings must be no more than 25 people. This includes players and spectators.
- No sharing of equipment, the game ball should be the only equipment handled by everyone.
- Please use hand sanitizer before and after attending the field.
- Please do not use the field if you are sick or have Covid-19 symptoms.
- Anyone not following the guidelines put in place by the town and GNWT Emerging Wisely Plan will be asked to leave the baseball field.

Please Note: The arena, pool, curling club, community hall, and camping in green spaces are currently still closed to the public. They will open in the appropriate phases in accordance with the GNWT's Emerging Wisely Plan. You can access a copy of the Emerging Wisely Plan by contacting the Town Office or visiting https://www.gov.nt.ca/covid-19/en/services/public-health-orders/emerging-wisely.