



## **Saskatoon Pickleball Inc.**

### **Member Policy for Indoor COVID-19 Precautionary Measures**

**Date: September 27, 2021**

Saskatoon Pickleball Inc. (SPI) is committed to our core value of the health and safety of our members as they participate in our range of programs during the Covid-19 pandemic.

In response to the interim Public Health Order (PHO) issued by the Saskatchewan Health Authority (SHA) on September 17, 2021, the SPI Board of Directors has approved the following policy. This policy was developed to provide the highest level of safety to as many members as possible, with the aim of improving the probability and scope of operating fall and winter programs without interruption.

SPI's operations will continue to be subject to federal, provincial and local public health regulations related to the COVID-19 pandemic as well as those restrictions put in place by partner organizations.

#### **Purpose**

This policy provides SPI's position and safety measures, so that members may make individual decisions about pickleball play during the pandemic.

As you are all aware, asymptomatic people can transmit the Covid-19 virus. SPI is taking prudent steps to keep members safe, but there can be no assurance that the Covid-19 virus will not be contracted while participating in SPI activities. This is a risk that each member must assess themselves.

#### **General Direction:**

Saskatoon Pickleball Inc. supports the basic provisions identified by Pickleball Saskatchewan and Pickleball Canada to reduce exposure to COVID- 19 including:

- vaccinations to increase personal immunity to COVID-19
- physical distancing of 2 meters or more, especially in indoor settings
- sanitization of equipment (paddles, balls) on a regular basis
- regular hand-washing or sanitization
- wearing masks off court at indoor venues
- staying home with any symptoms or exposure to COVID-19
- seeking testing for COVID-19 when unsure of exposure and symptoms
- using a sign-up method for play that will allow for contact tracing if necessary

#### **Specific Direction:**

In response to the Government of Saskatchewan Public Health Order, issued September 17, 2021, The Board of Directors of Saskatoon Pickleball Inc. has approved the following measures

regarding proof of vaccination and masking, for all members, volunteers, and guests at all indoor club programs and activities:

- a) For individuals 12 years of age and older, entry to all activities organized by Saskatoon Pickleball Inc. are limited to individuals who demonstrate they are fully vaccinated by presenting documentation as provided by the SHA or an approved medical authority in a jurisdiction outside of Saskatchewan. This includes vaccination cards issued at time of immunization, vaccination confirmation from Saskatchewan e-health, or QR codes from the SHA. Fully vaccinated means it has been 14 days or more after the second dose of a two-dose COVID-19 immunization series or 14 days or more after first dose of a single-dose immunization series.
- b) Individuals 12 years of age and older seeking entry to Saskatoon Pickleball Inc. activities who are not fully vaccinated are required to produce evidence of a negative COVID-19 test completed within the most recent 72-hour period by an accredited lab.
- c) Masks are not required while participating in on-court pickleball activities, so long as individuals comply with either a) or b) above (Paragraphs (ix) & (x) of Section 4(c) of the Sask PHO).
- d) Masks are required for all members engaged in off-court pickleball activities at any indoor Saskatoon Pickleball Inc. organized event.

This policy will come into force on October 1, 2021 and will remain in effect until further notice.