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<p>When can skating resume?</p>	<p>New Brunswick's Recovery Plan allows for rinks to reopen in the <b>Yellow Level</b>. In this phase, low contact sports may resume provided they operate as per guidance provided by Skate Canada and Skate Canada New Brunswick.</p>
<p>What does my club need to do to resume activities?</p>	<p><b>EVERY</b> Club and Skating School <b>NEEDS an Operational Plan</b>. This plan must meet the guidelines set by four (4) authorities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Public Health <a href="https://www2.gnb.ca/content/gnb/en/departments/ocmoh/cdc/content/respiratory_diseases/coronavirus.html">https://www2.gnb.ca/content/gnb/en/departments/ocmoh/cdc/content/respiratory_diseases/coronavirus.html</a></li> <li>• WorkSafe NB <a href="https://www.worksafenb.ca/safety-topics/covid-19/covid-19-what-workers-and-employers-need-to-know/">https://www.worksafenb.ca/safety-topics/covid-19/covid-19-what-workers-and-employers-need-to-know/</a></li> <li>• Skate Canada <a href="https://skatecanada.ca/covid-19-response/">https://skatecanada.ca/covid-19-response/</a></li> <li>• Your local facility (arena/rink)</li> </ul>
<p>How can I create my Operational Plan for my club?</p>	<p>Skate Canada New Brunswick will provide a template for our clubs as they plan their return to skating. This template will be based on the following guidelines:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• GNB Operational Plan Guide <a href="https://www2.gnb.ca/content/dam/gnb/Departments/eco-bce/Promo/covid-19/covid-op-plan-guide.pdf">https://www2.gnb.ca/content/dam/gnb/Departments/eco-bce/Promo/covid-19/covid-op-plan-guide.pdf</a></li> <li>• WorkSafe NB Embracing the New Normal <a href="https://www.worksafenb.ca/media/60996/embracing-the-new-normal.pdf">https://www.worksafenb.ca/media/60996/embracing-the-new-normal.pdf</a></li> </ul>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Skate Canada Return to Skate Guidelines <a href="https://skatecanada.ca/wp-content/uploads/2020/05/Return-to-Skating-Guidelines.pdf">https://skatecanada.ca/wp-content/uploads/2020/05/Return-to-Skating-Guidelines.pdf</a></li> </ul> <p><b>IMPORTANT:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• SCNB needs to review your Operational Plan prior to the start of your programming. We will also keep a copy on file.</li> <li>• Operational Plans will need to be updated and reviewed as the situation evolves.</li> </ul>
<p>Can our club or skating school adopt Skate Canada New Brunswick's Operational Plan?</p>	<p>No, you cannot adopt SCNB's Operational Plan.</p>
<p>Our Coaches are self-employed; do they require their own Operational Plan?</p>	<p>Unless the coaches offer activities independently of a club/school, they are not required to have their own Operational Plan.</p>
<p>The Club and Coach relationship is that of an Employer and Employee. What are their roles?</p>	<p>WorkSafe NB, whose role is to promote healthy and safe workplace environments for employers and employees, has created a webpage which contains various documents pertaining to Covid-19. <a href="https://www.worksafenb.ca/safety-topics/covid-19/covid-19-what-workers-and-employers-need-to-know/">https://www.worksafenb.ca/safety-topics/covid-19/covid-19-what-workers-and-employers-need-to-know/</a></p> <p>One important resource for Clubs and Coaches is the guide: <i>Embracing the New</i></p>

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	<i>Normal</i> which provides information and an operational plan template.
What are the key factors we must consider in our operation plan?	<p>The following are key words:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Physical (or Social) Distancing <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ A MUST!</li> <li>○ Low Contact</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Screening</li> <li>• Hygiene</li> <li>• Cleaning and Disinfecting</li> <li>• Communication</li> <li>• Bubbles!</li> </ul>
Where can we purchase hand sanitizing or protective equipment?	<a href="https://www2.snb.ca/content/dam/snb/Procurement/AtlanticCanadaPPESuppliersForPrivateIndustry.pdf">https://www2.snb.ca/content/dam/snb/Procurement/AtlanticCanadaPPESuppliersForPrivateIndustry.pdf</a>
Where can I find a guide on cleaning and disinfection for Covid-19?	<a href="https://www2.gnb.ca/content/dam/gnb/Departments/h-s/pdf/Cleaning_DisinfectingE.pdf">https://www2.gnb.ca/content/dam/gnb/Departments/h-s/pdf/Cleaning_DisinfectingE.pdf</a>
Has our National Sport Organization (NSO), Skate Canada, provided guidelines which Clubs and Coaches must follow?	<p>Yes, they are found here:</p> <p><a href="https://skatecanada.ca/wp-content/uploads/2020/05/Return-to-Skating-Guidelines.pdf">https://skatecanada.ca/wp-content/uploads/2020/05/Return-to-Skating-Guidelines.pdf</a></p>
Does Skate Canada Insurance cover Covid-19?	Unfortunately, no it does not.
Do I need to use everything that is listed in the template?	<p>There are some sections that are mandatory and are indicated in <b>red</b> in the template. For example:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Plan implementation date</li> <li>• Plan revision</li> <li>• Club/School Contact information</li> <li>• Risk Analysis</li> <li>• Communication protocol</li> <li>• Registration process</li> <li>• Facility Operational Plan</li> <li>• Entering and exiting the ice protocol.</li> </ul>

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	<p>On the other hand, if there is a program that you do not offer, do not include it in your plan.</p> <p>If there is something that is not applicable to your club/school, again, do not include it.</p>
How are we to complete the Risk Analysis?	<p>Your club needs to identify Covid-19 related risks that exist at your club and how and who is responsible for their mitigation. For example:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• harness</li> <li>• office,</li> <li>• teaching aids,</li> <li>• registration</li> </ul>
Does the number of skaters on the ice per session include coaches, choreographers, and PAs?	No.
Can we use dressing rooms?	<p>SCNB strongly recommends that dressing rooms not be used; however, if the facility allows, dressing rooms may be used following the facility's and Public Health's Guidelines. Please note that masks must be worn as per the Mandatory Mask Order. <a href="https://www2.gnb.ca/content/dam/gnb/Departments/eco-bce/Promo/covid-19/MandatoryMasksFAQ.pdf">https://www2.gnb.ca/content/dam/gnb/Departments/eco-bce/Promo/covid-19/MandatoryMasksFAQ.pdf</a></p>
I can't insert my facility's operational plan; can I send it separately?	Yes
Can we accept CanSkate Level 1 skaters who need assistance (« Pre CanSkate»)?	Yes, with conditions. Please refer to the Club Operational Plan Template for instructions.
How can we ensure that skaters beginning CanSkate can skate?	<p>Clubs may organize a session to ensure that a skater is able to stand up and skate independently on the ice. This would be akin to "Bring a Friend Day". Procedures for such events are found in <a href="#">Skate Canada's Insurance Guide</a>.</p>
Does SCNB need to review my plan every time we update it?	<p>SCNB will review your initial plan and propose recommendations as needed. We will also want to review your final copy of the document; however, once we complete the final revision, the</p>

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	responsibility to review and update the plan remains with the Club.
Should parent/guardian who stays in the stands sign a waiver and/or declaration?	We recommend that the parent/guardian sign the declaration, not the waiver, when they register the skater.
Do parents on the ice during Pre-CanSkate count in the total number of skaters on the ice?	No. The number of parents helping the Pre-Canskate are not part of the quota. They are part of the PA/Coach unit. They can only assist their skater and must remain in their designated area.
Can a PA/Coach wear a face shield instead of a community mask?	<p>Face shields may be used in addition to face masks and may offer value in their added ability to protect the eyes from potential exposure to COVID-19 contaminated respiratory particles, but when worn alone, face shields are insufficient.</p> <p>Face shields leave gaps around the face where the virus could potentially spread through contaminated respiratory particles. Face masks, on the other hand, don't leave the same gap that face shields do.</p>
If our club only begins its programming in November, which phase do we begin with?	Clubs/Schools that are in a yellow phase region may begin at any phase providing they meet every requirement.
Can our club organize a Skate with Santa/Family Skate?	<p>First, please consult with your facility to see if this is feasible and what guidelines are to be met.</p> <p>You must also follow Skate Canada Insurance guidelines:</p> <p>Santa:  <a href="https://info.skatecanada.ca/index.php/en-ca/guides/180-insurance-faq.html#h24-our-club-is-having-a-skate-with-santa-type-day-is-this-covered">https://info.skatecanada.ca/index.php/en-ca/guides/180-insurance-faq.html#h24-our-club-is-having-a-skate-with-santa-type-day-is-this-covered</a></p> <p>Family Skate:  <a href="https://info.skatecanada.ca/index.php/en-ca/guides/180-insurance-faq.html#h23-are-all-participants-covered-by-insurance-and-the-injury-benefit-for-bring-a-friend-day-and-or-family-fun-skates">https://info.skatecanada.ca/index.php/en-ca/guides/180-insurance-faq.html#h23-are-all-participants-covered-by-insurance-and-the-injury-benefit-for-bring-a-friend-day-and-or-family-fun-skates</a></p>

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	<p>Should you move ahead with such an event, keep in mind of the following two (2) imperatives: physical distancing and hand sanitizing. This said, SCNB suggests the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Have Santa attend the CanSkate session. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Santa must wear mask and wash his hands before getting on the ice and after he leaves the ice surface.</li> <li>○ Unfortunately, skaters cannot sit on Santa’s lap or touch him.</li> <li>○ Santa should skate and visit the stations. He can see how our skaters are improving!</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Have Santa sit in the stands and wave to the skaters</li> <li>• Organize a Skate with Santa where the following must be done: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Keep list of participants for contact tracing</li> <li>○ Participants need to wash their hands before getting on the ice and after leaving the ice surface.</li> <li>○ Participants need to keep moving</li> <li>○ Social distancing is a must</li> <li>○ Consider wearing mask</li> <li>○ Unfortunately, skaters cannot sit on Santa’s lap or touch him.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Should you have another suggestion, get in touch with the SCNB office please.</li> </ul>
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