

## COVID-19 Assumption of Risk & Permission Form

BY AGREEING TO THIS DOCUMENT, YOUR AND YOUR CHILD'S LEGAL RIGHTS MAY BE  
AFFECTED

***PLEASE READ CAREFULLY!***

Dr. Bonnie Henry stated on May 16, 2020 that "COVID-19 is new for all of us". We at the District of West Vancouver responded to the direction from our public health officials to first close our facilities and cease offering services. We are now responding to the direction to reopen our facilities and offer services to our community cautiously, with the safety of our staff and community being our priority.

COVID-19 remains a worldwide pandemic and a threat to our local health and safety. We know the following (this list is not intended to be exhaustive):

1. The infectious agent, SARS-CoV-2, has caused community transmission of a serious communicable and potentially fatal disease known as COVID-19 amongst the population of the Province of British Columbia;
2. Our public health officials have determined this constitutes a regional event as defined in section 51 of the *Public Health Act*;
3. A person infected with SARS-CoV-2 can infect other people with whom the infected person comes into contact with; and
4. The gathering of people in close contact with one another can promote the transmission of SARS-CoV-2 and increase the number of people who develop COVID-19.

We cannot be certain that a person (of any age) will not contract SARS-CoV-2 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 and COVID-19 policies and procedures, which are available for your review here:

<https://westvancouverrec.ca/general-information/health-safety>

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. We do not employ health professionals and do not screen for potential illness. 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. Again, we do not screen for same.

For our camps and other programs for children, we will be educating children about physical distancing, however, there may be situations where physical distancing cannot be maintained. 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 this includes games where there may be touching (such as tag) and use of playground

equipment. Most activities will now be taking place indoors and our outdoor programs will be discontinued during the more inclement months. Please consider this when selecting programs for your child.

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.

If you or your child become ill within 14 days of visiting one of our facilities, please call 8-1-1 or speak with your health care provider. We will share personal information with authorized health authorities for the purposes of contact tracing only if the need arises.

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.

I/we have read, understand and agree to the Assumption of Risk and Permission Form.	INITIAL ON PREVIOUS PAGE
I/we have reviewed the Assumption of Risk and Permission Form with my/our child and have instructed our child to listen to and follow the instructions provided.	INITIAL ON PREVIOUS PAGE

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