

Spencerville Arena Investigation

Provincial Planning and Design Guidelines

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Play activity space	
2.8m ² of unobstructed floor space per child (toddler, preschool).	Once other required spaces are constructed, the amount of available space will be limited.
Each licensed age group must have it's own separate play area.	Requires renovation, or limit to one age group.
On or below the 2nd storey, although it is recommended that toddler rooms are on the main floor.	Space is only available on the 2nd storey.
Windows sized at least 10% of the floor space.	There are no windows to the outside.
There must be a space for storage of toys and play materials; this does not count towards the required unobstructed play space.	Needs to be purchased or added during renovations.
Eating and resting areas	
A space for eating is required and can be incorporated into the play area, but permanent fixtures do not count towards the required unobstructed play area.	A multi-use design would need to be considered so that less space is used for these functions.
Sleeping area can be incorporated into the play area, but space used to store cots and linens doesn't count towards the required play space.	
Washing, dressing, toileting	
It is recommended that the public not have access to children's toilet facilities during the centre's hours of operation.	A separate washroom is not available and would need to be constructed.
Must have a table near a sink for changing a diaper (toddler)	
Preparation of food	
A kitchen is required if food is prepared on site, a place to receive food is required if food is catered. At minimum a space to store food is required if food is not prepared or catered.	Assuming no food will be prepared or catered on site, there is a fridge, counter and sink available for food storage.

Office area	
Storage of hard copy records, if necessary	There is an office area nearby but it is used by facility staff. If this area is to be used for a child care facility, a separate staff office space would be needed.
Storage for medical supplies, etc., inaccessible to children	
Staff rest area	
Must be separate from play and office areas; should provide a calm, relaxing space for breaks, lunch and professional development.	This space would need to be built as part of renovations.
Heating and electrical	
Must be inaccessible to children	This is in place and already separate from the designated space.
Temperature must be maintained at least 20 degrees.	
Entranceway (recommended)	
A dedicated entranceway is highly recommended.	No separate entrance exists; signage and controlled access would be needed if shared with arena users.
Individual storage spaces for coats, boots, and bags promote independence.	No designated coat/boot storage; space for cubbies or hooks must be added during renovations.
Entrance must be large enough for safe drop-off and pick-up.	Limited space may cause congestion; scheduling or separate waiting areas may be needed.
Outdoor play	
5.6m ² of unobstructed outdoor space per child	There is no suitable space on the arena property and approval would be required to use adjacent land.
Must be adjacent to premises, unless Director approval for alternate arrangement.	
Fenced to 1.2m	Required as part of renovation.
There must be storage for outdoor play equipment	Needs to be purchased or added during renovations.