

Update History

Updated: 05/01/2023

This document contains a summary of any updates to *FIRST* Robotics Canada COVID-19 Protocols and Policies.

May 1st, 2023

- Removal of the mandatory masking policy; changed to a masking recommendation
- All protocols updated for the 2023-24 Season
- The following documents were removed or consolidated into other documents
 - Contact Tracing Policy
 - COVID-19 Protocol Lead Policy
 - o Enforcement of and Non-Compliance with COVID-19 Policies
 - Data Protection Policy
 - Food and Drink Policy
 - Hand Sanitizer Protocol
 - Safety Glasses Policy
 - Signage at Events Policy
- The following documents were renamed from Policies to Recommendations
 - Masking Recommendations
 - Respiratory Etiquette and Hand Hygiene Recommendations
 - o Physical Distancing Recommendations
 - Pre-Event Screening Recommendations

February 16th, 2023

 No changes to any protocols, all protocols will stay in place until the end of the 2022-23 season, at which time they will be reviewed for the 2023-24 season

August 24th, 2022

- All protocols updated for the 2022-23 Season
- The following documents were removed or consolidated into other documents
 - Event Capacity & Attendance Policy
 - Sharing of Tools Policy
 - Surface Sanitizer Policy
 - Team Check-In Policy
 - Vaccination Policy
 - Volunteer Check-In Policy

April 8th, 2022

Attendees Who Have Recently Arrived/Returned to Canada Policy: Removed

April 4th, 2022

 Pre-Event Screening Protocol: Updated to reflect the latest screening protocol from the Province

March 29th, 2022

 Event Capacity & Attendance Limits: Team Attendance Limit for the Ontario Provincial Championship is updated. All other events are finalized

March 11th, 2022

- Respiratory Etiquette and Hand Hygiene Policy: Removed reference to shouting
- Event Check-in and Proof of Vaccination Verification Protocol: Removed incorrect reference to photo ID being required
- Volunteer Check-in and Proof of Vaccination Verification Protocol: Removed incorrect reference to photo ID being required
- Event Capacity & Attendance Limits: Team Attendance Limit for University of Waterloo, York University, Windsor-Essex, North Bay Events updated
- Physical Distancing: Updated the limit of team members in the pit area to 8, added references to pit lanyards. Removed guidance against entering the pit areas of other teams. Removed note about signage displaying room capacities. Clarifications on the type of approved (fist-bump, elbow-taps, etc.) and unapproved physical contact (hugs, handshakes, high-fives, etc.)
- Contact Tracing Policy: Updated event list and contacts; updated guidance on communication protocols after a positive test

February 25th, 2022

- Vaccination Policy: Updated to remove references to outdated Provincial Policies
- Event Capacity & Attendance Limits: Team Attendance Limit for Humber College finalized, approximate date of finalization for Waterloo and York is set
- Food & Drink Policy: Updated to remove reference to buffet style meals

February 3rd, 2022

- Event Capacity & Attendance Limits: Team Attendance Limit for Humber College Event updated
- Vaccination Policy & Event Check-in Policy: Updated to match newest Provincial Guidelines regarding mandatory use of enhanced vaccine certificates with official QR codes, and vaccine medical exemptions being verified using official enhanced vaccine certificates with QR codes