

Casino & Community Gaming Centre Enhanced Health & Safety Measures

B.C. casinos and community gaming centres have robust health and safety measures in place to support the health and wellbeing of our people, players and communities, including:



1. Physically distanced table games and slot machines

At least two metres of space between table games, slot machines and other gambling equipment to support physical distancing.



2. Physical barriers where necessary

Transparent barriers installed where physical distancing is not possible or where casino employees, such as dealers or cash-cage staff, must interact with players.



3. Recommended face covering

While we recommend that players wear a face covering, it is not required for entry. The Province's guidance is that face coverings are recommended in all indoor public places for individuals who are not fully vaccinated.

Players will be asked to remove their face covering at entrances and as required on the gaming floor for identification purposes.



4. Adjusted availability of table games

For most games, cards will be dealt face up; players will not be permitted to touch cards with the exception of Squeeze Baccarat, which utilizes one-time use cards.

Community Poker will not be offered initially upon reopening. Some casinos may offer some poker variant games, such as Texas Hold'em.



5. New training requirements for casino staff

Before returning to work, all casino staff completed robust training in health and safety requirements, which also outlines behind-the-scenes protocols, such as staggered shift schedules and re-configured break rooms to support physical distancing.



6. Specialized ventilation system

The design of ventilation systems for casinos and community gaming centres is highly specialized and systems meet or exceed all air-quality standards. Air changes occur frequently per hour.