

Return to Squash (R2S) 2021: Getting Back into Squash Safely

These R2S Guidelines and timelines are based on the [PHO BC Restart Plan Steps](#), [viaSport Return to Sport Restart 2.0](#) and have been adapted by Squash BC to allow for players to ease back into our sport with a gradual return to squash in consideration of safety and player comfort levels.

PHASE 1

Where We Are Now

Effective May 25

Singles and Doubles:

- 3-meter distancing in effect on and off the court
- Restricted to home club only
 - No crossing of BC travel regions
- Play within same household only
- Restricted group size: Singles & Doubles
 - maximum of 2 people on court, either 2 players or one player and one coach.

Spectators:

- No spectators
- Guest policy as determined by facility & PHO order

For more details, view [Squash BC Return to Squash \(R2S\) Status as of January 8, 2021](#)
In accordance with [PHO](#) and [viaSport Return to Sport Restart 2.0 Step 1](#)

PHASE 2

Unrestricted
In-House Play

Effective
June 15

Singles and Doubles:

- Singles and Doubles play allowed with physical distancing not required on court, 2m distancing required off court as per PHO recommendation
- Normal number of players allowed on court
- No bubble or pod required
- Types of play allowed:
 - Match Play, Box Ladder, In-House League, Summer Camps, Squash Lessons, Junior/Adult Programs, In-House Tournaments

- Mask not required **ON** court
- Mask mandatory **OFF** court
- No spectators
- Guest policy as determined by facility

In accordance with the [PHO](#) and [viaSport Return to Sport Restart 2.0 Step 2](#)

PHASE 3

Getting Ready
for the Season

Effective: July 1

Singles and Doubles:

- **On court, no changes from Phase 2**
- **Off court:**
 - Physical distancing & masks **no longer required**
 - The PHO does recommend mask wearing in indoor public spaces for all people 12 and older who are not yet fully vaccinated
- Regionalized inter-club play
 - Re-introduction to competition
- Regional/divisional leagues in same locale and between 2 or 3 facilities
- Small Tournaments
 - In-House tournaments

Spectators/Guests:

- up to 50 spectators or up to 50% of capacity, whichever is greater
- Guest policy as determined by facility

In accordance with [PHO](#) and [viaSport Return to Sport Restart 2.0 Step 3](#)

PHASE 4

Return to Normal Play

Earliest Date:
Sept 7

Singles and Doubles:

- Squash Events, Leagues & Inter-Club Play
 - Larger leagues (VSL, OSL etc.)*
 - Larger tournaments

Spectators/Guests:

- Return to normal for both spectator and guest policies (as per PHO Guidelines)

*Leagues anticipated to start mid to late October

In accordance with [PHO](#) and [viaSport Return to Sport Restart 2.0 Step 4](#)

These guidelines are subject to the PHO recommendations and clubs/facilities will be updated if changes should occur. **UPDATED: JULY 1, 2021**

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Additional Information and Helpful Links:

[viaSport Frequently Asked Questions](#)

[B.C's Restart Plan](#)

[Travel Guidance for B.C.](#)

[Communicable Disease Response Guidance](#)

[Mask Guidance](#)

[COVID-19 \(Limits on Actions and Proceedings\) Regulation](#)

[Government of BC COVID-19 Restrictions Information](#)