

BC Cubing Comeback A 2021 (Saturday September 25)
BC Cubing Comeback B 2021 (Sunday September 26)

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Planning diligently with WCA permission for Twin Competitions as found in Section 2.5 of the [WCA competition requirements policy](#) and with the province of British Columbia widening permission points for indoor event gatherings to be found at [BC's Restart: A plan to bring us back together - Province of British Columbia](#), here is the proposed Risk Mitigation Plan for the BC Cubing Comeback 2021 A and B Competitions.

Note: We as experienced WCA organizers and as the delegate are necessarily and currently planning during Phase 3 of our province's reopening. Due to provincial markers for population vaccinations already being successfully met ahead of schedule, for our strategically scheduled September 25 and 26 competition dates we fully expect our province to be in its final Phase 4 of unrestricted, full openings for all social gatherings. Nonetheless, we as organizers and delegate are committed to hosting our twin competitions as WCA and BC sanctioned indoor gatherings that thoughtfully meet general communicable disease cautions for the safest experience for all attendees.

For latest information for WCA consideration of the status of COVID-19 cases and vaccinations in the province of British Columbia please refer to [BC COVID-19 Data \(bccdc.ca\)](#)

For latest information for WCA consideration of the status of COVID-19 cases and vaccinations nationwide in Canada please refer to [COVID-19 daily epidemiology update - Canada.ca](#)

Our **Risk Mitigation Plan** is as follows:

General

1. All attendees will be encouraged to remain 3 feet apart for the duration of the competition; communication to attendees as well as physical furnishings set up at the venue will reflect this as our expected safe practice.
2. All attendees are encouraged to sanitize/wash their hands upon arrival to the competition and are encouraged to continue frequent hand washing/sanitizing throughout the day. Hand sanitizer will be provided at the entrance to the venue, the scrambling table, and next to judges and competitors currently competing.
3. Competitors and attendees experiencing any symptoms of COVID-19 the day prior to and of the competition will be asked and expected to refrain from attending.
4. Any attendee showing symptoms of COVID-19 should not attend the competition and will be kindly asked to leave if they are present at the venue.
5. As per BC provincial policy, masks are currently and temporarily publicly recommended for unvaccinated individuals only and all vaccinated individuals have full choice to wear or not wear a mask. As per WCA guidance, we are currently recommending masks for attendees at the venue. As such, a box of masks will be made available to attendees.
6. Registration must be completed online. On the spot registration will not be accepted.

Venue

The main venue is the Walton Elementary School gym with a school district of Coquitlam board approval of capacity for 295 people. It measures 4000 square feet or 371 square meters. This is suggestive, under the WCA's 4 square meters per attendee guidance for capacity limits, of permission for all 50 competitors to be in

the gym at any one given time as needed, along with the organizational team of two plus one delegate and up to 40 spectators at any one given time as needed. (see Spectators section for more clarification)

Two additional spaces for attendees are available in very close and easy proximity to the main gym venue:

- a. The open foyer right directly outside the gym doors will be handy space for attendees to practice cubing at tables
- b. The sizable school library right across from the gym and foyer with additional seating will be set up as convenient space for, but not limited to, parent attendees preferring spacious, quiet space.

3. Bathrooms are available right outside the gym venue across from the foyer and library for easy soap and water washes for hand hygiene and personal needs.

4. The following is for the gym venue's competition stations:

There will only be one solving station per table

Tables will not be within 6 ft of any other table.

Competitors will remain at the same competing station, with the same judge for the duration of the event.

Judges' seats will be placed 3 feet from the seat of the competitor.

5. Being a competition that is designed for stationary solving, no competitor waiting area will be set up.

6. Hand sanitation areas will be available throughout the venue and will be accessible at the entrance, as will personal lanyards and name labeled pens for individual use.

7. Spectator and attendee seating will be arranged to accommodate 3 feet of distance between individuals. As such spectator viewing chairs will be placed apart as will the chairs to be positioned at competitors' practice tables.

8. If weather permits, outside doors will be open for additional ventilation.

Competitors

1. Competitors will submit their puzzles at the solving station with their scorecard at the start of the group they are competing in (groups will be listed on lanyards). Competitors will be encouraged to disinfect their puzzles before submitting. Disinfecting wipes will be available by request.
2. It will be the competitor's responsibility to return the puzzle to the cover after the completion of each attempt (except for the last attempt, after which the competitor may leave with their cube).
3. Competitors will remain at the same competing station for all solves of any given event.
4. Borrowing puzzles from other attendees to use in competing will be discouraged and all competitors are expected to bring their own required puzzles to the competition.
5. Competitors should use their own pens. The organization team will supply each competitor with a name labeled pen for their personal use at the competition.
6. There is a competitor limit of 50 for each A and B competition. Competitors may participate in only one, not both of the competition dates.

Judges

1. Each competitor will have the same judge for the duration of the round.
2. Judges are to maintain at least a 3 foot distance at all times unless interaction with the competitor is required by the regulations; an example of this would be lifting the cube cover to start an attempt.

3. Judges are to remain at the same station, and judge the same competitor until the competitor has completed, and signed for all of their attempts for that round.
4. Judges should use their own pens. Competition organizers will supply pens for judges as needed.
5. Judges are encouraged to use their own personal timer devices for their inspection; however, competition organizers will still supply stopwatches with sanitizer as needed.

Runners

1. Runners should maintain at least 3 feet of distance at all times unless required to place a cube on a solving station.
2. Runners should not come into contact with competitors' puzzles.
3. Runners will have access to hand sanitation as required.

Scramblers

1. Scramblers should be situated no closer than 3 feet from other scramblers.
2. Scramblers are encouraged to sanitize their hands at regular intervals. Hand sanitation will be provided at the scrambling table, and throughout the venue.
3. Scramblers will be given their own name labeled pens for their personal usage.

Organizers and the Delegate

1. Organizers and the delegate will be responsible for encouraging attendees to follow the guidelines.
2. Organizers and the delegate or their appointed volunteering competitors and attendees will disinfect equipment and scrambling tables between rounds.

Spectators

1. Competitors may each bring a maximum of one spectator. Competitors 18+ are encouraged to attend solo. This simple encouragement is fully expected to keep numbers successfully within WCA guidance for capacity limitations of 4 square meters per attendee.
2. Spectators should not come within 6 feet of competing stations.

Schedule

Extra time is given for each event to leave time for sanitation between rounds.

Amendments to this Risk Mitigation Plan

Should BC or WCA guidance for gatherings change closer to the selected competition dates around particulars such as mask recommendations or capacity allowances, this will be communicated by email to competitors prior to the commencement of the competitions.