

## CITY OF MAPLE RIDGE NEWS RELEASE

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## Basketball Courts and Spray Parks Set To Reopen

Maple Ridge, BC: Parks, Recreation & Culture staff have reinstalled basketball hoops throughout the community as part of the phased Parks and Facilities reopening plan. Basketball courts are now available for play and the City is working on the logistics to safely reopen water spray parks before June 30, consistent with the Fraser Health advisory and BC Restart Plan.

Citizens are reminded to follow the guidelines below while using local playgrounds, sports courts or spray parks:

- Please stay home if you are sick. This is a cornerstone of public health protocols for all activities in BC.
- Maintain physical distancing from others and wash or sanitize hands before and after play.
- Parents and guardians are asked to supervise their children to avoid overcrowding. Share
  the facilities to give everyone an opportunity for safe play.

Park patrons are reminded that playgrounds, sports courts and spray parks are not disinfected daily. Washroom facilities are cleaned daily and are well stocked for hand washing.

Staff are currently evaluating safe operating procedures and impacts around reopening facilities like the Maple Ridge Leisure Centre and Hammond Pool. The timeline to reopen Hammond Pool is anticipated for mid-July and is dependent on engineered and operational solutions to adequately address the safety of our customers and staff.

You can find the most updated information on Maple Ridge's Response to COVID-19 at mapleridge.ca/2408.