

NEWS RELEASE

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Town of Comox Closing Outdoor Play Structures and Courts Until Further Notice

Comox, BC – The Town of Comox is taking action today to close its public outdoor play spaces and courts. This action is being taken in conjunction with other regional local governments and in compliance with the Provincial Health Officer's directive requiring all citizens to practice social distancing of two metres.

It is not generally feasible for users to maintain sufficient social distancing when numerous other users are also present and using the facilities. The Town takes pride in the quality and cleanliness of its play structures and courts, but transmission of Covid-19 remains a possibility among users.

Facilities that will be closed today include all outdoor play spaces in Comox parks, all tennis courts and all pickle ball courts.

Town of Comox Closures Effective Immediately:

- Municipal Playgrounds and Play Structures
- Tennis Courts at Anderton Park
- Tennis Courts at Community Centre
- Pickleball Courts at Highland Rotary Courts
- Outdoor Fitness Circuit at Anderton Park
- Outdoor Hockey Box at Highland Fields

Mayor Russ Arnott stated that "taking this action is regrettable for the many citizens that use these facilities, however the Town believes that it is more important that we do what we can to ensure our citizens are kept as safe as possible by following Provincial Health directives. Minimizing the spread of Covid-19 is our highest priority at this time." These closures are for an indefinite period of time.