

SECTION 07

FACILITY SAFETY CHECKLIST



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CANADA
BASKETBALL



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It is necessary to perform a safety check of the facility before each session. This quick check of the facility and equipment should be done by an adult 15-20 minutes before the session begins. If there is a group already using the facility, do a quick routine check of things you will need. Don't assume that everything is in good condition – check to be sure.

What to check:

15 Minutes in Advance

- Are the nets in good condition?
- Are the protective mats on the walls behind the baskets in place and attached properly?
- Has the floor been swept for dirt and dust?
- Are there any wet spots on the court?
- Is there additional equipment in the gym that could be dangerous?
- Are there any ropes or curtains in the area that should be tied back and out of the way?
- Are benches sufficiently away from the court area?
- Are there any chairs and tables in the way?
- Is the equipment storage box away from the playing area?
- Are all exits accessible and usable?
- Are community emergency phone numbers readily available?
- Are the emergency phone numbers for the children readily available?
- In case of emergency, are directions to the facility handy? Do you know the exact location, address and phone number to give to the emergency medical technicians?
- Is the first aid kit on hand?

5 Minutes in Advance

- Are all loose balls stored away from the playing area?
- Are spectators seated in a safe area for both them and the players?
- Have the players put their equipment bags away from the playing area?
- Have the players removed all jewellery?
- Are all of the players' shoe laces tied?