

COVID-19 Communicable Disease Guidelines for BCAA School Safety Patrol

Space arrangement	<p>Though distancing of 2 metres is no longer required, Patrollers and others should be reminded not to crowd close together and to respect others personal space while training and on duty.</p> <p>Consider preventing crowding by marking the ground with adhesive tape to indicate where patrollers should stand, and students/pedestrians should wait.</p> <p>For training:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Respect room occupancy limits • Ensure there is enough space to prevent involuntary physical contact between participants • Use the available space to spread participants out and prevent crowding • Consider training outside when possible.
Hand washing	Hands should be washed with soap and water for at least 20 seconds before and after each shift. If soap and water is not available, hand sanitizer can be used.
Masks	A Patroller can wear a mask at any time if they choose, but non-medical masks or face coverings must be worn by all Patrollers when inside the school.
Don't attend if sick	Patrollers should be reminded not to attend their shift if they feel sick.
Use of whistles	<p>Electronic whistles are recommended to replace regular whistles. Please let us know if you do not have an electronic whistle by emailing SchoolSafety.Patrol@bcaa.com. (Note: E-whistles will be tracked and limited to 1 per school.)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Electronic whistles make a sound at a higher decibel than regular whistles – Team Leader should be reminded to direct the sound outward toward the crosswalk, away from ears • Use the setting that mimics the sound of a regular whistle at all times <p>Regular whistles will be provided to all Patrollers and only be used during an emergency situation if for any reason the Team Leader cannot sound the electronic whistle.</p>
Cleaning	<p>Equipment should be cleaned after each use.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vests and arm bands should be wiped down with soap and water after use and hung to dry. Do not use disinfectant on vests and arm bands, as the chemicals can harm and degrade the reflective material. Mild soap and water can be kept in a spray bottle for easier use. • Electronic whistles should be wiped down with a damp cloth containing soap and water after use, paying close attention to the button. DO NOT spray soap and water directly on the whistle. • Stop signs and traffic cones can be wiped cleaned with soap and water or a disinfectant cleaning product approved by Health Canada
Allow more time	Allow extra time at the beginning and end of a shift to accommodate the needed safety measures.