**COVID19 PROTOCOLS FOR ACC OKANAGAN ACTIVITIES for the 2021 Season:**

1. If:
* you are feeling sick or were sick in the past week, or
* were with someone who was sick, or has tested positive for COVID-19 or
* you have been outside the country within the last 14 days

please stay away from Section events and check the BC Website at [www.bccdc.ca](http://www.bccdc.ca/) for the latest information and guidance to determine when you are safe to resume group activities.

1. Carpooling – sharing vehicles is not recommended unless with people who are in your personal bubble. If you do carpool, follow practices recommended by the BC CDC.

3. Personal gear - there is No sharing of personal gear.

4. Group gear - Use HAND SANITIZER before and after handling ropes, quick draws, anchors and any other group gear. **NB. Some hand sanitizers may be harmful to ropes and slings, so Dry your hands before touching any gear**.

5. HAND SANITIZER – Bring lots! and use it generously!

6. Physical Distancing – The Provincial Health Officer and viaSport recommend **minimum 3 meter** spacing when participating in outdoor sports.

7. Place personal gear: back pack, water, snacks, clothes etc well away from any activity areas and other members of the group so as not to interfere with the **3 meter** physical distancing. Take rest breaks well away from others for same reason.

8. Maintain **3 meters** between group members while participating.

9. Face Mask use is optional. It is your personal choice and will be respected.

10. Group size Maximum 10, ideally 6 to 8. If necessary split your party into smaller groups and travel/climb/ separately. If other parties are present discuss with them if it is safe to share the same crag/route or if you or they should move to another area.

11. Discuss these protocols with your group and point out the **3 meter** distancing requirements (#s 6, 7 & 8) to other groups and request that they also do the same.

12. Be prepared to Adjust your plans and go to a different area if necessary.

13. Consider dialing it down a grade or 2. You don't want to visit the Emergency room!

Be Safe, Be Active!
**But above All, Be Safe!**