

### Why does the Aquarena need to close for renovations?

Upgrades to the Aquarena are required to ensure the facility meets Canada Games standards and to ensure athletes from across Canada can enjoy a safe, excellent, sporting experience in August 2025.

The Aquarena was constructed for the 1977 Canada Summer Games and many of its building systems are in need of upgrade to support athlete training, competition, and recreational programs.

### What is the purpose of this renovation?

Project plans include:

- A family change room.
- Additional washrooms.
- Improved spectator seating for pool viewing.
- Extended 10 meter diving platform & new 3 meter diving platform.
- New pool bulk heads.
- Competition video display board for aquatic sports.
- Improved accessible access.
- Multipurpose room.
- Structural, mechanical, electrical, lighting upgrades, and life safety systems that will enhance the facility.

This work will ensure the facility meets Canada Games standards. In addition these upgrades to the facility will enable the Aquarena to be viable for many years to come for both high performance sport and recreational users.

### What is the exact schedule for construction for the Aquarena?

It is anticipated the facility will close September 2023 and be completely turned over to the contractor to perform necessary upgrades.

Priority will be placed on reopening of the pool to allow elite athlete training in preparation to compete in the 2025 Canada Games. Information on public return to the facility for fitness and recreation programs will be provided as the project moves forward.

## Will this affect the current membership?

Current Aquarena memberships will be transferred to full access membership to the Field House amenities.

If you wish to suspend/ cancel your membership, you can complete a form available on The Works website and submit electronically, or provide information by email to [theworks@mun.ca](mailto:theworks@mun.ca). You can also visit the customer service desk.

**MEMORIAL UNIVERSITY STUDENTS:** Students will continue to have access to the Field House and MUN Pool.

## Are there going to be swim lessons?

Due to the ongoing renovations and construction, there will be no swim lessons in fall 2023 or winter 2024.

Updates on restart of lessons will be announced as the project moves forward.

## Will there still be lifeguard training?

Lifeguard training will continue in the fall 2023 at the MUN Pool. Please see our website or contact our customer service desk to receive more information.

## Will there be lane swims in the MUN Pool?

Yes, there will still be lane swims in the MUN Pool. Schedule to be posted.

## Have a question for us?

If you have more questions, you can e-mail The Works at [theworks@mun.ca](mailto:theworks@mun.ca).

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