



Llywodraeth Cymru
Welsh Government

ATISN 15252

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Dear

ATISN 15252 – Ice Rinks

Thank you for your request to the Welsh Government for information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) received on 18 June. You requested the following -

- *The evidence regarding ice rink closures in Wales, specifically to athletes that need to train.*

Response

The information you have requested has been published and can be located on the Welsh Government's website using the following link:

Technical Advisory Group Review Advice:

<https://gov.wales/technical-advisory-group-sars-cov-2-infection-risks-ice-rinks>

Since submitting your request, you will be pleased to know that a review has been undertaken, in consultation with rink operators and National Governing Bodies of ice sports in Wales. Given the assurances we received about the mitigations that will be put in place to minimise the risk of spreading coronavirus, Ministers have agreed that ice rinks can reopen from Saturday 17th July, as we complete the move to alert level one in the Welsh Government's Coronavirus Control Plan.

We are aware that Ice Arena Wales is making preparations to reopen in a few weeks. You may wish to contact the facility directly to request an update.

Next Steps

If you are dissatisfied with the Welsh Government's handling of your request, you can ask for an internal review within 40 working days of the date of this response. Requests for an internal review should be addressed to the Welsh Government's Freedom of Information Officer at:

Information Rights Unit,

Welsh Government,
Cathays Park,
CARDIFF,
CF10 3NQ
Email: Freedom.ofinformation@gov.wales

Please remember to quote the ATISN reference number above.

You also have the right to complain to the Information Commissioner. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

Information Commissioner's Office,
Wycliffe House,
Water Lane,
Wilmslow,
CHESHIRE,
SK9 5AF

However, please note that the Commissioner will not normally investigate a complaint until it has been through our own internal review process.

Yours sincerely,