

# HST Frequently Asked Questions

## 1. Will HST be charged on Daycamps?

*Registered programs for ages 14 years and under are HST exempt, therefore HST will not be charged on daycamps for kids 14 and under.*

## 2. What if my 13 year old is in a registered program for 13 – 18 year olds?

HST is applicable by program; therefore if the program includes individuals over 14, HST will be applied to all participants' registration fees.

## 3. What if I purchased a membership in May or June – will I have to pay HST?

If you purchased a membership in May or June 2010, you were charged GST at the time of purchase...

AND THEN... on July 1, the applicable HST was charged to your account (for the portion of your membership that remains after July 1).

## 4. Why is the HST being charged to my account on July 1 and not at the time of my purchase in May or June?

Our registration and accounting system charged the applicable HST on July 1 – the date that HST was officially implemented.

## 5. How and when can I pay the additional HST charge that is on my account?

You can pay for it anytime after July 1 at any Community Centre front desk or by phone by calling our Customer Service Line at 604-983-6388.

## 6. What if I have more questions?

If you have more questions, please call our Customer Service Line at 604-983-6388 (Mon – Fri 8:30am-6:30pm).

For complete information on HST, visit the following websites:

BC Government [www.gov.bc.ca/hst](http://www.gov.bc.ca/hst)  
Federal Government [www.cra-arc.gc.ca/gncy/hrmnztn/bc/](http://www.cra-arc.gc.ca/gncy/hrmnztn/bc/)



# HST UPDATE

July 2010

The new 12% Harmonized Sales Tax (HST) is effective in British Columbia as of Thursday, July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2010.

## Background

The Harmonized Sales Tax (HST) is a combined sales tax which replaces the GST (which applied to most of our services) and provincial sales tax (which was not charged on our services).

We are required by law to collect this 12% tax on most of our programs and services (certain children's programs are exempt).

Because HST is 12% and the old GST was 5%, most of our prices have increased by the 7% difference. Northvanrec has **not** increased its before tax prices.

## At Northvanrec, HST will replace the GST and apply to the following:

- 1) All Memberships
- 2) All drop-in and public admissions, skate/helmet rentals, court bookings
- 3) Program registration fees (youth, adult & senior)
- 4) Facility rental fees
- 5) Products for sale at front desks

**Note: Registered Programs for children 14 and under are HST exempt.**

## \$ 1 Swims & Skates

Our popular \$1 swims and skates are remaining \$1.

## Memberships

If you purchased any membership prior to July 1, you were charged GST at the time of purchase... AND THEN... on July 1, the applicable HST was charged to your account (for the portion of your membership that remains after July 1).

## Scheduled Payments for Memberships:

If you paid for your membership using *scheduled payments on a credit card*, your payments after July 1 will automatically be adjusted and include the additional HST. If you paid for your membership prior to July 1 using *scheduled payments with cheques*, the additional HST has been charged to your account and you will be asked to pay the difference on your next visit.

## Registered Programs

If you registered and paid for a youth, adult or senior recreation program that *begins after July 1*, you were charged GST at the time of purchase... AND THEN... on July 1, the applicable HST has been charged to your account.

**QUESTIONS? Call our Customer Service Line @ 604-983-6388**