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# **Proof of Vaccination – Parks and Recreation Indoor Facilities**

## Information Statement:

As of **September 22, 2021**, the Ontario government will require patrons to be fully vaccinated and provide proof of their vaccination status and proof of identification to enter certain businesses and organizations, with a focus on higher-risk indoor public settings.

Scope:

**Settings where patrons must be fully vaccinated include**:

* Indoor areas where spectators watch sporting events
* Indoor areas of casinos, bingo halls, and other gaming establishments.
* Indoor areas of facilities for sports and recreational fitness activities, including personal fitness training
* Indoor areas of meeting and event spaces (e.g., banquet halls and conference / convention centres)

**A person is fully vaccinated against COVID-19 if they have received**:

* The full series of a COVID-19 vaccine authorized by Health Canada, or any combination of such vaccines,
* One or two doses of a COVID-19 vaccine not authorized by Health Canada, followed by one dose of a COVID-19 mRNA vaccine authorized by Health Canada, or
* Three doses of a COVID-19 vaccine not authorized by Health Canada.
* They received their final dose of COVID-19 vaccine **at least 14 days** before providing the proof of being fully vaccinated.

Procedure:

Effective on **September 22, 2021**, to enter the City of Woodstock Parks and Recreation facilities, including Reeves Community Complex, Civic Centre Arena, Southside Aquatic Centre, Lions Pool, Cowan Sportsplex with limited exemptions:

* The patron must provide proof of being fully vaccinated and proof of identification (Drivers License, Health Card) at the point of entry.
* Entry staff must review and confirm the proof.
* Other public health and workplace safety measures will still apply, including masking and active COVID-19 screening.

This will apply to any patron **18 years and older** participating in any sport

This will apply to any patron **12 years or older** who will be a spectator for any sport

**If a patron makes the decision to not disclose their vaccination status, they will not be permitted to enter the City of Woodstock recreation facilities.**

**Exemptions:**

In settings where proof of vaccination is required, patrons do not need to prove they are fully vaccinated in the following circumstances:

Individuals under a certain age:

* Children under the age of 12.
* Patrons under 18 years of age who are entering the indoor premises of a facility used for sports and recreational facilities solely for the purpose of actively participating in an organized sport, in accordance with Ministry of Health guidance.
* Coaches, Officials and Volunteers are also exempt

Patrons with a written document by a physician or a nurse practitioner, stating that they are exempt for a medical reason from being fully vaccinated against COVID-19 and the effective time period:

* Must present identification and a written document.

Everyone entering the facilities is required to adhere to Ontario’s Roadmap to Reopen Step 3 Guidelines. These include but are not limited completing COVID-19 active screening, wearing a face mask or face covering.  All coaches and team staff are required to wear a face mask or face covering in all areas of the facilities including the dressing rooms, change rooms, and team benches.  Physical distancing and occupancy limits are in place throughout the facilities