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Information Package Recreational Facilities – Proof of Vaccination

The following information is in **addition** to all other public health measures (e.g., masking, and physical distancing) will continue to apply to patrons.

All patrons entering any South Dundas Recreation Facilities, will have to show proof of identification and proof of full vaccination as of September 22nd, 2021, before entry will be granted. This policy is in place for anyone 12 years of age or older.

The following are exceptions with-in the Reopening Ontario Act, 2020:

- Patrons between the age of 12 and 17 who are entering the facility to **participate** in an organized sport, including training, practices, games, and competitions **do not** require proof of full vaccination and proof of identification. Organized sports would include the participation in sports leagues and kickboxing/dance classes.

An individual is considered fully vaccinated if they have received the full series of a COVID-19 vaccine authorized by Health Canada, or any combination of such vaccines. **The final dose of the COVID-19 vaccine is received at least 14 days before** providing proof of full vaccination upon entry to a Recreational Facility.

Compliance and Enforcement

The Municipality of South Dundas **must require patrons** who enter their premises to provide, at the point of entry, proof of identification and proof of being fully vaccinated (or being entitled to an exemption) as set out in the rules for Step 3 in O. Reg. 364/20 (Rules for Areas at Step 3 and at the Roadmap Exit Step) under the Reopening Ontario (A Flexible Response to COVID-19) Act, 2020, subject to exemptions.

The Municipality of South Dundas is expected to deny entry to those who fail to produce the required identification and proof of vaccination (or exemption).

Where the municipality considers it appropriate, they could seek assistance from law enforcement by contacting their local police department. All Provincial offences officers, including by-law, police, public health inspectors and regulatory officers from several ministries and agencies may provide education and enforcement of all the requirements under the ROA, including the new proof of vaccination requirement.

If situations escalate, law enforcement, such as local police, will be contacted. In an emergency call 9-1-1.

General Additional Information

- 1) As per O. Reg. 364/20, a business or an organization shall not retain any information provided by a patron as it relates to proof of full vaccination. This requirement will help ensure the protection of an individual's health information. Also, that the Municipality must screen an individual each time they enter a facility.
- 2) A patron seeking access to the facility must provide a receipt that shows that they are fully vaccinated.
 - a. Between September 22nd and October 22nd, in addition to proof of identity, a patron must show a paper or digital version of the PDF receipt.
 - b. After October 22nd, in addition to proof of identity, a patron must present a paper or digital version of the PDF receipt or a paper or digital version of the enhanced vaccine certificate with QR code to gain access to the facility
 - c. Altering the appearance of the receipt you receive as proof of full vaccination in any way is not permitted and could render the receipt invalid.

- 3) Proof of full vaccination from outside of Ontario will be accepted if the person's name and date of birth on their identification document matches the vaccination receipt with name and date of birth and if the person is fully vaccinated against COVID-19 as specified by O. Reg. 364/20. Individuals visiting from outside the province, or the country will be required to show their full vaccination status and identification to enter the facility. This may require showing more pieces of information.
- 4) Individuals with medical exemptions will not be required to show proof of a negative COVID-19 test.
- 5) To review proof of a documented medical reason for not being vaccinated against COVID-19, the facility staff will ensure:
 - The name of the person in the written documentation matches the identification provided.
 - The physician or registered nurses in the extended class's information is complete by including:
 - o Name and contact information of the physician or registered nurse in the extended class.
 - o Logo or letterhead identifying the physician or registered nurse in the extended class.
 - o Statement that there is a medical reason for the individual's exemption from being fully vaccinated against COVID-19; and
 - o Any effective time-period for the medical reason which includes the date the patron is seeking access to the facility.
 - Medical Exemptions: Out of province or out of country medical documentation will be honoured if the individual's name, the physician's name, and physician's contact information are provided. The note must clearly state that there is a medical reason for the individual not to be fully vaccinated against COVID-19 and the effective time-period for the medical reason.
- 6) All individuals aged 12 and older must provide proof of identification. The identification requirements are flexible, and identification is required to confirm only name of the person and date of birth – government identification can be used for this purpose; however, is not the only type of ID accepted. Proof of identity can be established using documentation issued by an institution or public body, provided it includes the name of the holder and date of birth. Identification that young people may have access to that include name and date of birth could include birth certificate, or a passport, among other forms of ID.

- 7) The facility may delegate this responsibility to a staff person, but the facility remains responsible for ensuring compliance with the requirements under ROA.