# **Provincial Proof of Vaccination Rules**

Ont. Reg.645/21



- New rules in effect September 22, 2021 apply to patrons, not employees
- Applies to certain indoor locations (+ outdoor areas of nightclubs)
- All other measures in O. Reg. 364/20 remain in effect (capacity limits, patron screening, masking, physical distancing and contact tracing information).

| Locations Where Proof of Vaccination Required  | Comments   |
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| Indoor dining at restaurants/bars  | Does not apply to take-out/delivery  |
| Indoor and outdoor areas of <b>nightclubs</b> and other establishments with dance floors   | Does not apply to take-out/delivery  |
| Indoor meeting and event spaces, conference centres and convention centres   | <ul> <li>Excluding areas used for:</li> <li>Day/overnight camps</li> <li>Child care</li> <li>Social services</li> <li>Courts</li> <li>Government operations</li> </ul> |
| Indoor areas used for <b>sports</b> and recreational <b>fitness</b> activities, including indoor waterparks, pools, gyms and spectator areas | <ul> <li>Excluding areas used for:</li> <li>Day/overnight camps</li> <li>Child care</li> <li>Social services (e.g. shower program for homeless persons)</li> </ul>     |



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| Indoor casinos, bingo halls and gaming establishments   |   |
| Indoor areas of concert venues, theatres & cinemas  | Unless only entering to purchase admission                                  |
| Indoor areas of bathhouses, sex clubs & strip clubs   |   |
| Indoor areas of horse racing & car racing tracks  | Unless only entering to place bet/pick up winnings                          |
| Indoor areas where commercial film or television production is taking place with a <b>studio audience</b> | The studio audience are considered patrons. Does not apply to cast or crew. |

**Note:** Vaccination not required if only entering to use washroom, make a retail purchase, purchase admission, pay for an order or to access an outdoor area, or for health & safety

## Patrons who are exempt

- Under 12 years old
- Under 18 years old entering a sports and recreational facility to actively participate in an <u>organized</u> sport or fitness activity (parents & spectators must be vaccinated)
- Person who produces valid proof of medical exemption

## Rules only apply to specified areas

- Vaccination is not required to enter a community centre in general, only those parts used for sports, meetings, events, theatre etc.
- No vaccination required for libraries
- No vaccination required for outdoor sports facilities

## Weddings, funerals and religious rites & services

| Event   | Location  | Proof of Vaccination  |
|---|---|---|
| Wedding ceremony, funeral services, religious rites or ceremonies                       | Any setting (including meeting or event spaces, places of worship, funeral establishments)  | Not required  |
| Wedding reception   | Indoor meeting/rental event space (including at place of worship)   | Required starting October 13 <sup>th</sup> September 22 <sup>nd</sup> to October 12 <sup>th</sup> only, proof of negative COVID-19 test is an alternative |
| Funeral reception,<br>wake or other<br>social gathering<br>associated with a<br>funeral | Indoor meeting or event spaces located in places of worship, funeral establishments, cemeteries, a crematorium and similar establishments | Not required  |
|   | Other meeting or event spaces (e.g., conference or conventions centres)   | Required starting October 13 <sup>th</sup> September 22 <sup>nd</sup> to October 12 <sup>th</sup> only, proof of negative COVID-19 test is an alternative |

#### **Proof of Vaccination**



Diluent product: Not applicable / Ne s'applique pas

Vaccine administered by / Vaccin administré par: Authorized organization / Organisme agréé:

You have received 2 valid dose(s) / Yous avez recu 2 dose(s) valide(s)

Dosage / Dosage: 0.5ml

COVID-19 vaccination receipt / Récépissé de vaccination contre la COVID-19

- Patrons must show 2 things:
  - Vaccination Receipt\* (in paper or PDF form)
  - Identification with name and DOB (photo not required)

- Business must confirm that a "full series" of COVID-19 vaccines was completed at least 14 days before
- Businesses prohibited from retaining vaccination receipts or vaccination status information. Proof must be provided each time a patron enters
- Free printing of vaccine receipts are available at Mississauga's public libraries

<sup>\*</sup> Issued by Ontario government, another jurisdiction or an Indigenous Health Provider

#### "full series of COVID-19 vaccines"

- (i) the full series of a COVID-19 vaccine authorized by Health Canada, or any combination of such vaccines,
- (ii) 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
- (iii) three doses of a COVID-19 vaccine not authorized by Health Canada (e.g. the Russian Sputnik V vaccine)

## **Medical Exemption Requirements**

- Written document from a physician (designated as "MD") or by a registered nurse in the extended class (designated as "Registered Nurse (Extended Class)", "RN(EC)", "Nurse Practitioner" or "NP")
- Note must include:
  - name of individual
  - name & contact information for physician/RN(EC)
  - logo or letterhead identifying the physician/RN(EC)
  - Statement that there is a medical reason for the individual's exemption from being fully vaccinated against COVID-19
  - any effective time-period for exemption.
- Physicians / RN(EC) are expected to only recognize the following for medical exemption:
  - History of anaphylaxis (severe allergy) to the vaccine or an ingredient of the vaccine
  - individual suffered myocarditis or pericarditis after the first dose of a vaccine

### Compliance

- Failure to comply can result in charges under the Reopening Ontario
   Act. Both patrons and business operators can be charged.
- Part I set fines:
  - \$750 for individuals
  - \$1,000 for corporations
- Maximum penalties under Part I or Part II of the POA:
  - fines of up to \$100,000 and up to a year in jail for an individual
  - up to \$500,000 and up to a year in jail for an individual who is a director or officer of a corporation
  - up to \$10 million for a corporation.

## **Next Steps**

- Develop messaging for residents- outline specific program and facility requirements
- Staff training on regulations and requirements
- Connect with community groups, lease holders, rental clients, registered participants and membership holders
- Updated document on activities and facilities for Council's information

