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**Proof of Vaccine Requirements for Accessing Maitland Recreation Centre and Sifto Arena**

This document is intended to provide you with information regarding current public health regulations for accessing sports and recreational facilities. As information continues to evolve updates will be provided.

In accordance with the Province of Ontario regulation 364/20 as of September 22, 2021, until further notice patrons 12 years and older seeking to enter the Maitland Recreation Centre and Sifto Arena must show proof of identification and proof of being full vaccinated against Covid-19. For further information pertaining to this regulation please visit: [https://covid-19.ontario.ca/index.html](https://covid-19.ontario.ca/index.html)

**Vaccine Verification Process**

All patrons 12 years and older entering the Maitland Recreation Centre will be required to complete a screening assessment. Upon successful screening, patrons will be asked to provide proof of being fully vaccinated against Covid-19 and proof of identification. Fully vaccinated is defined as having two doses at least 14 days prior to the date of visiting the facility. Proof of vaccination will be accepted as long as the person’s name and date of birth on their identification document match the vaccination receipt. Proof of vaccination (as seen below) must be issued through the Ontario Ministry of Health and presented alongside a valid piece of ID.

In accordance with recommendations from Huron Perth Public Health, vaccine verification will be required from eligible players, coaches, bench staff and volunteers along with parent/guardians and spectators entering the facility.

**IMPORTANT NOTE:** Vaccine verification will be required for each visit to the facility and in the event that a patron exits, they will be required to complete the verification process again upon re-entry.
Exemptions

- Children under 12 years of age (are required to be accompanied by a fully vaccinated adult)
- Patrons under 18 years of age who are entering the indoor facility for the purpose of sports and recreation fitness activities solely for the purpose of actively participating in an organized sport
- The exemption does not apply to youth who are spectators at sports events. Spectators under the age of 18 and over 12 will be required to show proof of vaccination.
- Patrons with written documentation from a physician or nurse practitioner stating that the individual is exempt for a medical reason from being fully vaccinated against Covid-19, and the effective time period for the medical reason.

Providing Identification
Valid identification is required to be provided alongside the vaccination receipt and must include the following:
1. Name of the identification holder
2. Date of birth
Photo identification is not required. Examples of acceptable ID: birth certificate, citizenship card, driver’s license, Government issued ID card, Status Card, Passport, Permanent Resident card.

Health Screening
An active screening assessment will be conducted with each participant, parent, coach, volunteer and spectator who enters the facility. A QR code for an online screening tool is available at the entrance to the facility and in the event a patron is not able to complete the screening assessment electronically, a paper copy will be available.

Health screening includes contact tracing information therefore patrons will be asked to provide their name and phone number. This information will be maintained in a database for 30 days as per public health requirements.

Capacity Limits
The maximum number of spectators allowed in the Sifto Arena at one time is 200. Patrons must maintain 2m physical distancing. Masks must be worn indoors at all times with the exception of participants actively participating in sport. The capacity for each dressing room is 30.

Arrival and Departure
Patrons will enter the Maitland Recreation Centre through the front entrance off the main parking lot. Participants are asked not to arrive more than 15 minutes prior to their scheduled time.
Spectators will be asked to remain in the stands unless they are visiting the washrooms or café. **Masks must be worn at all times by spectators.** No gathering in the lobby or main corridor will be permitted. The track and Sky Harbour room are not available for patrons to use for viewing.

Vaccine proof checking will be conducted as efficiently as possible, however it should be expected that it will take time for staff to verify and complete this process. During peak times, additional staff will be scheduled to the best of our ability.

**Policy communication**
Ice user organizations and groups are responsible to provide this information to visiting teams in advance of their arrival at the facility.
Vaccination Requirement Notice

Beginning September 22, as per Ontario regulations, patrons aged 12+ must show proof of full vaccination to enter the Maitland Recreation Centre along with valid ID.

Vaccination status and health screening must be checked each visit.

Arena spectators are required to remain in stands unless visiting restroom or cafe. Spectators must wear a mask and maintain two-metre distancing.
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