

Ringette Saskatchewan COVID-19 Vaccination Policy FAQ's

This document will be updated on an ongoing basis to help answer member questions. Highlighted questions signifies new updates since distribution.

1. What is accepted proof of vaccination?

Accepted proof of COVID-19 vaccination includes:

- Individual COVID-19 vaccination record available through eHealth Saskatchewan's individual MySaskHealthRecord accounts
- Individual COVID-19 vaccination QR code available through eHealth Saskatchewan's individual MySaskHealthRecord accounts
- Immunization wallet card received at the time of vaccination from the Saskatchewan Health Authority or other Provincial health authority
- COVID-19 immunization records from



RECORD OF COVID-19 IMMUNIZATION

Name: _____
 Immunization Date: _____
 Date for 2nd Dose: _____
 Vaccine Manufacturer: _____

HCW: Please report your immunization to SHA OH&S.

Saskatchewan (or
 other Provincial)
 Public Health



2. Who is considered fully vaccinated?

An individual is considered fully vaccinated against COVID-19 14-days after they have received:

- The second of two doses of an mRNA vaccine (Pfizer/Comirnaty, Moderna/Spikevax) or AstraZeneca (Vaxzevria)/COVIDSHIELD (all interchangeable between the two doses), or
- 1 dose of Janssen/Johnson & Johnson vaccine

More information can be found on the Government of Saskatchewan's website [HERE](#)

3. Will my proof of vaccination be collected and stored?

No, your proof of vaccination will not be collected and stored. Once an individual's vaccination status has been verified, there is no further need for retention of such records.

4. Who can I provide my proof of vaccination to?

Proof of vaccination is required by Ringette Saskatchewan. However, a designate from your team or Association will need to verify that information. Once individuals are verified it is determined there is no further need for retention of such records. RAS is trusting each club/team to comply with the policy.

**Note: do not collect or store individuals proof of vaccination records.*

A form has been created to assist teams in collecting the information.

5. Do spectators need to show proof of vaccination?

No, spectators are not required to show proof of vaccination under Ringette Saskatchewan's COVID-19 Vaccination Policy. This may be required by facilities/arenas under additional policies.

6. What is a Health Canada approved COVID-19 vaccine?

Information on Health Canada approved COVID-19 vaccines can be found [HERE](#). Health Canada approved COVID-19 vaccines include:

- Moderna/Spikevax*
- Pfizer-BioNTech/Comirnaty*
- AstraZeneca/Vaxzevria*
- Janssen/Johnson & Johnson*

7. What if I am not fully vaccinated after October 17th deadline?

You will be required to provide a negative COVID-19 test that includes your name and completed within the last 72 hours. Approved COVID-19 test results must be from an [SHA](#) clinic, [Haztech](#), or other SHA approved testing clinics. Rapid or PCR tests will only be accepted if completed by a certified clinic and documentation displays the same name as your photo ID as well as the date of collection and results of the test.

**Note: Due to SHA labs experiencing an increase in volume, anyone who requires proof of a negative test is encouraged to seek private options that can guarantee a timely result.*

8. What if my 14-day post vaccine period is not completed by October 17th?

If you have received a completed series of a Health Canada approved COVID-19 vaccine by October 17, 2021, masks will be required until 14-days after your second dose. You will not be required to provide a negative COVID-19 test.

9. What is a Ringette Saskatchewan sanctioned activity?

Ringette Saskatchewan sanctioned activities include:

- Practices and training sessions (including off-ice team training, power skating, goaltender development, etc.)*
- Athlete evaluations*
- Regular season games*

- Playoff games
- Exhibition games
- Meetings; particularly meetings of the Board of Directors, general meetings, committee meetings, and parent orientations
- Sanctioned tournaments
- Come Try Ringette events
- Provincial playdowns and championships

10. What is the plan for athletes that are turning 12 during the season?

Ringette Saskatchewan is aware this might affect some of our athletes and we're committed to working on an easy transition. On October 1st the provincial government is mandating proof of vaccinations for certain businesses so we feel they will have a plan for this age category that we can adopt. We will communicate that plan in the coming weeks.

All children turning 12 after July 15th, 2021, will have 3 months from their birth date to be fully vaccinated.

11. Do I need to continue wearing a mask after I receive my vaccination?

Effective Friday, September 17, an interim public health order was put in effect requiring the use of non-medical masks in all indoor public spaces in Saskatchewan.

Exempt from the masking order will be indoor youth athletics for those 17 and under while they are actively engaged in athletic activity. 18 and older participants can remove their mask while actively engaging in physical activity once they have provided proof of vaccination. Anyone not vaccinated will need to always wear a mask until the interim public health order on masking has been lifted at which time Ringette Saskatchewan will determine if further action will be required.

12. Are there any exemptions to the proof of vaccination requirement due to medical reasons?

What proof is required?

Individuals applying for a medical exemption must provide a written document completed and supplied from either a physician designated as an MD, or a Registered Nurse in the Extended Class designated as RN(EC) or Nurse Practitioner (NP). The exemption must state 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. The accommodation is only acceptable for the timeframe indicated by the medical professional within the documentation, including the date the individual is seeking access to the facility. The Association is not allowed to keep this document and it must be kept by the individual and shown upon request.

13. Can facilities apply stricter measures than what is outlined in the Ringette Saskatchewan COVID-19 Vaccination Policy?

Yes, facilities are allowed to impose stricter measures. If this occurs, the Team/Association and all their participants, spectators, and family members, must abide by these rules.

14. What happens if I ignore this requirement, or provide false or fraudulent documentation?

Individuals who do not provide proof of vaccination or who have not received a completed series of a Health Canada approved COVID-19 vaccine will not be eligible to participate in any Ringette Saskatchewan sanctioned activity until such time they present satisfactory evidence that they are fully vaccinated.

Individuals providing false or fraudulent documentation will be subject to disciplinary actions, up to and including permanent expulsion from Ringette Saskatchewan.

15. Do coaches and bench staff still need to wear a mask now that there is a Vaccine Policy?

There are no exemptions for coaches or bench staff. Masks are to be always worn as it is a Provincial Health Order. The Vaccine Policy allows for players and on ice officials to remove masks only.