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Erin Mills Soccer Club Proof of Vaccination Requirements – Indoor Facility/Office Space

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Purpose

The purpose of this document is to set forward and establish the proof of full vaccination against COVID-19 requirements for all those that enter the Erin Mills Soccer Club Offices and/or Indoor Facility spaces. As an incorporated business in the Province of Ontario, EMSC must comply with any applicable municipal by-laws issued by local Medical Officers of Health under the Health and Protection and Promotion Act (HPPA), and any other applicable instructions, policies or guidelines issued by the Government of Ontario.

All applicable legislative or regulatory requirements related to health and safety such as those in the Occupational Health and Safety Act (OHSA) and its regulations continue to apply. While the ROA sets out certain specific requirements, with respect to worker health and safety. The OHSA requires that employers must take every precaution reasonable in the circumstances to protect the health and safety of workers. This includes protecting workers from hazards posed by infectious diseases. Employers must meet all requirements under both statutes.

Application

Should an individual choose not to share the required information then, unless the ROA otherwise exempts them from this requirement, they will not be permitted to enter the EMSC Offices & Indoor Facility.

In order to enter the business and organization, with limited exceptions:

- The patron must provide the required proof of identification and proof of being fully vaccinated, and
- The business and organization must review and confirm the proof.

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, or
- 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; and
- They received their final dose of the COVID-19 vaccine at least 14 days before providing the proof of being fully vaccinated.

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Effective September 22, 2021, patrons seeking access to the Erin Mills Soccer Club Offices & Indoor Facility must show proof of identification and proof of being fully vaccinated against COVID-19 before they can enter the area, with limited exceptions.

All other public health and workplace safety measures in <u>O. Reg. 364/20</u> remain in effect (including but not limited to capacity limits, patron screening, masking, physical distancing and collection of patron contact information where required).

Exemptions

The proof of identification and proof of vaccination against COVID-19 requirements under <u>O. Reg. 364/20</u> **do not** apply to:

- a) Workers, contractors, repair workers, delivery workers, students, volunteers, inspectors, or others who are entering the business or organization for work purposes and not as patrons.
- b) A patron who is entering an indoor area solely for the following purposes:
 - to use a washroom;
 - to access an outdoor area that can only be accessed through an indoor route;
 - to make a retail purchase;
 - while placing or picking up an order, including placing a bet or picking up winnings in the case of a horse racing track;
 - while paying for an order;
 - to purchase admission; or
 - as may be necessary for the purposes of health and safety. All other public health measures (e.g., masking and physical distancing) continue to apply to patrons.
- c) Patrons under 12 years of age who are entering the EMSC Indoor facility to used for sports and recreational fitness activities solely for the purpose of actively participating in an organized sport, in accordance with the guidance below and in Appendix A:
 - The exemption relating to youth under 12 years of age actively participating in indoor organized sport applies to training, practices, games, and competitions.

Examples of an organized sport for which the exemption applies include:

- o sports leagues
- o organized pick-up sports

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- o dance classes
- o martial arts
- o swimming classes
- The exemption does not apply to youth who are spectators at the EMSC Indoor Facility. Nor does the exemption apply to youth who are using a gym or other area with exercise equipment or weights unless actively participating in an organized sport.
- Proof of being fully vaccinated against COVID-19 and proof of identification (or proof of being entitled to another exemption) is required for patrons 12 years and older, including parents or guardians of youth actively participating in an organized sport. Proof of identification and proof of being fully vaccinated is not required for workers or volunteers, including coaches and officials.
- d) Patrons who provide a written document, completed, and supplied by 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") 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.

Patrons with a medical exemption are required to present identification and a written document stating the individual is exempt for a medical reason to the business or organization.

To review proof of a medical reason for not being vaccinated against COVID-19, the Erin Mills Soccer Club must ensure:

- The name of the person in the written documentation matches the identification provided.
- The physician's or registered nurse 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 business or organization.

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Vaccine Certification Process

From September 22 to October 22

All Ontarians receiving a vaccine, whether at first dose or second dose, are provided a receipt at the time of vaccination. A paper copy of the receipt is provided on site and an email version is sent to the address provided by the vaccine recipient for the person's records. The receipt includes key information about the vaccination event including the individual's name, date of vaccination and product name of the vaccine received (i.e., Pfizer, Moderna, etc.).

In addition to receiving a receipt on site at the time of vaccination, copies of a COVID-19 vaccination receipt can be downloaded or printed through the <u>COVID-19 vaccination provincial portal</u> or obtained by calling the Provincial Vaccine Booking Line at 1-833-943- 3900. This version of the COVID-19 vaccination receipt contains security measures to deter forgery (see sample below).

All versions of the receipt are acceptable as proof of vaccination. However, a patron seeking access to a business or organization specified in the regulation must provide the receipt that shows that they are fully vaccinated.

Patrons who are visitors to Ontario will be required to show proof of being fully vaccinated against COVID-19 and proof of identification to enter the businesses or organizations specified in <u>O. Reg. 364/20</u> (unless they qualify for an exemption).

Proof of vaccination 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.

Process/Steps Required

- 1. Match the name and the date of birth of the patron listed on the vaccination receipt against the name and date of birth on a piece of identification.
- 2. Verify the receipt is either (a) an Ontario receipt issued at the time of vaccination or any format of receipt downloaded from Ontario.ca that shows the holder is fully vaccinated against COVID-19 (b) a receipt signed by an Indigenous Health Provider, or (c) a receipt from another jurisdiction that shows the holder is fully vaccinated against COVID-19.
- 3. Verify that the receipt shows that the holder is fully vaccinated.
- 4. Verify that the date of administration of the final shot in the series is at least fourteen days prior to the date the patron is seeking access to the business or organization.

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Please see Figure 1 Sample Email Receipt for Example (Below)

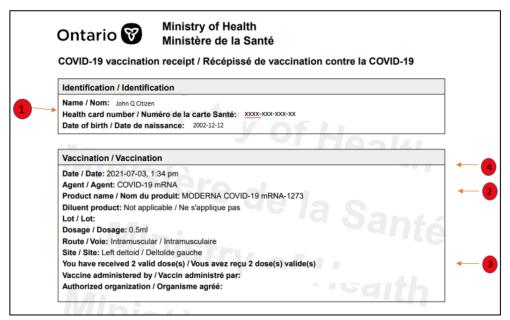


Figure 1 Sample Email Receipt

Proving Identity

Validation of identification must also be undertaken to ensure that vaccination receipt offered by the patron belongs to them. Validation of vaccination will be based on **two key identifiers**:

- 1. Name of the identification holder; and
- 2. Date of birth.

A photo identification is not required.

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. Examples of identification documents that may be used to confirm the identity of the holder of the vaccine receipt include:

- · Birth certificate
- Citizenship card
- Driver's licence
- Government (Ontario or other) issued identification card, including health card
- Indian Status Card /Indigenous Membership Card
- Passport

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• Permanent Resident card

Validation of identification is considered to have been completed/successful when the name and date of birth of the presenter of the vaccination receipt and the name and date of birth on the identification document match. If the name and date of birth on both documents do not match, the individual will not be allowed to enter the business or organization.

For Ontario residents, expired Ontario government issued identification, including drivers' licences, and expired Canadian government issued documents, such as passports, may be provided as proof of identification. Visitors from within Canada may provide expired passports but may not provide expired provincial documents as proof of identification. All patrons visiting from abroad may not provide expired documents as proof of identification.

The patron seeking entry to the business or organization is **solely responsible** for demonstrating that they are the legitimate holder of the vaccination receipt, and that the information being provided is complete and accurate and relates to the patron. If they cannot demonstrate that to the business or organization, the individual will not be allowed to enter.

All EMSC Staff failing to uphold these requirements could face disciplinary action, including unpaid leave and termination of employment contract. These requirements are in place to protect all patrons at EMSC, and any breach can be construed at compromising the safety of yourself and others.

Compliance

As these requirements are specified in the rules for Step 3 under <u>O. Reg. 364/20</u> under the <u>ROA</u>, existing enforcement provisions, as provided for under that Act, apply.

The Erin Mills Soccer Club is responsible for ensuring we meet the requirements regarding proof of identification and proof of vaccination against COVID-19 as outlined in the regulation.

Patrons are required to ensure that any information they provide to the business or organization to demonstrate proof of vaccination (or proof of qualifying for an exemption) and proof of identification is complete and accurate.

<u>Canada's Criminal Code</u> deals with matters such as violent acts and threats. The police should be contacted in these situations. Harassment may also be a matter that falls under the Criminal Code or Ontario's Human Rights Code.

In the event of harassment or threats of acts of violence, law enforcement should be contacted.

Penalties

Failing to comply with the requirements of <u>O. Reg. 364/20</u> can result in charges under the <u>ROA</u>. If charged under Part I of the <u>Provincial Offenses Act</u> (POA), set fine amounts are \$750 for individuals and \$1,000 for corporations.

Next Steps – A Message from the Government of Ontario

Ontario will develop and implement an enhanced digital vaccine certificate with unique QR (Quick Response) code and accompanying verification application that will allow users to securely and safely verify their vaccination status



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when scanned. Smartphone applications providing proof of vaccination will be accessible to people with disabilities and compatible with adaptive technologies, such as screen readers. A paper version of the enhanced vaccine certificate will be downloaded or printed from the <u>COVID-19 vaccination provincial portal</u> or obtained by calling the Provincial Vaccine Contact Centre at 1-833-943-3900.

The enhanced vaccine certificate, as well as a verification app to allow businesses or organizations to read the QR code, will be available beginning October 22. Following this date, patrons will be able to provide a paper copy or a digital copy of their enhanced vaccine certificate with QR to provide proof of vaccination. Older versions of the receipt will still be acceptable as proof of vaccination. This guidance will be updated to reflect the new processes.

The guidance provided in this document is subject to updates, as required, due to changes in COVID-19 cases, public health advice and direction, and ongoing engagement with Indigenous communities and organizations, including ensuring OCAP principles are fully met.

Continued Requirements and Practices at EMSC

As the situation surround the COVID-19 pandemic continues to be fluid, EMSC will strive to provide all the necessary community to the members and stakeholders. EMSC will continue to enforce the following:

- Require anyone entering the EMSC premises to be wearing a mask/face covering, which must cover mouth and nose
- Consistently/Regularly clean / sanitize / disinfect all workspaces, equipment, tools, and high traffic areas on the premises
- Conduct contact tracing for all programming and facility rentals

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Appendix A: Requirements for Patrons in Indoor Sport and Recreational Fitness Facilities

Setting	Activity	Proof of Vaccination
Indoor premises of a facility used for sports and recreational fitness activities	Youth under 18 years of age actively participating in an organized sport, including training, practices, games and competitions. Examples include: • sports leagues • organized pick-up sports • dance classes • martial arts • swimming classes	Not required
	Youth under 18 years of age using a gym or other area with exercise equipment or weights	Required*
	Youth spectating, including at sporting events	Required*
	Adult (18+) patrons accessing the facility for any purpose, including parents or guardians of youth participating in an organized sport	Required*

^{*}unless patron qualifies for an exemption

Note: Proof of vaccination (or proof of being entitled to an exemption) is not required for workers or volunteers, including coaches and officials.

Resource

Government of Ontario Proof of Vaccination Guidance for Business and Organizations under the Ontario ROA