

Town of Halton Hills
User Group Protocols Sept 17th 2021



The Provincial government as of Sept 22, 2021, has implemented requirements for patrons entering our facilities to show proof of being fully vaccinated from COVID19, some exceptions do apply.

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.

In reading the regulations, the following is highlighted for facilities for recreation and sport.

- Participants under 12 years old will not require proof of vaccination.
- Participants under 18 years of age are exempt and will not require proof of vaccination if they are actively participating in indoor organized sport such as training, practices, games and competitions.
- The exemption does not apply to youth who are spectators at sporting events.
- Proof of being fully vaccinated and proof of identification (or proof of being entitled to another exemption) is required for participants and spectators 18 years and older (including parents or guardians of youth actively participating in an organized sport).
- Parents are exempt from providing proof of vaccination if they are entering the premises only to drop off/pick up their child.
- **Proof of vaccination (or proof of being entitled to an exemption) is not required for workers or volunteers, including coaches and officials.**

Use the link below to obtain proof of vaccination.

<https://covid19.ontariohealth.ca/>

Please note that additional measure are being taking at our entrances to help speed up the check-in process. Additional ambassadors and security will be in place.

We ask for your patience during this time as we may experience delays within facilities as we adjust to this new process.

Facility Protocols

- As per Provincial Regulations the Facility Capacity is impacted by the 2m physical distancing requirement. Capacities differ by facility, area or room, numbers are posted at each entrance.
- Every person in an indoor area of the facility must maintain a physical distance of at least two metres (6ft) from every other person in the establishment except from their caregiver or from members of the person's household.
- Masks must be worn inside the facility unless actively participating in a physical activity.
- If maximum capacities are being met in a particular space, change room or players bench for example, we ask that patrons wait until others leave the space before entering.
- Changeroom occupancy differs in each facility/rink depending on the specific room size, additional bench seating will be made available outside of the change room. Including
- To assist in maintaining capacity we ask that there is no standing or congregating in lobbies. Lobby capacities will be posted. To assist with this please go straight to the assigned room/area when entering and then exit the facility immediately after the activity/event is finished.
- Two (2) parent/guardian per family/group is permitted in the facility as an observer. Spectator seating will remain open with posted capacity restrictions.
- The number of people permitted in the public washrooms is restricted to 2 people maximum at any one time. Town staff will be locking every other stall, blocking/bagging off urinals and sinks, etc.
- Coaches and instructors are responsible to supervise their participants and to ensure all protocols including 6' distancing off ice/floor and facility requirements are being followed.
- Town staff will maintain cleaning and sanitization in all high use areas (washrooms, lobbies, entrances, benches & dressing rooms).

Entering the Facility

- Participants will use the entrance that corresponds to the building area their program is scheduled.
 - Mold-Masters SportsPlex
 - Alcott & Fernbrook – Southeast entrance (under canopy)
 - TransCanada – Main Northeast Entrance (near stairs)
 - Saputo – Rear West Entrance
 - Acton Area –
 - Townsley- Main front entrance
 - Leisure Pad – Main front entrance
 - McKnight – West side entrance
- Due to capacity restrictions groups will not be allowed to enter the facility more than **20 minutes** before each practice or game.
- The Town Ambassador will ask each patron to show the green check mark that was given by completing the Halton Hills Simple track COVID screening questionnaire. This will be required the day of entering the facility. This is for Health unit tracking in case of an outbreak.
- The Town ambassador will be accounting for each patron entering the facility and confirm that they are here for their designated time slot.
- Each team will be assigned a change room number and are to maintain 6 ft physical distancing within the change room
- Hand sanitizer will be made available throughout the facility.