

WLMHA COVID Proof of Vaccine Plan

In accordance with the latest Public Health Order, Interior Health orders, and ViaSport/BC Hockey guidelines, starting November 12th, the Cariboo Memorial Complex and the WLMHA will be requiring proof of vaccine for **ALL unpaid supervisor/coach/volunteer supervising or assisting with indoor and outdoor youth sport**. This includes all **coaches, team officials, and game day volunteers, ages 12 and over**, along with all **officials, ages 19 and over**.

On November 12th, this will replace the previously released COVID Spectator Plan. There will be **no stated exemptions** for proof of vaccine requirements to enter the rink areas.

Reference:

[BC Government Public Health Order Information](#)

[Interior Health Authority Provincial and Regional Restrictions](#)

[ViaSport Guidelines](#)

To streamline this, we will establish a process to check the proof of vaccine for the following groups so that they will not have to provide proof of vaccine time:

1. COACHES/TEAM OFFICIALS

- Division coordinators will be required to confirm the proof of vaccine for all coaches, assistant coaches, on-ice helpers, team managers, and HCSPs ages 12 and over. Once this has been confirmed, a document will be signed verifying that all these volunteers have provided proof of vaccine. This document will be kept on file in the WLMHA office. Upon completion, these volunteers will no longer have to provide proof of vaccine when entering the arena.

2. OFFICIALS

- The WLMHA Referee-In-Chief will be required to confirm the proof of vaccine for all officials ages 19 and over. Once this has been confirmed, a document will be signed verifying that all these officials have provided proof of vaccine. This document will be kept on file in the WLMHA office. Upon completion, these officials will no longer have to provide proof of vaccine when entering the arena.

3. EXECUTIVE

- The WLMHA president will be required to confirm the proof of vaccine for all members of the WLMHA executive. Once this has been confirmed, a document will be signed verifying that all these officials have provided proof of vaccine. This document will be kept on file in the WLMHA office. Upon completion, these officials will no longer have to provide proof of vaccine when entering the arena.

SPECTATORS/GAME DAY VOLUNTEERS

Rink 1:

- Spectators/game day volunteers will only be allowed to enter the rink through the designated entrance
- Outside that entrance, a table will be set up with two volunteers to check proof of vaccination.
- Volunteers at the table will be required to download the official BC Vaccine Card Verifier App to ensure valid proof of vaccination.
- All spectators/game day volunteers 19 and over will be required to present proof of vaccination **AND** a piece of valid government ID. Volunteers will check that the proof of vaccination is valid using the App, and that it matches the ID.
- All spectators/game day volunteers 12 – 18 inclusive will only be required to present proof of vaccination. Volunteers will check that the proof of vaccination is valid using the App.
- Spectators/game day volunteers will have their hand stamped to allow for quick identification and re-entry for security purposes. Otherwise, all re-entries will require proof of vaccination as outlined above.
- All spectators/game day volunteers with a proof of vaccination will be allowed into the rink area, up to a maximum of 550.
- Two volunteers will monitor the rink entrance to assist with security.
- Two volunteers will monitor the dressing room tunnel area to ensure that no spectators enter the rink area through that entrance without proof of vaccination

Rink 2

- Spectators/game day volunteers will only be allowed to enter the rink through the designated entrance
- Outside that entrance, a table will be set up with two volunteers.
- Volunteers at the table will be required to download the official BC Vaccine Card Verifier App to ensure valid proof of vaccination.
- All spectators/game day volunteers 19 and over will be required to present proof of vaccination **AND** a piece of valid government ID. Volunteers will check that the proof of vaccination is valid using the App, and that it matches the ID.
- All spectators/game day volunteers 12 – 18 inclusive will only be required to present proof of vaccination. Volunteers will check that the proof of vaccination is valid using the App.
- Spectators/game day volunteers may have their hand stamped to allow for quick identification and re-entry for security purposes. Otherwise, all re-entries will require proof of vaccination as outlined above.
- All spectators/game day volunteers with a proof of vaccination will be allowed into the rink area, up to a maximum of 150
- Two volunteers will monitor the rink entrance to assist with security.
- Two volunteers will monitor the rink entrance from the dressing room tunnel area to ensure that no spectators enter the rink area through that entrance without proof of vaccination.

The following rules will be in effect for both Rink 1 and Rink 2:

1. Masks are mandatory for everyone in the facility ages 5 and up.
2. Physical Distance – Please stay 6 ft (2m) apart whenever possible.
3. Do not enter the facility if you feel ill or have flu-like symptoms.
4. WLMHA has a **ZERO TOLERANCE** policy for any abuse of our volunteers in respect to these protocols.

Teams/coordinators that refuse to follow this plan or are found to be negligent in enforcing this plan, may be asked to leave or suspended from game play, following executive review.

Notes On Game Day Volunteers:

- Game day volunteers **ARE NOT EXEMPT** from proof of vaccine requirements
- For games involving only Williams Lake teams, each team will be required to supply 3 volunteers (1 for checking proof of vaccination, 1 for entrance security, 1 for tunnel security) for 6 total, unless agreed upon by team managers/division coordinators.
- For games involving out of town teams, the home team will be responsible for supplying all volunteers, unless agreed upon by team managers. Team managers or division coordinators may designate volunteer positions to out of town teams at their discretion.
- The following game day volunteer positions are **REQUIRED** on each rink for each ice time:
 - o 2 COVID proof of vaccine managers (designated by lanyards)
 - o 2 Security at the door to assist the proof of vaccine managers (designated by lanyards)
 - o 2 Security in the tunnel (designated by lanyards)
 - o 2 Security within the rink area (standing away from the spectators, crowd control, may be the same as the proof of vaccine managers or the security at the door)
 - o Score Clock
 - o Scoresheet
 - o 2 Penalty Box attendants (optional)