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## **News Release**

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## **Proof of vaccination required to access recreation centres**

Area residents will require proof of vaccination status starting September 22 to access certain public settings and facilities as the Ontario government imposes the COVID-19 vaccine certificate. The Town of Orangeville is working to implement <u>Ontario's vaccine certificate</u> that restricts access to unvaccinated residents at certain indoor facilities, such as recreation centres.

Ontarians need to be fully vaccinated (two doses plus 14 days) and provide their proof of vaccination along with government-issued ID to access municipal recreation centres. That proof is needed as follows:

- youth under 18 years of age using a gym or other area with exercise equipment or weights
- youth under 18 years of age spectating, including at sporting events
- adult (18+) patrons accessing the facility for any purpose, including parents or guardians
  of youth participating in an organized sport
- adults (18+) as the parent/guardian required to participate in their child's lesson i.e. swimming lesson
- adults (18+) participating in Town recreation programs such as fitness classes, shinny, recreational skating, lane swims, public swims, walking track
- youth under 18 years of age will **not** be required to show proof of vaccination if actively participating in an organized sport, including training, practices, games and competitions (examples: sports leagues, organized pick-up sports, swimming lessons)

Individuals who do not show proof of vaccination will not be permitted to enter the facility or participate in indoor programming, unless they fall under an exemption in the provincial public health orders.

Once proof of vaccination is provided and you enter the facilities, safety protocols will continue to be in place, including physical distancing, pre-screening of program participants, wearing of masks, reduced rental and program capacity, and enhanced cleaning and sanitization protocols.

Ontarians who registered their vaccines should download their vaccine receipt as proof of vaccine status until an enhanced vaccine certificate with a QR code is available. Visitors and participants must also bring a piece of government-issued identification to confirm that their identity matches their COVID-19 proof of vaccination.



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For a complete list of recreation programs or to register, visit <u>Orangeville Recreation</u>. All individuals must register and pay in advance for all recreation drop-in classes, programs and rentals. No walk-in programs or activities are being offered.

Registration for all pre-registered time slots are available 75 hours prior. Please sign up for only one time slot per day, as spaces are limited. If you need assistance with online pre-registration, contact Customer Service at 519-940-9092 Monday to Friday 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. To ensure a smooth online registration, log in to your account prior to registration. If you forget your login username or password, call the number above or email <u>recreation@orangeville.ca</u>.