

NEW PROOF OF VACCINATION RESOURCE FOR RECREATION SPACES AND FACILITIES



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS:

Who needs to show proof of vaccination?

Everyone aged 12 and over must show proof of vaccination to access certain events, services, and businesses.

Accepted proof of vaccination:

- MyHealthNB record
- Immunization record from an RHA clinic, pharmacy, or Public Health
- Photo or copy of an immunization record
- Proof of Vaccination from another jurisdiction
- Medical exemption certificate

What if a patron has a medical exemption from getting a vaccine?

If they cannot receive a vaccine because of a medical exemption, they are required to show proof of exemption signed by a healthcare provider.

Can people be fined for not complying or providing false documentation?

An individual providing false proof of vaccination, or a false vaccination exemption would commit offences and be subject to fines from to enforcement officers.

Recreation and sport facilities/events that need to verify proof of vaccination from all patrons, customers and participants:

- Indoor festivals, performing arts and sporting events
- Gyms, indoor group exercise, indoor pools, and recreation facilities
- Indoor organized gatherings like weddings, funerals, parties (excluding parties in a private dwelling), conferences and workshops
- Indoor organized group recreational classes and activities

Will my facility/department need to keep records or collect information?

There will be no collection of information or keeping of records.

Can a business or organization be fined?

A business failing to comply with the requirement to check vaccination status of patrons' exemption would commit offences and would be subject to a fine from an enforcement officers.

What are the fines?

These offences would be a Category B offence under the Provincial Offences Procedures Act with fines ranging from \$172.50 to \$772.50 (these include a 20% victim surcharge and a \$4.50 administrative fee.)

How will this be monitored to ensure people and businesses/organizations are complying?

Enforcement officers can randomly visit the locations listed in the regulation to confirm compliance with the regulation.

Other Considerations for facility operators

- Recreation NB | Loisirs N.-B. encourages facility managers to meet with regular users to go over the process for vaccination verification. A collaborative approach will make it easier for everyone.
- You may have an agreement in place with various user groups to police their own members/attendees, but the responsibility remains with the facility to ensure safety protocols are in place and all user groups are following the appropriate Public Health measures. We encourage you to speak with your municipal legal council to ensure your rental agreements are updated and following the latest regulations.

