

Updates to Public Health Orders for Sport (Adapted from the [viaSport Guidelines](#))

The most recent updates from the PHO on it's Order on [Gatherings and Events](#) as it relates to sport is summarized in the following [chart](#).

Important updates of October 25, 2021 for OUTDOOR sport:

- Any unpaid supervisor/coach/volunteer supervising or assisting with indoor and outdoor youth sport must show proof of full vaccination for Covid-19 (two doses).
- Adult and youth spectators must show proof of full Covid-19 vaccination (two doses) at indoor sport and activities.
 - Proof of vaccination is not required for outdoor spectators.
- Indoor sport participants **22 and older** must show proof of full Covid-19 vaccination (two doses).
- Youth 12 and older participating in sport events and programs primarily with adults must show proof of full Covid-19 vaccination (two doses).
- Organizers of events and programs must check proof of vaccination for indoor and outdoor sport.
- Youth participants (21 and under) in a child and youth sport event or program **do not** need to show proof of vaccination.
- Employees working in sport activities or programming in their employment capacity **do not** need to show proof of vaccination.
 - Some organizations may require employees to show proof of vaccination as part of the terms of their employment.
- Training and competing is permitted.
- Physical distancing does not need to be maintained on the field of play.
- Masks are not required on the field of play.
- Any unpaid supervisor/coach/volunteer supervising or assisting with indoor and outdoor youth sport must show proof of vaccine (two doses).
- Masks are required in all public indoor settings for all people ages 5+. Club lodges and facilities require masks.
- There are no restrictions for travel within Canada.

- There are no restrictions on shared equipment.
- There may be additional restrictions in specific health regions.

For sport organizers: Information for event and program organizers on how to check proof of vaccination can be found [here](#).

To make return visits easier, with written consent, you can record whether a person has provided proof of vaccination.

Do not keep a copy of a person's ID or proof of vaccination QR code.

See Section D of the Order for more information.

Capacity for spectators Outdoor sport activities can have 5,000 spectators or 50 per cent seated capacity, whichever is greater. For example, if the venue has a normal seated capacity of 30,000 people, 15,000 spectators can attend. Seats must be provided for everyone.

There are no capacity restrictions on indoor sport activities. All spectators must have a seat. Proof of vaccination is required for all spectators at indoor sporting events.

Please note that Individual clubs and sports organizations may implement additional Covid restrictions.

- Sovereign Lake Nordic Club has instituted a mandatory vaccination requirement for all athletes, support staff, and coaches attending any race, training camp or organized sports activity on their trails. <https://www.sovereignlake.com/covid-19-protocols-and-communications-page/>
- The BC Games Society is requiring vaccination for all athletes, volunteers, guests, and spectators at the 2022 BC Winter Games in Vernon in late February. <https://www.bcgames.org/News/Latest-News>