



COVID-19 Vaccine Certificate Guidelines and Procedure

The Municipality of Brockton is committed to providing a safe, enjoyable recreation experience for all participants, guests and staff visiting our facilities.

The public are expected to follow provincial protocols under the [Ontario Reopening Plan](#).

Commencing Wednesday September 22, 2021, Ontarians will need to be fully vaccinated (two doses plus 14 days) and provide proof of vaccination along with photo ID to access certain public settings and facilities, this includes community centre facilities used for sports and fitness activities, personal fitness training, such as gyms, fitness and recreational facilities, meetings and event facilities.

Vaccination certificates may be obtained by visiting <https://covid-19.ontario.ca/covid-19-vaccine-booking-support#proof-of-vaccination>.

This document outlines the procedure for verifying vaccine certificates for members of the public wishing to visit or participate in indoor programs at any of the following facilities owned by the Municipality Brockton:

- Walkerton Community Centre
- Cargill Community Centre
- Elmwood Community Centre
- Bradley School House

The guidelines and procedures laid out in this document are subject to change in accordance to [Ontario Regulation 645/21 under the Reopening Ontario \(A flexible Response to Covid-19\) Act, 2020](#), and local public health recommendations.

Further guidance is also available from the Ministry of Health document [Proof of Vaccination Guidance for Businesses and Organizations under the Reopening Ontario Act - Version 1 – September 14, 2021](#)

All other public health and workplace safety measures in [O. Reg. 364/20](#) remain in effect (including but not limited to capacity limits, patron screening, masking, physical distancing and collection of patron contact information where required).

Who is required to show a Vaccine Certificate?

- All Individuals 12 years of age and older (except those exempt), participating in the following types of Municipality of Brockton programs:
 - Registered and Drop-in recreation programs i.e. pickleball, public skating;
 - Registered fitness programs i.e. fitness classes;
 - Parents participating in parent/child lessons or spectating their child's program/lessons.
- Visitors to Municipality of Brockton community/recreation centres for the purpose of:
 - Spectator
 - Participant of meeting or event i.e. hall rental

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The following exemptions apply:

- All individuals under 18 years of age, who are entering the indoor premises of a facility used for sport and recreational fitness activities **solely for the purpose of actively participating in an organized sport**. Please note: The governing body for your sport may have additional requirements, please refer to your sport specific return to play document or speak with members of your organization for more information.
- The exemption relating to youth under 18 years of age actively participating in indoor organized sport applies to training, practices, games and competitions.
- Workers, contractors, repair workers, delivery workers, students, volunteers, inspectors or others who are entering Municipality of Brockton facilities for work purposes and not as patrons.
- A patron who is entering an indoor area solely for the following purposes:
 - To use a washroom
 - To access an outdoor area that can only be accessed through an indoor route
 - To make a retail purchase
 - To register for a program or purchase admission; or
 - As may be necessary for the purposes of health and safety.
- Patrons who provide a written document, completed and supplied by a physician (designated as “MD”) or by a registered nurse in the extended class (designated as “Registered Nurse (Extended Class)”, “RN(EC)”, “Nurse Practitioner” or “NP”) stating that the individual is exempt for a medical reason from being fully vaccinated against COVID-19 and the effective time-period for the medical reason.
- Patrons who are entering the indoor premises of a meeting or event space solely for the purposes of attending a wedding service, rite or ceremony or a funeral service, rite or ceremony, but **not an associated social gathering**.
- For the period of September 22, 2021 – October 12, 2021 individuals over the age of 18 attending a recreational facility **for a social gathering** associated with a wedding service, rite of ceremony or a funeral may produce the results of an antigen test administered within the previous 48 hours establishing that the person is negative for COVID-19 as an alternative to proof of vaccination or vaccine certificate. The Municipality of Brockton will not supply or reimburse the cost of rapid antigen tests.

Validating Vaccine Certificates (Revised September 23, 2021)

- As of September 22, 2021, municipal staff and/or security will be verifying proof of vaccination and identification upon arrival at all recreation/community centre facilities as required by the Province.
- Vaccination status will not be kept on file and must be presented at each visit.

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In addition, the following provincial requirements are still in effect;

- Covid-19 health screening prior to arrival or upon arrival will still be required. Members of a sport organization will use the screening tool made available by their respective organization. All other programs will use Municipality of Brockton screening tools available upon entrance or provided during time of registration.
- Masks/face coverings are required in all general public areas. Masks/face coverings may be removed while actively participating in sport or fitness programming. Upon completion of sport or fitness activities masks must be immediately donned.

***This Policy may be revised from time to time to address public health guidance and Provincial regulation and requirements.**

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