



# Facility Protocols: Ice Rental Groups (Effective September 22, 2021)

## Proof of Vaccination

On Sept. 1, 2021, the Ontario Government announced the implementation of a vaccine certificate program in Ontario. Effective September 22, 2021 in order to enter a business and organization:

1. The patron must provide the required proof of identification and proof of being fully vaccinated, and
2. The business and/or organization must review and confirm the proof

As per the Province's guidelines, an individual is considered fully vaccinated if they have received:

- The full series of a COVID-19 vaccine authorized by Health Canada, or any combination of such vaccines, or
- One or two doses of a COVID-19 vaccine not authorized by Health Canada, followed by one dose of a COVID-19 mRNA vaccine authorized by Health Canada, or
- Three doses of a COVID-19 vaccine not authorized by Health Canada; and
- They received their final dose of the COVID-19 vaccine at least 14 days before providing the proof of being fully vaccinated

There are a number of exemptions to the proof of vaccination requirements. The requirements do not apply to:

- Children under 12 years of age
- Any patron 12 years of age and older with written documentation supplied by a physician or nurse practitioner indicating a medical reason for not being fully vaccinated and government issued identification
- Youth under 18 years entering the facility for the purpose of actively participating in an organized sport and associated coaches, volunteers and officials involved with organized sport are exempt. Examples of this activity include sports leagues, swimming lessons, dance classes, martial arts and applies to training, practices, games and competitions.

Please view additional info regarding the proof of vaccine certificate at the link below:

<https://www.milton.ca/en/living-in-milton/vaccine-certificate-program.aspx>

We ask for your patience and cooperation during this time as we may experience delays within facilities as we adjust to this new process.

## General Requirements

- As per the Region of Halton by-law, all participants, coaches, and parents/guardians are required to wear face masks/coverings prior to entering the facility and continue to wear it at all times while in the building unless participating on the ice. Masks must be worn at all times in the dressing room by both players and parents/guardians. For more details on the by-law including a list of exemptions please visit [www.halton.ca](http://www.halton.ca)
- Physical distancing (2M) must be maintained at all times while in the facility unless you are from the same household or actively participating on the ice.

## Entering and Exiting the Facility

- Milton Sports Centre
  - Enter through the south entrance only (across from the customer service desk) and proceed to your designated rink following the signs in the lobby. Exit via the same doors you entered.
- Sherwood Community Centre
  - Enter through the main entrance and proceed to your designated rink following the signs in the lobby. Exit via the same doors you entered.
- Memorial Arena
  - Enter through the main entrance (off Thompson Rd) and proceed to your designated rink. Exit via the same doors you entered or via the north doors located between the dressing rooms.
- Tonelli Arena
  - Enter through the main entrance and proceed to your designated rink following the signs in the lobby. Exit via the same doors you entered.
- Admission to the facility will commence fifteen (15) minutes prior to the start of the rental time. Participants arriving earlier than fifteen (15) minutes prior to the start of their rental time will be asked to wait outside of the building. Dressing in equipment in advance of coming to the facility is recommended.
- Participants, coaches, and parents/guardians are to follow posted self-screening guidelines before entering the facility. Patrons will also be actively screened by Town staff upon entry.

## Capacity Limits and Dressing Rooms

- Under the Provincial re-opening regulations in step 3, indoor spaces are subject to a 50% capacity limit. The maximum occupancy in each dressing room is 10 (in some arenas the capacity is less). Each group will be assigned two dressing rooms (one for each team if a game). When there is a request for more than 20 players on the ice in a session, each group will need to work with Town staff and submit a plan on how to accommodate the requested number of players based on dressing room limitations.
- Please note that at the Sherwood Community Centre and Milton Sports Centre additional chairs (10 chairs) will be setup as staging areas just outside of dressing

rooms for players to put on skates. Patrons are not permitted to fully dress or undress on the chairs in public areas.

- Participants will be notified on the video boards, located above the customer service desk, which dressing rooms their group are permitted to use. It is important that all groups adhere to their room assignments for cleaning schedules
- Players are to sit on the bench where there is an X marked.
- Participants who require assistance may have their parent/guardian assist with putting on equipment (tying of skates etc.), and then must proceed immediately to the designated viewing areas within the arena. While not a requirement, we encourage players to come as fully dressed as possible in order to minimize time required in the dressing room.
- Showers are permitted
- Hockey bags are permitted
- Please note that all players are required to exit the dressing rooms no more than 15 minutes after the rental concludes.

## Spectators

- Spectator capacities in the designated seating areas are as follows and will be closely monitored:
  - Sherwood Rink 1 and Sherwood Rink 2 - 125
  - MSC Rink D - 250
  - MSC Rink A,B and C - 125
  - Memorial - 250
  - Tonelli - 125
- Spectators must wear masks at all times and must physical distance unless from the same household.
- Spectators are encouraged to use designated seating areas in each rink and not watch from or loiter in the lobby.
- Spectators must enter and exit the facility in the same manner as players.