

COVID-19 Vaccination Policy For CSCM Ontario Branch Events

As we are all aware, Clubs are operating in a unique and extraordinary period. After significant consideration, and taking into account the Ontario Provincial regulation on mandatory vaccines and vaccine passports for non-essential services, and in doing our outmost to protect the branch Members and guests, the branch is introducing a vaccination policy for COVID-19 for Ontario Branch events.

This policy will come into effect on December 8, 2021, and is applicable to all events the branch may hold in future.

This policy applies to all Members and their guests over the age of 11 with the exception of those Members in need of an accommodation from this policy as permitted under the Ontario Human Rights Code. Members and guests requesting an accommodation will be required to show proof to justify their request. Those requesting accommodation must do so with a minimum of 72 hours advance notice and must comply with the testing noted below.

All vaccinations are to be carried out in accordance with government protocols. For the purposes of this policy, fully vaccinated means having received the full series (all doses) of an accepted COVID-19 vaccine or a combination of accepted vaccines and having received the final dose of the series at least 14 days prior to participating. "Accepted vaccines" are those approved for use in Canada by Health Canada (currently Pfizer-BioNTech, Moderna, AstraZeneca and Janssen/Johnson & Johnson).

All attendees must provide proof of vaccination in accordance with the Provincial Vaccine Passport regulations, as outlined below. In order to safeguard Member and guest information, Lisa Noonan, Branch Administrator will serve as the Privacy Officer for the Branch.

Attendees may choose to submit a copy of their vaccine receipt in advance by email to ob.cscm@gmail.com, or display a copy of their receipt or QR code, along with a form of identification, in person on your first event participation. This information is for verification purposes only and will not be retained by the Branch. A list of attendees who have submitted their vaccination receipts will be kept on file with the Branch Administrator.

In the event an attendee does not secure a vaccination without reasonable validation as outlined above, and provide documented proof thereof, that Member will not be permitted to attend the event. Attendees who have been granted accommodation will be required to provide the Administrator with negative COVID-19 test result from a Rapid Point-Of-Care (PCR) test taken within 48-hours prior to attending the event, and performed by a recognized service provider. Or alternatively, a Rapid PCR test can be provided at the event, the cost of which will be borne by the attendee.

Should a host Club policy require additional or alternate requirements, those requirements shall override this policy provided the host Club policy requirements are greater than the Branch Policy.

Approved by the Ontario Branch Board of Directors on December 7, 2021.