

### **Why does the government say it is needed?**

The intention of the passport, the government says, is to avoid the widespread closures that marked earlier waves of COVID-19 in Ontario and allow people, as much as possible, to return to regular activities.

### **What if I don't have a smartphone to download the digital certificate?**

The QR code for the app could be printed out. As of September 22, individuals can show a hardcopy vaccination receipt along with a photo ID, so this can all be done without a phone.

On October 22, the province aims to launch a QR code and verification app for businesses to streamline the process. Individuals can provide proof of immunization by downloading or printing their vaccine receipt from the [provincial booking portal](#).

### **What if I can't get vaccinated?**

People who cannot receive the vaccine due to medical exemptions will be permitted entry with a doctor's note until recognized medical exemptions can be integrated as part of a digital vaccine certificate.

Children who are 12 years of age and younger and unable to be vaccinated will also be exempted from these requirements.

For those that refuse to disclose their vaccination status, we will not permit access to settings or programs that require proof of vaccination.

### **What if I forget my phone or hardcopies?**

Unfortunately staff will not be able to allow you to proceed to your activity. Individuals or businesses that do not follow the rules could face a series of fines under Ontario's Reopening Act. These include fines of \$750 and up for people.

### **Do I need to provide the vaccination verification if I am watching my child or dropping them off?**

Yes, you will need to provide proof of vaccination if you are watching your child or remaining in the facility. You will be permitted to drop off and not remain in the building without proof of vaccination.

### **Do I need to provide the vaccination status if I am dropping off something or making an inquiry?**

No

**What if I show up with a group of friends and one of us doesn't have the required QR code or vaccination confirmation?**

Unfortunately, staff will not be able to permit patrons without vaccination verification to proceed to their activity. Individuals or businesses that do not follow the rules could face a series of fines under Ontario's Reopening Act. These include fines of \$750 and up for people.

**What is required if I am participating in an ice sport at IPSC, McKinney or LVMA**

Under Ontario Regulations 645/21 made under the *Reopening Ontario Act, 2020*, those under 18 years of age, and who are entering the indoor premises of a facility used for sports and recreational fitness activities solely for the purpose of actively participating in an organized sport in accordance with the Ministry of Health are exempt. Spectators 12+ will be required to show their vaccination verification as well as identification. Proof of identification and proof of being fully vaccinated is not required for workers or volunteers, including coaches and officials.

**What is required if I am participating in a Recreation program or a Community Centre Permitted Activity?**

All indoor participants will be required to show their vaccination verification as well as identification.

**What is required if I am swimming, participating in a program or swimming as part of the Whitby Swim Club at Anne Ottenbrite?**

On September 22, visitors 12+ years will be required to show their vaccination verification and identification to participate in most Town of Whitby Program. Under Ontario Regulations 645/21 made under the *Reopening Ontario Act, 2020*, Members of the Whitby Swim Club who are under 18 years of age, and who are entering the indoor premises of a facility used for sports and recreational fitness activities solely for the purpose of actively participating in an organized sport in accordance with the Ministry of Health are exempt. Spectators 12+ will be required to show their vaccination verification as well as identification.

**What sort of identification is required to confirm my identity?**

Proof of identity can be established using documentation issued by an institution of public body, provided it includes the name of the holder and date of birth. Examples includes:

- Birth certificate
- Citizenship card
- Driver's license
- Government (Ontario or other issued identification card, including health card
- Indian Status Card / Indigenous Membership Card
- Passport
- Permanent Resident Card