

**DUE TO EVOLVING PUBLIC HEALTH PROTOCOLS, THIS INFORMATION IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE AT ANY TIME. This chart is current as of December 23, 2021.**

## CURRENT PHO ORDER

### All indoor and outdoor sport restrictions

- Sport tournaments are not allowed at this time
  - Tournaments are a single or multi-day gathering of three or more sport teams, who come together outside regular league play but does not include:
    - A gathering where team members compete on an individual basis against members of other teams, or
    - A gathering where the result will decide if a team will advance to play in a national or international competition.
- Interprovincial travel and international travel for sport is not advised
- All activities that would typically take place in a sport environment (other than tournaments) may continue
- High performance athletes are exempt from the Order. They can train, travel or compete in accordance with the athlete's respective PSO, NSO and Canadian Sport Institute Pacific COVID-19 safety protocols.
  - High performance athlete means a person who is identified by the Canadian Sport Institute Pacific as a high-performance athlete affiliated with an accredited provincial or national sports organization
- Spectators: seated and standing capacity is at 50%
- Adult indoor and mixed-age sport and recreation programs (including pool-based) are at 50% of capacity/occupancy of the space
- Children and youth programs remain at 100% capacity/occupancy

### Indoor sport

- Group Size: There is no maximum group size for participants, coaches, volunteers, staff and officials.
- Physical distance does not need to be maintained on or off the field of play.
- Masks: not recommended on the field of play. Masks are mandatory off the field of play.

### Outdoor sport

- Group Size: There is no maximum group size for participants, coaches, volunteers, staff and officials
- Physical distance does not need to be maintained on or off the field of play.
- Masks: not required on or off the field of play.

### ADDITIONAL GUIDANCE

**Proof of Vaccination:** For more detailed information about proof of vaccination, [click here](#).

**Communicable Disease Response Plan:** Sport Organizations are no longer required to have a COVID-19 Safety Plan; however, sport organizations should consider developing a **communicable disease prevention plan** as per **WorkSafe BC guidance** to reduce the risk of communicable disease.

**Liability:** The Province of B.C. extended COVID-19 liability coverage for organizations until December 31, 2022 through the **COVID-19 Related Measures Act (CRMA)**. This protects people and organizations from damages resulting from transmission or exposure to the virus that causes COVID-19.

## Where to show proof of vaccine (two doses):

	OUTDOOR SPORT	INDOOR SPORT
YOUTH SPORT (0-21 years)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Proof of vaccination is <b>NOT REQUIRED</b>:                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Youth (21 and younger) participating in sport events and programming</li> <li>◦ Supervisors* for youth sport events and programming</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Proof of vaccination is <b>NOT REQUIRED</b>:                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Youth (21 and younger) participating in sport events and programming</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Proof of vaccination is <b>REQUIRED</b>:                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Supervisors* (12 and older) for youth sport events and programming</li> <li>◦ Youth (12 and older) participating in sport programming and events primarily intended for adults</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
ADULT SPORT (22 years and older)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Proof of vaccination is <b>NOT REQUIRED</b>:                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Adults participating in outdoor sports, including for those who come indoors to use amenities such as change rooms and meeting rooms for groups under 51.****</li> </ul> </li> <li>• NOTE: Additional regional health orders are in place in <b>Fraser East***</b>.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Proof of vaccination is <b>REQUIRED</b>:                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Adult participants and supervisors* of sport events and programming</li> <li>◦ Adults participating with youth (21 and younger) in sport events and programming</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
SPECTATORS (12 years and older)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Proof of vaccination is <b>NOT REQUIRED</b>.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Proof of vaccination is <b>REQUIRED</b> at all sport events and programs</li> </ul>

## NOTES

\***Supervisor** refers to a person leading, supporting or assisting a sport activity, but who is not working as an employee. This includes parents required to be present at a child/youth program.

**Adult Sport** means organized individual or group sport activities for those aged 22 and older. Examples include, but are not limited to, adult league soccer, masters swim group, drop-in adult hockey, and adult badminton

**Pools:** proof of vaccination is required for adults accessing swimming pools. Non-employed supervisors must show proof of vaccination.

**Sport facilities and organizations** may implement stricter requirements at their discretion.

\*\*\*\***Restaurants, food or liquor premises, and all other events and gatherings** must follow Proof of Vaccination requirements as outlined in the Order.

\*\*\* **Fraser East** consists of the following communities: Hope, Chilliwack, Abbotsford, Mission and Agassiz/Harrison

The interpretation of when proof of vaccination is required has been confirmed by the Office of the Provincial Health Officer.

## RELEVANT LINKS

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- [viaSport Frequently Asked Questions](#)
- [B.C.'s Restart Plan](#)
- [Proof of Vaccination Program information](#)
- [Travel Guidance for B.C.](#)
- [Communicable Disease Prevention Guidance](#)
- [Mask Guidance](#)
- [COVID-19 \(Limits on Actions and Proceedings\) Regulation](#)
- [Government of BC COVID-19 Restrictions Information](#)

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