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Vaccination Policy

The purpose of this document is to define the vaccination policy of the Saskatoon Adult Soccer Inc. for the guidance of the players, teams, team personnel, match officials, staff, board of directors, and our building host, The Saskatoon Soccer Centre, and their staff.

The following directives and rules represent the position of SAS for its participants, and, as such, it is expected that they will be adhered to and respected.

1. General

- a) Saskatoon Adult Soccer has obligations to take every reasonable precaution in the current circumstances to protect the health and safety of its participants. Therefore, as a condition in participating in our league games, Saskatoon Adult Soccer has established this Vaccination Policy.
- b) Saskatoon Adult Soccer also polled its members and, as a result, is implementing this Vaccination Policy for the Indoor 2021-2022 season.

2. Definitions:

- a) "SAS" means Saskatoon Adult Soccer Inc.
- b) "Participants" means any player, team personnel, or match official on the field of play or on the team bench for a game in the SAS league.
- c) "Fully Vaccinated" means it has been 14 days or more after the second dose of a two-dose COVID-19 immunization series or 14 days or more after first dose of a single-dose immunization series;
- d) "Mask" means a medical or non-medical mask or other face covering that fully covers the nose, mouth and chin, but does not include a face shield or visor;

3. Proof Required

- a) To participate in the SAS league for the Indoor 2021-2022 season, all players, team personnel, and match officials must provide proof of vaccination.
- b) The participants are solely responsible for demonstrating that they are the legitimate holder of the vaccination record as outlined below, and that the information being provided is complete and accurate. It also must coincide with the information supplied to the league while registering as a player, team personnel and/or match official. (I.e.: Name, address, date of birth.)
 - i. If they cannot demonstrate this requirement by offering this information, the individual cannot participate.

4. Eligible Verification Options

- a) Proof of Vaccination
 - i. Wallet card received at the time of immunization
 - ii. MySaskHealthRecord vaccine certificate with or without a QR code;
 - iii. COVID-19 vaccine printout from Saskatchewan Health Authority, Public Health;

- iv. Proof issued by:
 - The government of Canada or a province or territory of Canada, or
 - By any other government of another jurisdiction.

5. Fully Vaccinated to Participate

- a) Two doses of a two-dose series are required, with the second at least 14 days prior to a participant's first game.
 - i. The Janssen (Johnson & Johnson) vaccine is the only Health Canada approved vaccine that requires only a single dose for a complete series. It is sufficient if an individual received one dose of a Janssen vaccine at least two weeks prior to their first game.
 - For international travellers, the ArriveCan app code and a valid international travel identification document is acceptable.

6. Masks

- a) Masks may be removed for on field activity only.
- b) The Northridge Lounge and Pleasureway Pub fall under their own guidelines and mandate.

7. Photo Identification (ID)

- a) Photo ID may be required to accompany the proof of vaccination.
- b) Acceptable forms of ID include:
 - i. Canadian Passport
 - ii. Canadian provincial or territory driver's license
 - iii. Saskatoon Soccer Player ID card

8. Players Aged 17 & Younger

- a) To participate in our league, all players must adhere to this policy regardless of their age.

9. Valid Medical Exemption

- a) A valid medical exemption is the original signed letter from a physician or nurse practitioner that includes:
 - i. The name of the person in the written documentation that matches the identification provided.
 - ii. The physician's or nurse practitioner's information is complete by including:
 - Name, phone number, contact information, professional registration number, and signature of the physician or nurse practitioner;

- Statement that there is a medical reason for the individual's exemption from being fully vaccinated against COVID-19; and
 - The duration that the exemption is valid.
- iii. The original written documentation must be provided to the SAS office staff during regular office hours at least ten (10) business days prior to the game. Call or email to arrange an in-person appointment for drop off or photocopying. You will be notified at least five (5) business days prior to the game if the documentation is accepted.

10. Collecting and Storing Personal Health Information

SAS will not store any personal health information.

- a) When players register themselves to a team, verification is required in the registration process.
- b) Players can willingly offer this information to participate.
- c) SAS will destroy uploaded information once verified.

11. Spectators

- a) Spectators are prohibited from entering the field of play or hallways to dressing rooms.
- b) Spectators must follow the rules & protocols of the Saskatoon Soccer Centre Inc. at all times.
- c) Spectators are not required to adhere to our policy and do not need to provide proof of vaccination unless made mandatory by the Saskatoon Soccer Centre Inc. or mandated by the government.
- d) Spectators MUST NOT attend if they have any COVID-like symptoms.

12. Self-Assess Prior to Every Game

- a) Players, team personnel and match officials must self assess prior to every game.
- b) Players, team personnel and match officials MUST NOT attend if they have any COVID-like symptoms.

13. Disciplinary Measures

- a) Anyone found guilty of providing false information in regards to their proof of vaccination will receive a five (5) year ban/suspension from our league.
- b) Anyone found guilty of assisting others in providing false information in regards to their proof of vaccination will receive a five (5) year ban/suspension from our league.
- c) Anyone found guilty of accessing the field of play and/or dressing rooms while not being registered with the league or assisting others in the same will receive a three (3) year ban/suspension from our league.
- d) Anyone suspected of either 10. a) or 10. b) or 10. c) may be suspended from play until final outcome is determined.

- e) Anyone playing without providing proof of vaccination may be suspended until final outcome is determined.
- f) Anyone playing without being vaccinated will receive a five (5) year ban/suspension from our league.

14. **Application of Policy**

- a) This policy remains in effect until the SAS Board of Directors determines otherwise and may be altered at any time. The present global pandemic is constantly changing. As a result, so too are the mandates, expectations and information.
- b) This policy applies to the players, coaches, managers, team personnel and match officials participating in a game hosted by the Saskatoon Adult Soccer league who enter the field of play and hallways to dressing rooms. This policy does not apply to SAS players while participating in non-SAS hosted games.
- c) This policy does not apply to participants of other league organizations, SSC rentals, building staff, contractors, repair workers, delivery workers, volunteers, inspectors or their employees or others who are entering the Saskatoon Kinsmen Henk Ruys Soccer Centre or the Saskatoon Sports Centre for work purposes and not as patrons of the Saskatoon Adult Soccer league. These persons are not required to be screened by SAS but also may not enter the field of play or hallways to dressing rooms while our games are in play.