
Ringette Alberta - COVID 19 Update

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UPDATE: The following information applies September 16 @ 12:01 AM to September 19 @ 11:59 PM. Facilities require masking and DISTANCING (2M) from persons outside of your household, until entering the field of play. Coaches will wear masks at all times, including on the bench during games. Officials will mask and distance, but will not be required to wear masks on the ice. Officials will maintain distance from athletes and minor officials wherever possible. Minor officials, in the box, shall wear masks at all times and distance as much as possible, limit the number of volunteers in the box. Spectators and volunteers, including evaluators, will be required to mask and distance and shall not sit within 2M of people outside their household. Facilities will be capped at 1/3 capacity, so limit the number of spectators, according to the size of the venue.

Details for September 20th onward will be communicated, as we work with our facilities, municipalities, and other partners. Ringette Alberta will be working towards implementing the restriction exemption program in best efforts to run an Adult Ringette season, more information to follow.

Please be aware, under the new Alberta Government guidelines for proof of vaccination:

“people ages 12 and older can provide proof of vaccination or documentation of a medical exemption: Sept. 20 to Oct. 25: proof of a single dose is considered acceptable as long as the dose was given more than 2 weeks before the time of service. After Oct. 25: proof of double vaccination required.”

For example, to enter a facility as of September 20, proof of a first shot administered on or before September 5 will be required.

Starting September 20, all participants aged 12 and over will need to provide a proof of vaccination to enter recreation facilities, this will include athletes, coaches, officials, and spectators. From September 20 to October 25, one shot will be accepted if the shot was administered 14 days prior to the event. For example, to enter a facility on September 25, a first shot would be needed on or prior to September 11.

Ringette COVID update as of Sept 16 @ 6:40 PM

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Thu, Sep 16, 2021 at 6:44 PM



To: All Ringette Alberta Registered Participants

From: David Myers, Executive Director

Re: Update as of Sept 16 @ 6:40 PM

I'd like to provide additional information and clarification of our communication earlier today.

Before I do that, please be aware, we are operating with the same information that is available to the public. We have received no information from Alberta Health or the Sport, Physical Activity and Recreation Branch of the Ministry of Culture and Status of Women.

For Sept 16-19:

Regular / common sense precautions are in effect.

- Coaches, mask at all times.
- Players and officials, mask at all times except when on the ice (and when on the players bench).
- Everyone else, masks at all times.
- Practice physical distancing, when possible, i.e., not realistic during games, practices

For Sept 20 onward (based on what we know today):

- For youth sport, to be clear, **Ringette Alberta has not implemented a mandatory vaccine policy**, however, proof of vaccine (or negative PCR test or medical exemption) **may** be requirement to enter the facilities where ringette is played. Our communication earlier today was an attempt (admittedly unclear) to give you information on what may be required to get in the door of the facility irrespective of any Ringette Alberta policy.
- Adult sport is different than youth sport and that is likely to come with a proof of vaccine (or negative PCR test or medical exemption) requirement.
- On September 17, information on what an organization must do to take advantage of the restriction exemption program will be released by the Province. Once we know, you'll know.

Matters for which we're seeking additional information from Alberta Health:

- In youth sport, are the officials and coaches included or excluded in the requirements?
- Last season, 18 year olds participating in U19 were included in youth sport. Will that continue?
- If youth sport will be exempt from having to show proof of vaccine (those eligible), does that override the restrictions the Government of Alberta has put in place for access to a recreation facility? Or is it the other way around? Or something else?
- Who is expected to monitor proof of vaccine if / when that applies? The facility? The user group? If the user group, notwithstanding the logistical challenge, what are we permitted to do with respect to privacy? How does this work in large multiuse facilities with people of all ages coming and going for various activities? ...with many from different user groups? How does this work in the small, single sheet arena with usually only the rink attendant on site?

As you can see, there are many unanswered questions, so we thank you for your continued patience and understanding.

My apology for lack of clarity earlier this afternoon. I overlooked an editing error in the original text.
