



YMCA of Southwest Nova Scotia

Lunenburg County YMCA

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YMCA Announcement: Proof of COVID-19 Vaccination Requirement Frequently Asked Questions

What will happen on October 4th?

As of October 4, 2021, fitness and recreation facilities have been mandated to implement the Province of Nova Scotia's Proof of Vaccination Policy. As such, Y members, program participants, visitors and guests are required to be fully vaccinated (two doses plus 14 days) and provide their proof of vaccination and proof of identity (such as a driver's license, health card or member card) to access the membership areas of the Lunenburg County YMCA and Fundy YMCA.

Will we have to show our Proof of Vaccination every time we enter the Lunenburg County YMCA or Fundy YMCA locations?

As a YMCA member/participant, once you show your Proof of Vaccine at the Membership Services desk and our staff have confirmed it, we will update your YMCA account, and you will not be required to provide it again.

Will I still have to wear a mask even though I am fully vaccinated?

Wearing a mask is still a mandate from the Nova Scotia government. We will continue to wear masks inside our Y facilities, with the exception of when engaged in physical activities.

Is the YMCA offering accommodations for participants who have a medical exception?

Medical exceptions will be allowed, as per the direction of the Nova Scotia government.

People who receive a medical exception for COVID-19 vaccination receive a Valid Medical Contraindication for COVID-19 Vaccination letter. You need to present the letter anywhere in Nova Scotia where proof of full vaccination is required.

Medical exception criteria can be found here: <https://novascotia.ca/coronavirus/proof-of-full-vaccination-policy/>

What proof will I have to provide for my vaccination?

Y members, program participants, program volunteers, and other visitors to our centres will be asked to use the Nova Scotia government's vaccine verification process as the means for demonstrating proof of vaccination.

Visit <https://novascotia.ca/coronavirus/vaccine/#proof-of-vaccination> for more information on how to download your vaccine receipt as proof of your vaccine status.

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Will children registered in YMCA programs be required to demonstrate proof of vaccination?

Nova Scotia Health's Mandatory Proof of Vaccination Policy only applies to children 12 years and older as outlined below: Children who turn 12 between January 1, 2021 and October 4, 2021 have until December 31, 2021 to attend events and activities while they get vaccinated.

Children who turn 12 after October 4, 2021 have 3 months from their birthday to get vaccinated.

*If you're **13 to 18** and have proof of vaccination that you received 1 dose of COVID-19 vaccine you can participate in sport, recreation, arts and culture programming hosted by a business or organization. To continue participating, you must provide proof of full vaccination by November 9, 2021 (you need to get a first dose no later than September 28, 2021 and a second dose no later than October 26, 2021).*