

Dear NMHA members and families;

As of this afternoon, here are the most recent Covid-19 guidelines provided by the City of Nanaimo.

We expect our players, coaches, managers, and all family involved, to adhere to the guidelines. Also, be respectful to those who are hired by the city, and NMHA volunteers, who are checking for proof of vaccination.

Please read and familiarize yourselves with the guidelines.

Thank you for your understanding and continued support.

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A message from Parks and Recreation, City of Nanaimo

Please see the information below that can be used when navigating which participants or spectators need to provide proof of vaccinations at City of Nanaimo Arenas at this time. We will continue to keep you apprised of any updates as they become available to us. I have added out of province/country to the information based on the inquiries we are receiving (the information is straight from the current Provincial Restrictions Website <<https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/covid-19/info/restrictions>>).

Please note: Masks are required and must cover the nose and mouth (exceptions: those with a medical condition or disability and children less than 12 years of age). Masks are not required on the ice or on the players benches. They are required in every other space in arenas (including the dressing rooms).

City of Nanaimo Arena FAQ's

Q. Are you here to assist your child with their equipment?

A. If yes, no vaccine check required.

Q. Are you here to watch or spectate an activity (practice, program, skating lesson, public skating etc.)?

A. If yes, vaccination check is not required for anyone unless it is for a **game, competition or tournament.**

Q. Are you a coach, volunteer, official, media personnel?

A. If yes, no vaccine check required

Q. Will these rules change?

A. That is possible as we are seeking clarification in some areas regarding the vaccine requirements.

Category	Vaccination check Required	Vaccination check <u>not</u> required
Children under 12		
Children and youth (up to age 21) participating in skating/hockey programs and activities		
22 years + supervising/supporting (parents/guardians, coaches, officials, volunteers) children and youth sports/recreation programs and activities i.e. hockey practices, figure skating		
22 years + participating in indoor sport		
22 years + supporting adult indoor sport		
22 years + spectators of indoor sport – practice, program, skating lesson - We have requested clarification and will update when new information becomes available.		
22 years + spectators of indoor sport - game, competition or tournament – We have requested clarification and will update when new information becomes available.		
12 years + spectators of indoor sport of events with more than 50 people in attendance		
Spectators / attendees 12 years + attending any ticketed sporting event,		
Spectators / attendees 22 years + attending of indoor sport		

Out of Province or Out of Country Visitors

People who don't have B.C. ID

People who don't have a B.C. ID are also required to show proof of vaccination. You might not have B.C. identification if:

- You're visiting from another place
- You just moved here

People from other provinces or territories

People from other Canadian provinces or territories must show:

- Provincially/territorially officially recognized vaccine record
- Valid government photo ID

International visitors

International visitors must show:

- Proof of vaccination they used to enter Canada
- Passport

