

With the new rules and guidelines that the Government of Alberta announced that are to go into affect September 20, 2021 many people have questions as to what it means for Devon Minor Hockey (DMHA) and our member families.

With that in mind this document looks to answer some of those questions. Please keep in mind that the information here may change in the future.

## **FAQ**

- **Does my child or any member of my family need be fully vaccinated to be part of Devon Minor Hockey?**
  - Devon Minor does not require proof of vaccination to be on the ice or participate in Hockey
  - They will need to follow all previous Covid Guidelines
    - Screen for symptoms
    - Maintain 2 metres distancing, except while engaged in physical activity
    - Wear a mask, except youth engaged in physical activity.
  
- **Do DMHA coaches need to be fully vaccinated?**
  - While DMHA has no requirements to be fully vaccinated, the Town of Devon does have requirements to be in the building. They will need to provide one of the following:
    - Proof of vaccination
      - Single dose accepted between September 20 and October 25 if received 2 weeks before time of service
      - Double doses required after October 25
    - Documentation of medical exemption
    - Proof of a privately-paid negative PCR or rapid test within 72 hours of service
  
- **Do Referees need to be fully vaccinated?**
  - While DMHA has no requirements to be fully vaccinated, the Town of Devon does have requirements to be in the building. For those Referees that are over 18, they will need to provide one of the following:
    - Proof of vaccination
      - Single dose accepted between September 20 and October 25 if received 2 weeks before time of service
      - Double doses required after October 25
    - Documentation of medical exemption
    - Proof of a privately-paid negative PCR or rapid test within 72 hours of service

- **Do I need to be fully vaccinated to watch my child play hockey?**
  - While DMHA has no requirements for any of their members the Town of Devon does have requirements to be in the building. They will need to provide one of the following:
    - Proof of vaccination
      - Single dose accepted between September 20 and October 25 if received 2 weeks before time of service
      - Double doses required after October 25
    - Documentation of medical exemption
    - Proof of a privately-paid negative PCR or rapid test within 72 hours of service
  
- **Under the new Town of Devon guidelines how can my child participate if I am not vaccinated and willing to comply with the town rules?**
  - The requirements for vaccinations only apply to people over 18 who enter the arena. You are welcome to drop off your child for hockey and have them enter the building by them selves.
  
- **Could these rules change in the future?**
  - Yes. DMHA operates under the rules and guidelines set out by the Alberta Government, Alberta Health Services (AHS), Hockey Alberta, and the Town of Devon. If new guidelines or directives come out from one of these we will need to follow them.
  
- **Will the rules be the same for every arena?**
  - Different arenas in Different cities or towns will likely have different rules.
    - It will be important once games start being played that the managers and coaches are aware of the different rules in place for the venue you are going to.
    - DMHA members will be expected to follow all the rules for any venue they are in
  
- **How will this affect my child's on ice experience?**
  - The actual on ice experience should not change very much at all under these rules.
    - Everyone in the arena and around the team will be under the same rules and these guidelines do allow for league play and regular practices.
  - These Guidelines should create a safer environment for hockey in DMHA