



## Restrictions Exemption Program (REP) Plan FAQ

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**Please note: The answers in this document are quick and simple. For more detailed information, please refer to the Avonair Curling Club's Restrictions Exemption Program Plan or to one of the resources listed at the end of this document.**

**Q: Why did the Avonair Curling Club choose to implement the Restrictions Exemption Program?**

A: The Alberta Provincial Government was very clear with their most recent restrictions announcement. Adult Organized Sport had only two options: 1) Implement the REP program or 2) Close until the restrictions are lifted. The Avonair Curling Club chose to implement the program to allow our members and guests the opportunity to curl this season.

**Q: What is required from me to curl or spectate at the Avonair Curling Club this season?**

A: Anyone entering the Avonair Curling Club as of September 17th will be required to show one of the following **along with valid identification**:

1. Proof of full vaccination
2. Proof of a negative COVID-19 test
3. An original copy of a Medical Exemption

**Q: I am under the age of 18, do I need to show proof of vaccination or proof of a negative test to curl at the Avonair?**

A: Yes - if you are participating in League Play with Avonair Members over the age of 18. If you are participating in a strictly U18 event/program, vaccine and testing requirements will be at the discretion of the booking party. In the case of a U18 event, all persons over the age of 18 would be required to show proof of vaccination or of a negative COVID-19 test.

**Q: When do I need to be vaccinated?**

A: A minimum of two weeks is required between each dose and the time the participant accesses the facility. In order to meet the minimum requirement of one dose of a vaccine by the start of the Avonair Curling Club's Season (October 12th) a first dose must be administered by no later than September 28th. In order to meet the October 25th two dose deadline, a second dose must be administered by no later than October 11th.

**Q: What if I am unable to be vaccinated in time for the start of the season?**

A: If a first or second vaccine is not able to be administered with at least a two week lapse between the dose and the date of entry, proof of a negative COVID-19 test will be required to access the facility.

**Q: What vaccines are approved for the Restrictions Exemption Program?**

A: Health Canada Approved Vaccines are acceptable for vaccination proof under the REP. These include: Pfizer-BioNTech, Moderna Spikevax, AstraZeneca, and Johnson and Johnson.

**Q: What is acceptable as proof of a negative COVID-19 test?**

A: A written or printed copy of a Health Canada approved rapid antigen, rapid PCR, or lab based PCR test - completed within the 72 hours prior to entry - can be provided as proof.

**Q: Can I bring my own rapid test in as proof?**

A: No. Home rapid test kits present a communicable disease risk to others. They will not be accepted as proof of a negative COVID-19 test.

**Q: Does my COVID-19 test provided by Alberta Health Services serve as proof to enter the Avonair?**

A: No. Only privately paid tests can be used for facility access.

**Q: I am unable to receive a vaccine due to a medical exemption. Can I still utilize the facility?**

A: Yes. An original Medical Exemption Letter can be provided if you wish to do so.

**Q: What is the Vaccination Status/Negative COVID-19 Test/Medical Exemption Consent Form and why do I have to sign it?**

A: This form is simply to inform each member of the COVID-19 Policy regarding vaccinations and negative tests this season. Once signed, you agree to abide by the Avonair Curling Club's rules and policies regarding the Restriction Exemption Program throughout the 2021/2022 Season.

**Q: When will I receive my membership card?**

A: You will receive your membership card on the first day of curling after showing the necessary proof of vaccination to the designated Avonair Vaccine Reviewer.



**Q: Do I need to have both my proof of vaccination and my membership card with me to curl at the Avonair?**

A: While we recommend carrying proof of vaccination with you at all times, once you have received a membership card with your name and signature on it, that will be the only proof you require to enter the Avonair Curling Club.

**Q: Will the Avonair be keeping and storing any of my vaccination information?**

A: No. The Avonair will keep absolutely zero health information. All the staff will have is a checklist showing who has received a membership card.

**Q: If I registered for the season before the Provincial REP Mandate came into effect, can I receive a refund if I choose not to play?**

A: Yes. Full refunds will be provided right up to and including the first night of curling. Once the first game has been played, the regular Refund Policy provided on the Avonair Curling Club website will come into effect.

**Q: Do I need to wear a mask while in the Avonair Curling Club?**

A: Yes. Masks are required by provincial law in all common areas of the club. Masks are not required while on the ice surface engaging in the sport and will not be required when sitting at a table in the lounge.

#### **Resources:**

If members, guests, spectators, or anyone else has questions, concerns, or comments regarding The Avonair Curling Club's implementation of the Restriction Exemption Program outlined in this document, they are encouraged to contact the Avonair Curling Club at:

- 780-477-2427
- [info@avonaircurlingclub.com](mailto:info@avonaircurlingclub.com)

Individuals with questions about the program or questions masking requirements or other COVID-19 information are encouraged to visit the following websites for clarification:

- <https://www.alberta.ca/covid-19-public-health-actions.aspx>
- <https://open.alberta.ca/publications/covid-19-information-requirements-for-restrictions-exemption-program>
- <https://open.alberta.ca/publications/cmoh-order-42-2021>
- <https://open.alberta.ca/publications/cmoh-order-43-2021>



- <https://open.alberta.ca/publications/cmoh-order-34-2021>
- <https://www.alberta.ca/coronavirus-info-for-albertans.aspx>

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