

Mississippi Golf Club: Proof of Covid Vaccination Policy

As of September 22, 2021, the Government of Ontario requires that members of the public aged 12 years and over will need to be fully vaccinated against Covid (two doses plus 14 days) and provide their proof of vaccination along with a personal ID to access certain public settings and facilities. Facilities include restaurants and bars and the requirement applies to the Mississippi Golf Club (MGC).

Ontarians currently have access to a paper or PDF vaccine receipt that includes all relevant information to prove that they are fully vaccinated against Covid. As of September 22, 2021, Ontarians will be required to show their vaccine receipt when entering the areas of the clubhouse where food and beverages are ordered, served and paid for, along with another piece of identification, such as a driver's licence, health card, birth certificate, citizenship card, or passport. Those from other jurisdictions would also have access to documentation showing proof of vaccination and are also required to present this information.

The only exemptions are for those under the age of 12 and those who provide a written document, completed and supplied by a physician or by a registered nurse in the extended class, stating that the individual is exempt for a medical reason from being fully vaccinated against COVID-19 and the effective time-period for the medical reason.

Kitchen and bar staff will require proof of vaccination when customers (members and guests) order food or beverages. Staff must be satisfied that the receipt for vaccination is for the person presenting personal ID. To this end, photo ID is the most secure and is the preferred form of identification. The verification process for staff is as follows:

1. Match the name and the date of birth of the member or guest listed on the vaccination receipt against the name and date of birth on a piece of identification.
2. Verify the receipt is either (a) an Ontario receipt issued at the time of vaccination or any format of receipt downloaded from Ontario.ca that shows the holder is fully vaccinated against COVID-19 (b) a receipt signed by an Indigenous Health Provider, or (c) a receipt from another jurisdiction that shows the holder is fully vaccinated against COVID-19.
3. Verify that the receipt shows that the holder is fully vaccinated.
4. Verify that the date of administration of the final shot in the series is at least fourteen days prior to the date the member or guest wishes to access areas of the clubhouse where food and beverages are being served.

As of September 22, 2021, members and guests aged 12 and over unable to show proof of vaccination may access the clubhouse only to use the

washrooms. They may not enter any part of the clubhouse where food and beverages are served and, in particular, they may not approach the bar, nor the kitchen window.

Access to the upstairs washrooms is via the front entrance and off the lobby. Access to the downstairs washrooms is via the downstairs entrance facing the 18th green, via the external stairway on the west side of the building, or by the main door and the internal staircase.

All other public health measures (e.g. masking and physical distancing) continue to apply to all members and guests entering the Clubhouse.

For their convenience, members may have their proof of vaccination registered at the pro-shop against a master list of members, so that they would have to show proof of vaccination only once. This is strictly voluntary. The list would be shared only with MGC staff and kitchen staff. The list will not be retained after the close of the 2021 season.