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### **Skate Canada Vaccination Requirements**

As the 2021-2022 season prepares to get underway, Skate Canada and all Skate Canada Sections are issuing a joint statement on our collective position on vaccination requirements in response to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic:

As the COVID-19 pandemic continues through its fourth wave, Skate Canada and all Skate Canada Sections wish to advise our stakeholders, including Skating Clubs and Schools, Coaches, Officials, Volunteers, Registrants and their parents and guardians, that everyone must follow the precautions and restrictions outlined by provincial and municipal governments and local venue operators to ensure Skate Canada programs are taking place safely. We actively encourage those participating in Skate Canada programs who are eligible for the vaccine to be immunized. Public health guidance has clearly outlined the positive impact of full immunization with approved COVID-19 vaccines.

It is important to note that venue operators in many jurisdictions now require proof of double vaccination to participate in programming in their facilities. We remind all of our stakeholders that due to facility restrictions, participation at the **2022 Canadian Tire National Skating Championships**, taking place in Ottawa, ON, will require proof of double vaccination at least two weeks in advance of the events.

On September 14, 2021, The City of Regina announced the implementation of a Vaccination Passport to begin on November 15, 2021. As such, it is expected that participation at the **2022 Skate Canada Challenge**, taking place in Regina, SK, will require proof of double vaccination at least two weeks in advance. More information will be circulated when confirmed by the City of Regina.