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**NOTICE-VACCINATION PROOF REQUIRED FOR CLUBHOUSE USE as of Sept. 22**

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**VACCINATION REQUIRED TO USE CLUBHOUSE BEGINNING SEPT. 22****\*\*\*\*\*IMPORTANT NOTICE\*\*\*\*\*****COVID-19 VACCINATION REQUIRED FOR CLUBHOUSE ACCESS,  
EFFECTIVE WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2021**

(Supplementing August 3, 2021 COVID-19 Protocols)

Dear Club Members,

Starting September 22, 2021, all Club Members, guests, and Club Staff must provide proof of full vaccination against COVID-19 in order to enter the Clubhouse or the upper deck. Although our Board of Directors was already planning to require proof of vaccination as of October 1, the September 22 commencement date is mandatory under the September 14, 2021 order of the Contra Costa County Health Officer. <https://www.coronavirus.cchealth.org/health-orders>.

**MEMBERS & GUESTS:**

Proof of vaccination must be presented in order to enter the Club office, bar, galley, upper deck, harbor office or any other part of the Clubhouse (other than the head by the harbor office).

**Acceptable Proof of vaccination**

- \* COVID-19 Vaccination Record Card (issued by CDC), that includes the Member's name, date of birth, vaccine type, and date(s) administered; or
- \* A QR code that displays the Member's name, date of birth, vaccine type and date(s) administered; or
- \* A photocopy, pdf, or jpeg of a completed vaccination card or QR code that includes the Member's name, date of birth, vaccine type, and date(s) administered; or
- \* A photo of a completed vaccination card stored on a phone or electronic device that includes the Member's name,

date of birth, vaccine type, and date(s) administered; or

\* Other documentation of vaccination from a healthcare provider that includes the Member's name, date of birth, vaccine type, and date(s) administered.

### **EXEMPTIONS:**

The only exceptions from the vaccination proof requirement are for Members and guests who are either under the minimum age for vaccination or have a medical exemption.

### **GENERAL:**

Please carefully read the **below** Questions & Answers for a clear understanding of how proof of vaccination or exemption will work at RYC.

Please remember that our proof of vaccination requirements do not replace the existing requirement imposed by Contra Costa County that all members, guests and staff must wear masks when inside the Clubhouse, except when actively eating or drinking.

We appreciate the very successful efforts of all Members over the last 18 months to make our Club as safe as we can from COVID 19. We hope that these additional vaccination requirements will work for you and your guests and will help all of our Members and guests feel more comfortable socializing and dining in our wonderful Clubhouse and out on the Upper Deck.

Sincerely,

Ornaith Keane,  
Commodore

## **COMMONLY ASKED QUESTIONS & ANSWERS REGARDING VACCINATION PROOF**

### **Where do I check in once I arrive at the Club?**

Check in at the top of the stairs coming from the main hallway.

### **What happens when I check in?**

You will be given a lanyard and clear sleeve into which you will place your vaccine card. The lanyards and vaccine cards are to be worn around your neck.

Upon check-in, Member's names will be checked off as vaccinated.

Members/Guests who provide medical exemptions will receive a Medical Exemption Card.

**Why do we have to wear our vaccination cards, isn't showing it at the door enough?**

RYC has so many entry points that it would be impractical to have a paid staff member (or an unpaid volunteer) monitoring each doorway. It's important that all Members and staff see at a glance who is vaccinated.

**I only have my original vaccination card, which I don't want to lose. I have no access to a printer to make a copy.**

Bring your card to the Club, we will make a copy for you.

**I lost my vaccination card, but I have the QR Code on my phone.**

Print your QR code, showing your name, date of birth and dose name(s)/type(s). This can be inserted into the Club provided sleeve. If you are a Member and don't have access to a printer, we will print this for you and insert it into a sleeve.

**My guest only has a QR Code.**

For guests we will provide a special GUEST PASS for them to wear.

**I have a medical exemption from my doctor - how will that work?**

Provide an original or a photo, or electronic-copy of a written vaccination exemption confirmation from a licensed medical professional. You will be provided with a Medical Exemption Card to wear.

**My child is too young to receive the vaccine.**

You will be provided with a Too Young to Vaccinate card. Parents will carry the card for children too young to wear a lanyard.

**Will proof of a negative COVID test work in lieu of proof of vaccination?**

No. The Board has made the decision that proof of full vaccination is required for entry.

**Isn't asking for proof of vaccination a violation of HIPPA or other privacy laws?**

It's not - we checked.

**What happens if a Member or guest arrives at the Club without any proof of vaccination?**

The County mandate is very clear on this topic. No access can be granted without proof of vaccination. Please get

into the habit of carrying proof of vaccination at all times.

### **Why aren't the staff wearing their vaccination cards like Members and guests?**

We have checked the vaccine cards for all staff. Most staff work in the galley where wearing a lanyard or large badge could be hazardous.

### **Can't you come up with something less obtrusive?**

The goal is to follow the County mandate and to allow our Members/officers-of-the-day to see proof that everyone on-premises is vaccinated.

We spent a lot of time thinking about how we can "tag" Members and guests so we all know that they have checked in and are fully vaccinated, or have a medical exemption. We came up with lots of different ideas (most of which cost a small fortune).

Because Members and guests must provide proof each time they enter the Clubhouse, the simplest option is to wear our cards. We are working on something better for our Members.

If you come across a better option at another club or business, please share it with us.

### **What happens next?**

We hope COVID goes away - until then we hope that some smart individual comes up with a system that's easy to operate, is cost conscious, green, and allows us to comply with the rules and keep Members satisfied that the people they mingle with are vaccinated.

As we learn, we will make changes.

Thank you for your cooperation in keeping our Members, Staff and Guests Safe.

/SJK

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