



Brentwood Gymnastics Club

GOOD NEWS - Return to the Gym

With the reaching of an 80% double vaccination milestone at 6pm on Friday, 29th October, restrictions on access to regional Victoria, retail, entertainment, pubs and restaurants and many other facilities will be opened for vaccinated members of the public.

Monash Council, however, have delayed the return to their Community Centres until the 8th November, thus the return to gym will recommence from that date. There are, however, some guidelines which will need to be followed.

Proof of Vaccination Status

As part of reopening, we will need to confirm, as required, the vaccination status of all gymnasts, parents/guardians and visitors to the centre. This includes workers and any contractors or visitors.

The Rule:

All visitors to the premises, including gymnasts, parents/guardians, workers, and contractors, must provide proof of vaccination status before entry. BGC will have a COVID Safety Marshal at the entry to the facility. ***Additional criteria for children are explained, below.***

Getting Your Vaccination Certificate:

Attach your COVID vaccination certificate to the Government's **Service Victoria app** (QR Code reader) and to do this you will need to assign it from the **Express Plus Medicare app** which you can download it from the App store or Google Play store. Here's how you can do that.

Update your **Service Victoria app** at the App store or Google Play store.

Open the **Express Plus Medicare app**.

Tap 'Immunization history'.

Click on your name.

Tap 'Share Certificate'.

You'll see a list of apps that you can share your certificate to.

Tap 'share' next to Service Victoria.

Read the conditions and tap 'Accept and share'.

Tap 'Add certificate'.

Your COVID-19 digital certificate is now stored in your **Service Victoria app** and linked to the QR code check-in function.

You will be required to check-in using the **Service Victoria QR Code** and our COVID Marshall will check to confirm your vaccination status before entry. Our COVID Safety Marshal will register your COVID vaccination status for our records and you will not need to reconfirm your COVID status in future, just check-in using the QR Code.



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If you do not have a smart phone, the Australian Immunisation Register can issue you with a printed copy of your certificate. This may take between 10 to 14 days. You can also download and print a copy of your COVID-19 vaccination certificate from myGov.

We know this is new and we have not done this before, but we're counting on you to support us so we can get back to normal.

Density Quotients

The Rule:

Monash Council have set density quotients on the Brentwood facility. The square metre rule applies to limit the number of customers in a space in the Club. Please understand that we have a maximum capacity limit due to COVID-19 restrictions which is currently at 1 person per 4 square metres and BGC can operate safely within these constraints.

Medical Exemptions

The Rule:

If anyone has a medical exemption, they may enter the premises.

You will be asked to show evidence of your medical exemption together with a valid photo ID or a copy of your immunisation history statement together with a valid photo ID to the COVID Safety Marshal, then you may enter. From 6pm on 12th November, you can no longer use a medical certificate as evidence of COVID-19 vaccination exemption. Doctors will need to update your record on the Australian Immunisation Register to show you have a medical exemption. Once processed you can download your COVID-19 digital certificate to the Service Victoria app or organise a printed copy of your immunisation history statement.

Children

The Rule:

Children 16 years and over **must be fully vaccinated** to enter the Club, except those with approved medical exemptions.

Children under 16 years **do not need to be vaccinated** but if accompanied by an adult, the adult must be fully vaccinated.



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Service Victoria app

The Rule:

Currently only one COVID-19 digital certificate can be linked to each Service Victoria app, so everyone 16 year and over will need to display their vaccination status on their phone or obtain a hard copy. *{1/11/21: Changes are being made to the Service Vic app which allow parents to select dependant children on their Service Vic app}.*

The Club has the right to ask for additional photo identification alongside a COVID-19 digital certificate if it is provided as a hard copy.

Privacy and Data Concerns

The Rule:

The Victorian Government does not have access to any data linked to a person's Medicare account, such as information about non-COVID vaccinations. Only the phone user has access to a COVID-19 digital certificate stored on the app.

Refusing Entry

The Rule:

The BGC COVID Marshal has the right to refuse entry to anyone who cannot or will not show proof of vaccination.

Legal protections are in place. Patrons and visitors must prove their vaccination or exemption status prior to entry to the Centre. Please respect our staff.

We do look forward to seeing you all back at the Club soon. 😊

In addition, there will be sanitisation stations available for use, 1.5 metre floor markers to help guide physical distancing in the gym. Maximum capacity numbers are set to help keep you safe. And finally, masks are still mandatory indoors.

We also would ask that all our Club members to please treat our staff in these difficult times politely and respectfully. Our amazing staff have been trained in compliance regulations for reopening and their directions **MUST** be followed. They cannot be disregarded, disputed or ignored and we thank you in anticipation for your cooperation.