

**FROM THE HOME OWNERS' ASSOCIATION – REQUIREMENT FOR QR CODES
Ontario to now require QR code vaccine certificate as proof of COVID-19
vaccination** *(Nick Westoll-City News Ottawa)(as announced at 8:00 a.m. Jan 4/22)*

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Starting Tuesday, Ontarians will need to use the province's enhanced COVID-19 vaccine certificate equipped with a QR code where proof of vaccination is required to enter any location (indoor dining, theatres, gyms and other businesses). Most of those places will close Wed., Jan 5/22 due to new restrictions, <https://ottawa.citynews.ca/local-news/indoor-dining-banned-gyms-to-close-wednesday-as-ontario-announces-new-covid-19-restrictions-4917077> but for today and when they reopen, older versions of vaccine certificates without a QR code won't be permitted.

Businesses will use the Verify Ontario app to scan the codes and confirm a person's vaccination status.

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It's important to note that as of Dec. 23, the Ontario government defines full vaccination as having two doses and there isn't a formal requirement yet to show proof of having three doses.

The changes were billed by the Ontario government as ways to "further encourage vaccination and help limit the spread of COVID-19 and the Omicron variant." Questions were raised about continuing the use of certificates without QR codes, citing instances of

forgery. https://toronto.citynews.ca/2021/12/02/snapchat-ontario-proof-of-vaccination-covid19/?utm_source=citynews%20ottawa&utm_campaign=citynews%20ottawa%3A%20outbound&utm_medium=referral

If you haven't downloaded the personal QR code yet, you can do so on the government website: https://covid-19.ontario.ca/get-proof/?utm_source=citynews%20ottawa&utm_campaign=citynews%20ottawa%3A%20outbound&utm_medium=referral have it mailed, or call the Provincial Vaccine Contact Centre at 1-833-943-3900.

Reach out to your neighbours, who you may know do not have computers to download the QR Code from the Internet to help them get access to this QR code. If anyone needs help in getting their Code, call Linda Morris 7054365923 and she can assist if you require help.

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