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Workers, contractors, staff etc.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Employees, contractors, repair workers, delivery workers, volunteers, inspectors or others who are entering the business/entity/event for work purposes and not as patrons are not required to be screened.
Enforcement	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Operators will be audited for compliance. Alberta Health Services, Alberta Gaming, Liquor, Cannabis and police units in Alberta are able to enforce the requirements of this program.• Additionally, public complaints will support increased compliance and enforcement efforts.• If operators are not complying with these requirements or the current public health restrictions, then enforcement and prosecution may result in fines up to \$100,000 (for a first offence).
Delivery, Pick-Up, Take Out	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Individuals who are entering a facility participating in REP for only delivery, pick-up and take out are not required to show their proof of vaccination if the items are collected at the point of screening.• All individuals entering for this purpose must continue to mask the entire time they are in the facility and maintain 2 metres physical distancing from all other persons.
Quick Service Restaurants and Retail Services with In-Person Dining	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Quick service restaurants and retail services that have in-person dining facilities are permitted to serve patrons both take out service or in-person, if participating in REP.<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ These locations are permitted to screen for proof of vaccination at the point of sale (e.g., at the counter) to permit in-person dining.○ Patrons must show their proof of vaccine, recent negative test, or medical exemption letter when they order, if they intend on dining-in.○ All patrons must be physically distanced by 2 metres, wearing masks, and following all applicable public health measures outside of the dining area.○ Patrons must wear masks at all times when not seated and eating and drinking.• If participating in REP, dining areas:<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ must have restricted points of entry to ensure that only guests that have provided the necessary documentation access the indoor dining; and○ must ensure that all patrons dining in wear a face mask when not seated and eating.• Patrons who are purchasing items and leaving must follow all public health measures.<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Patrons who do not show proof of vaccine must only be provided take out service.

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Quick service restaurants and retail services not participating in REP are not permitted to have indoor dining and must follow all applicable public health measures.
Youth Activities and Youth Participation	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• For the purposes of this program, a youth is someone who is under the age of 18 years of age.• Youth participating in youth activities in a facility that is participating in REP are not required to be screened as part of the REP.<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Parents who are required to support youth in their activities (e.g. parent and tot groups) would be required to follow REP requirements in order to attend.○ Youth are subject to physical distancing at all other times when not engaged in the physical activity (e.g. locker rooms, common areas etc.)• If youth wish to access other amenities beyond youth-specific sports, recreation or performance activities in a facility participating in REP, for these purposes they will be required to be screened per the REP, as applicable (over the age of 11 years).• Coaches, instructors, trainers, referees etc. for youth activities, who are 18 years or older, are subject to the public health measures or REP requirements in the facility.• School groups accessing facilities otherwise under REP (for the purposes of K-12 curriculum) are not required to be screened as part of REP.
Mutual Support Groups, Elections and Jury Selection	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Individuals participating in mutual support groups, elections, and jury selection in a facility that is participating in REP are not required to be screened as part of the REP.<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ If not screened per REP requirements, individuals participating in these activities are subject to physical distancing at all times.• If individuals participating in mutual support groups, elections, and jury selection wish to access amenities in a facility participating in REP, they will be required to be screened per the REP, as applicable (12+ years of age).

Note: Publicly funded post secondary institutions identified in the PSLA, First Nations College entities, private colleges, private faith based institutions will be addressed in a separate, specific exemption.

This document and the guidance within it is subject to change and will be updated as needed.

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In-Scope Operators	Out-of-Scope Operators
Restaurants and Food Courts with closed access to the public	Events in Private Dwellings
Nightclubs	Retail & Shopping Malls
Casinos, Bingo Halls, VLT Lounges	First responders attending for the purposes of responding to an emergency situation
Entertainment/Rec Centres, such as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bowling, racing entertainment, arcades, billiards halls, other similar entertainment. Museums, art galleries 	Workers/employees in/on a worksite for the purposes of their employment
Movie theatres	Places of Worship – for faith services
Recreation facilities for physical activity, performance activity and recreational facility, <i>excluding</i> : <ul style="list-style-type: none"> youth physical activity, performance activity and recreational facility mutual support meetings jury selection elections purposes and related activities 	Schools, K-12
Conferences / Meeting Spaces / Halls/ Rented spaces (excluding private dwelling units), <i>excluding</i> : <ul style="list-style-type: none"> mutual support meetings places of worship – for faith services jury selection elections purposes and related activities 	School curriculum based activity
Weddings and Funerals held in public facilities where the facility maintains responsibility for adherence to these requirements	Child care settings (e.g., daycares)
Private social events held in public facilities where the facility maintains responsibility for adherence to these requirements	Accommodations (e.g., hotel)
Spectator settings for professional sport or performance activity	Health Services
Recreation classes/activities (outside physical activity)	Personal Services

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Adult recreational sport groups (players/participants)	Wellness Services
Amenities in hotels and condos, such as: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• fitness rooms, pools• game rooms, movie rooms• other similar amenities	Youth activities, where all participants under the age of 18 <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Note that coaches, instructors, trainers, referees subject to the requirements of the facility if under REP.
Fitness facilities	Libraries
	Public Transit
	Mutual Support Groups
	Jury selection
	Election purposes and related activities

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