



**TO: Special Olympics Victoria Community**  
**FROM: Gareth Hogan, General Manager Operations**  
**RE: Return to Training – Vaccination Requirements**  
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Dear Special Olympics Victoria community,

With the current roadmap in place and the mandate that only fully vaccinated persons can return to community sport, there have been some questions raised regarding those that are unable or unwilling to be vaccinated.

At this time, the Victorian Government has made it clear that unless an eligible individual has received both doses of an approved COVID-19 vaccine, they will be unable to participate in community sport or enter certain venues. All Special Olympics clubs, athletes, volunteers, families and support workers are required to follow these rules without exception.

Special Olympics Australia will continue to follow Federal and State guidelines and align to the VIC Roadmap as well as the National Plan to transition Australia's National COVID-19 response. Both plans are available to view below. Special Olympics Australia is also in consultation with State Health Authorities to gather any further information which we will share with SOV clubs as quickly as possible.

To expedite safe return to training, Special Olympics continues to strongly recommend that you speak with your GP and get vaccinated. If you are already fully vaccinated, please do the following:

- Send your proof of vaccination certificate to [vaccinations@specialolympics.com.au](mailto:vaccinations@specialolympics.com.au) so that we may update your profile accordingly.
- Ensure that you carry proof of vaccination with you to all Special Olympics events as venues may ask you to prove your vaccination status.

To view Victoria's Roadmap: [CLICK HERE](#)

To view the National Plan please [CLICK HERE](#)

How do provide proof of vaccination: [CLICK HERE](#)

Special Olympics Australia's COVID-19 Hub: [CLICK HERE](#)

If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Kind regards

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