



The ViewSPORT IRONMAN Lake Placid triathlon is quickly approaching and we are looking forward to seeing everyone next month!

When we last communicated to you, the Village of Lake Placid, the Town of North Elba and ROOST set forth new requirements for hosting events this summer, including the requirement to provide proof of vaccination in designated athlete-only areas in order to participate in the event.

Our team has been hard at work developing and refining event operational plans in a manner consistent with local community objectives and within these guidelines and recommendations set by public health entities as it relates to COVID-19 and will be in effect for all those engaging with the event such as athletes, officials, vendors, volunteers, media and staff.

To ensure that you have a smooth event experience, we have outlined the protocols and implementation plan as it relates to proof of vaccination in designated event venues to meet the requirements outlined by the Village of Lake Placid, Town of North Elba and ROOST.

- Athletes will have a designated entrance at the Horse Show Grounds and all athletes will have to show proof of being fully vaccinated before proceeding to athlete check-in area.
- Athletes will be required to show their designated valid Vaccination Record Card or a Digital Copy (photo of both sides of your card will be sufficient) with photo ID. Event Medical Staff will be at the entrance and will be visually checking cards for validation.
- Please note according to the **Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)**, people are considered fully vaccinated for COVID-19  $\geq 2$  weeks after they have received the second dose in a 2-dose series (Pfizer-BioNTech or Moderna)
- 2 weeks after they have received a single-dose vaccine (Johnson & Johnson [J&J]/Janssen)
- International athletes must show a valid country of origin Vaccination Record Card or Digital Copy of the card with a photo ID. By default, international individuals will be considered fully vaccinated for COVID-19 2 weeks after they have received the second dose in a 2-dose series, or 2 weeks after they have received a single-dose vaccine
- Once an athlete is validated as being fully vaccinated by the Event Medical Staff, that athlete will proceed to athlete check-in to receive their designated athlete wristband. The athlete wristband will identify that an athlete has being fully vaccinated and allow them to show their wristband to access the various designed Event Venues during event week. Face coverings will not be required for these individuals who have been validated as fully vaccinated.
- Any athlete that does not show proof of being fully vaccinated must show a valid exemption. If a valid exemption is not able to be presented, the athlete will be deemed unvaccinated/non-exempt and will not be able to enter event venues.

- Qualifying exemptions from showing proof of being fully vaccinated include:
  - Age Exemption – Any individual that is 15 years of age or younger
  - Medical Exemptions – Individuals that have a Medical Exemption from being fully vaccinated and MUST bring a copy of written documentation from their personal physician stating they are medically exempt from receiving the vaccine. Medical exemptions may include but are not limited to:
    - Allergic reaction to available vaccines
    - Recovery from COVID-19
    - Underlying medical conditions preventing individual from receiving vaccine
    - Additional medical exemptions as outlined by personal physician
  - Individuals that have a medical exemption that is approved by the Event Medical Team during the entrance process will be:
    - Presented with an additional designated colored wristband and must wear the wristband for the duration of the event.
    - Required to wear a face covering at all times outside of competition while in the Event Venues. Post-race, athletes be supplied a face covering to wear.
- Please know that if any Athlete loses their wristband during the event week, they will need to repeat the validation process before receiving a replacement wristband. They will NOT be able to enter event venues until they have received a replacement wristband.