

1. Community use of school facilities

Use of school facilities by the community

School facilities can be used by the community, including play equipment, and for external hire.

Schools are permitted to allow external providers to use or hire school facilities.

When hiring out school facilities, schools are required to following the [PAL policy](#) regarding vaccination and visitors to schools.

If an external party is using school facilities during school hours, there should be no mixing between external parties and school staff and students (for example, a swim school should have **exclusive use** of a school pool and change room for the period of use).

When unsure, providers should be directed to the Victorian government [Sector guidance](#) to confirm CovidSafe requirements.

Table 1: Summary of facility use by community and sports groups

External organiser	Exclusive use of premise or facility*	Proof of vaccination requirements	Collection of vaccination information
Community sports <i>Competition and training, or entry-level “come and try” days overseen by a state sporting association or equivalent governing body (e.g., AFL Victoria and AusKick; Cricket Victoria and Cricket Blast)</i>	Yes	<p>Persons 18 years and under are not required to show proof of vaccination to organisers when participating in community sport on school premises.</p> <p>Note community sports organisations are not mandated to collect proof of vaccination of staff, participants, or spectators. Please note some community sport organisations may have separate vaccination policies that will apply.</p>	Not required.
	No	<p>Schools will need to request vaccination information of community sport staff or workers.</p> <p>Persons under 18 years are not required to show proof of vaccination to organisers when participating in community sport on school premises.</p>	<p>Schools are not required to sight or collect individual vaccination information (such as COVID-19 digital certificates); the organisation providing a list of names with vaccination status is sufficient.</p> <p>Community sports organisations are required to sight and/or collect individual vaccination information of their staff and spectators.</p>

<p>Other community groups</p>	<p>N/A</p>	<p>Schools will need to request evidence of vaccination of external staff or workers.</p> <p>Community groups will need to request vaccination information relevant to their sector.</p>	<p>Schools are not required to sight or collect individual vaccination information (such as COVID-19 digital certificates); the organisation providing a list of names with vaccination status is sufficient.</p> <p>Community groups are required to sight and/or collect vaccination information relevant to their sector.</p>
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