

# COOMA SKI CLUB

## Vaccination Policy

### 2022

#### Introduction

1. **Cooma Ski Club (the Club)** is located at **69 Burramys Road, Perisher Valley NSW**.
2. The Club is a member/associate of the Ski Lodges Organisation of Perisher Smiggins and Guthega Inc (**SLOPES**), which represents the 88 ski clubs of the Perisher Range Resorts of Perisher, Smiggin Holes and Guthega.
3. The Club recognises the significant adverse health and economic impacts that the COVID-19 pandemic has had and continues to have in Australia.
4. The primary objective of the Club is to take all reasonable steps to ensure the health and safety of all people who are employed by the Club and/or choose to stay in and use the facilities of the Club. The purpose of implementing this vaccination policy is to enable the Club to fulfil this primary objective.
5. The Club has identified the following risk profile:
  - a. The Club is used by large numbers of members and guests who can visit the premises and come into close contact with each other.
  - b. Many of the facilities at the premises are shared.
  - c. There are times where it is not possible for the Club to have an authorised representative on the premises to enforce physical distancing or hygiene measures which may be required pursuant to the Club's COVID-19 Safe Plan.
  - d. The age profile of some members increases the risk and the potential severity of symptoms that the person may experience if they are exposed to COVID-19; and
6. **Due to those identified risks and the current lack of other suitable control measures to eliminate that risk as far as is reasonably practicable the Club has decided that vaccinations should be a requirement to entry onto the premises unless an exemption has been granted in accordance with this Policy.**

#### Condition of Entry to the Club

7. The Club reserves the right to refuse entry and the right to refuse to provide services to any person.
8. **All members and guests over the age of 5 must be 'Up to date' with COVID-19 vaccinations prior to entering the lodge.**

**To be considered 'Up to date' with COVID-19 vaccinations, you must have completed all the doses recommended for your age and health status (recommended doses as per ATAGI guidelines).**

**Any person staying at the lodge must take a PCR or RAT test within the 24 hours before arrival and only proceed if they test negative. Upon request a person must provide proof of the negative test.**

**COVID-19 vaccination approvals are as per the Therapeutic Goods Administration <https://www.tga.gov.au/covid-19-vaccine-provisional-registrations>.**

9. The requirement outlined in paragraph 8 above will apply to every person seeking to enter the premises of the Club, with three exceptions:

- a. People who are not eligible to be vaccinated due to their age.
- b. People who cannot be vaccinated against COVID-19 because of a medical condition, and that medical condition is supported by written evidence provided by a medical practitioner (as defined in section 5 of the *Health Practitioner Regulation National Law (NSW)*); and, or
- c. A person who has been granted an exemption in accordance with paragraph 15.

#### **Providing Proof of COVID-19 Vaccination Status**

10. **Before entering the premises of the Club, a person may be asked to provide proof that their COVID-19 vaccination status is 'Up to date' in one of the following ways:**
  - a. Showing an electronic copy of the COVID-19 digital certificate or immunisation history statement to the satisfaction of a COVID-19 marshal or authorised person of the Club; or
  - b. Showing a paper version of the COVID-19 digital certificate or immunisation history statement to the satisfaction of a COVID-19 marshal or authorised person of the Club.
11. Unless required to do so by law, the Club will not collect or store vaccination information about any person.
13. If neither of the options are available in paragraph 10 then it is the obligation of the person visiting the premises to contact the Club in advance to discuss what steps must be taken to provide the relevant proof of vaccination.

#### **Exemptions**

14. **Where a person is unable to be vaccinated, they will be required to notify the Club no later than 14 days prior to their visit or entry onto the premises that they seek an exemption to the requirements of this Policy.**
15. Exemptions will be considered in the following circumstances:
  - a. The circumstances in paragraph 9 (a) and (b) apply.
  - b. Other exceptional circumstances exist which justify an exemption within the reasonable opinion of the Club.
16. A person who is granted an exemption does not have to comply with the requirements of paragraphs 8 to 13 hereof except for the testing requirements outlined in Paragraph 8.
17. **A person who is granted an exemption will still be required upon entering the Club to take a Rapid Antigen Test or PCR test within the 24 hours before arrival, and only proceed if they test negative. Upon request a person must provide proof of the negative test result.**

#### **Effective Date and Review Period**

18. This Policy is effective from 1<sup>st</sup> Jan 2022.
19. This Policy will be reviewed on a regular basis and updated as required.
20. This Policy has been adopted by the Club as the best way to reduce the risk of exposure to COVID-19 at the Club's premises. The Club acknowledges that risk profiles may change and alternative measures to eliminate the risk may become available over time. The Club will continue to review its risk profile and in circumstances where it forms the view that there are alternative control measures other than mandatory vaccinations then the Club may either vary, replace, or discontinue this Policy upon further notice to members.