

Introduction

Swim Ireland accepts that it is not possible for any sport to eliminate the risk of the spread of the COVID-19 virus completely and will work with all stakeholders to minimise risk, this concept must be fully understood and accepted by all Swim Ireland members who wish to return to the water and resume aquatic activities.

All club members attending training sessions, including athletes, coaches, COVID-19 officers, persons of duty etc. are required to complete and return the updated declaration form to their club by Friday 17th

September, to enable clubs to best plan their ongoing training programmes. **This is a consent off-form that will remove the requirement for daily self-report screening forms.**

- One of the purposes on the updated declaration form is to alleviate the burden placed on club volunteers and club members by the daily self-report screening form. Club members are encouraged to promptly complete and return the declaration form.
- In line with GDPR best practice the declaration forms should be held until 30th October 2022, after which time they will be safely and securely destroyed.
- Club members over 18 in Republic of Ireland will be asked to indicate their COVID-19 immunity status. Proof of immunity will be required for adults over 18 years of age.
- Club members from Northern Ireland attending training or events in Republic of Ireland will be required to provide proof of immunity.
- COVID-19 immunity is defined as [www.gov.ie](https://www.gov.ie/en/covid-19/proof-of-immunity/) as fully vaccinated or recovered from COVID-19 within previous 6 months.
- Your HSE Vaccination Card or your EU Digital COVID Certificate is acceptable as proof of immunity. Facilities and clubs may also ask for Photo ID for verification purposes.