

OG 1000.36 COVID-19 VACCINATION REQUIREMENTS

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SCOPE:

Any member of the Fire Districts who responds on calls will be considered a health care worker for the purpose of this Operational Guideline.

PURPOSE:

To establish the procedures for Jefferson and Scio Fire Districts (hereby referred to as Fire Districts) to meet the requirements of the temporary Administrative Order PH 38-2021, Vaccination Requirements to Control COVID-19 for Healthcare Providers and Healthcare Staff. It is the intent of the Fire Districts to comply with this order and to work with each member to minimize the personal impact of the member.

PROCEDURES

- A. On or before October 18, 2021, members of the Fire Districts must provide to the Fire Chief of their assigned district the following documentation.
 1. Proof of vaccination for COVID-19 showing they are fully vaccinated; or
 2. Documentation of a medical or religious exception.
 - a. A medical exception must be on an Oregon Health Authority form and signed by a medical provider, who is not the individual seeking the exception, certifying that the individual has a physical or mental impairment that limits the individual's ability to receive a COVID-19 vaccination based on a specified medical diagnosis, and that specifies whether the impairment is temporary in nature or permanent.
 - b. A religious exception must on an Oregon Health Authority form, signed by the individual stating that the individual is requesting an exception from the COVID-19 vaccination requirement on the basis of a sincerely held religious belief and including a statement describing the way in which the vaccination requirement conflicts with the religious observance, practice, or belief of the individual.
 3. The vaccination documentation and documentation of medical and religious exceptions will be retained in a single COVID file by each Fire District. The documentation shall be.
 - a. Maintained in accordance with applicable with federal and state laws.
 - b. Maintained for at least two years.
 - c. Provided to the Oregon Health Authority upon request. Confidential copy may be provided to appropriate party from OHA or member upon written request. The original cannot be removed from Fire Districts business office.
 4. If proof of vaccination for COVID-19, a medical exception, or religious exception is not provided to the fire district by October 18, 2021 the member will be placed on a leave of absence. The leave will be evaluated once proof of vaccination, one of the exceptions have been received by the district and evaluated, or the rule is rescinded. Upon returning training that has been missed will need to be completed before responding to emergencies.