

Rotational Workers Directive for Vaccination, COVID-19 Testing & Isolation



Definition of Rotational Worker:



A **rotational worker** is a resident of New Brunswick who has a set schedule where they alternate between living in New Brunswick and living and working outside the province, such as an Alberta oil worker.

This directive only applies to rotational workers who travel to another province or territory in Canada (outside New Brunswick) to work. This does not apply to people who travel out of the province for work on occasion, for example, to attend a business meeting outside of New Brunswick once a month.

Effective March 26, 11:59 pm rotational workers who are at least 14 days post-vaccination no longer need to self-isolate upon return to New Brunswick and are free to move around as other New Brunswickers. Until we vaccinate more of the New Brunswick population, at this time, vaccinated rotational workers must also be tested for COVID-19 on day 5 and day 10 on each return to New Brunswick.

These guidelines do not apply to rotational workers who work outside of Canada. These workers must follow federal isolation and testing requirements in the *Quarantine Act*.

FAQs:

How do I make the arrangements to get vaccinated?

- Starting on March 24th, 2021, community pharmacies will start to take vaccine appointments for rotational workers, daily commuters and truckers.
- [Contact a pharmacy](#) to schedule an appointment.

When I return to N.B., can I get vaccinated during my 14-day isolation period?

- Yes. Rotational workers may break their self-isolation for the purpose of getting a vaccine as this is considered a necessary medical appointment.
- Rotational workers must go directly from home to a pharmacy for their vaccine appointment.
- A pharmacist may choose to book your appointment near the end of the day or arrange for vaccination in your vehicle.
- It is important to continue to follow public health measures including physical distancing, wearing a mask and using proper hand hygiene.
- After the vaccine appointment, return home to resume self-isolation and complete the 14-day self-isolation requirement.

Are there any special precautions that I need to follow if I get vaccinated during my isolation period?

- Until a rotational worker is 14 days post-vaccination, they must continue to adhere to the current self-isolation requirements with the exception of being allowed to break self-isolation to be vaccinated.
- After the vaccine appointment, return home to resume self-isolation and complete the 14-day requirement.

After I have been vaccinated, do I need to follow public health measures for New Brunswick?

Yes, all New Brunswickers will continue to follow Public Health measures of physical distancing, mask wearing and hand washing, as well as any other guidance recommended for the colour phase of their zone.

Fourteen days after I have been vaccinated, am I required to continue to isolate when I return home after leaving the province for work?

Rotational workers who are at least 14 days post-vaccination no longer need to self-isolate upon return to New Brunswick and are free to move around as other New Brunswickers.

Do I need documentation to prove I am a rotational worker, daily commuter, or trucker to receive a COVID-19 vaccine?

Yes, please bring a copy of your registration from the travel registration program, or a letter from your employer or your Class 1 drivers license if you are a long haul trucker.

What documentation (proof) is needed at the border when I enter New Brunswick in order to be exempt from isolation?

Please keep a copy of your proof of COVID-19 vaccination with you.

If I have been vaccinated in another province, do I need to isolate?

Rotational workers who are at least 14 days post-vaccination do not need to self-isolate upon return to New Brunswick and are free to move around as other New Brunswickers.

I am returning from outside of Canada and have been vaccinated in another country, do I need to isolate?

Rotational workers who work outside of Canada must follow federal isolation and testing requirements under the *Quarantine Act*.

If I choose not to get vaccinated, do I still need to isolate?

If a rotational worker does not get vaccinated, they will still be required to self-isolate for 14 days, and complete mandatory testing on day 10. Anyone else living in the same household would also be required to self-isolate.

How do I register for a COVID-19 test on Day 5 and Day 10?

The quickest way is to register for a test online by clicking '[Get tested](#)' on the GNB Coronavirus website or if you do not have access to the online system, please call 811.