RESTRICTIONS ON GATHERINGS IN PROVINCES AND TERRITORIES: COVID-19

All provinces and territories across Canada have declared Public Health Emergencies as a result of COVID–19. To limit the spread of COVID-19, they have placed restrictions on public and private gatherings – both indoor and outdoor. These restrictions can vary from region to region, even within provincial borders.

Through continuous monitoring and assessing of their respective situations, regions have loosened and tightened restrictions on gatherings and introduced the concept of household and social bubbles. Restrictions will continue to change over the coming months.

Any gathering, whether it be for essential or non-essential reasons, continues to require strict adherence to physical distancing guidelines of 2 metres or 6 feet between individuals. When physical distancing cannot be maintained, such as in crowded public settings, a non-medical mask or face covering should be worn.

The following information sheet provides details on the date that public health emergencies were declared in each province and territory, their respective restrictions for gatherings as of **November 2**nd, **2020**, along with a government source for more information.

Due to the rapidly changing information and nuanced interpretations of gathering restrictions across Canada, it is recommended that readers check respective websites for the most up-to-date information.



British Columbia (Public Health Emergency: March 18, 2020)

- Private gatherings limited to immediate household plus 6 people (safe six)
- Public gatherings up to 50 people

http://www.bccdc.ca/health-info/diseases-conditions/covid-19/event-planning

Alberta (Public Health Emergency: March 17, 2020)

- Calgary and Edmonton zones only Indoor and outdoor social gatherings up to 15 people (3 household bubble; 4 for young children in child care)
- Indoor social gatherings up to 50 people
- Outdoor events or seated indoor events up to 100
- Audience-type community outdoor event up to 200 people

https://www.alberta.ca/restrictions-on-gatherings.aspx



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Saskatchewan (Public Health Emergency: March 18, 2020)

- Three or four close families or groups of friends may form an extended household group up to 15 people
- Indoor and outdoor public gatherings up to 15-30 people, depending on space available for physical distancing

https://www.saskatchewan.ca/government/health-care-administration-and-provider-resources/treatment-procedures-and-guidelines/emerging-public-health-issues/2019-novel-coronavirus/public-health-measures/mass-gatherings#public-and-private-gatherings

Manitoba (Public Health Emergency: March 20, 2020)

- Winnipeg metropolitan region & Northern region and Churchill -Social gatherings up to 5 people
- Indoor gatherings up to 50 people
- Outdoor gatherings up to 100 people

https://manitoba.ca/covid19/protection/soe.html

Ontario (Public Health Emergency: March 17, 2020)

- ☐ Indoor gatherings up to 10 people
- ☐ Outdoor gatherings up to 25 people

https://www.ontario.ca/page/reopening-ontario-stages#gathering-changes

Quebec (Public Health Emergency: March 13, 2020)

All gathering limits are based on the alert level in force by region. https://www.quebec.ca/en/health/health-issues/a-z/2019-coronavirus/progressive-regional-alert-and-intervention-system/map-of-covid-19-alert-levels-by-region/

Newfoundland and Labrador (Public Health Emergency: March 18, 2020)

- Gatherings run by a recognized business or organization, up to 100 people indoors (maximum restricted to 50% of venue's capacity); up to 100 people outdoors
- Gatherings not run by recognized business or organization, up to 50 people for both Indoor and outdoor public and private gatherings

https://www.gov.nl.ca/covid-19/guidance-for-gatherings/

Prince Edward Island (Public Health Emergency: March 16, 2020)

- Indoor gatherings up to 20 people
- Outdoor gatherings up to 20 people
- Indoor/outdoor organized gatherings up to 50 people (Additional cohorts of up to 50 people, with each cohort kept separate, with prior approval by the Chief Public Health Office)

https://www.princeedwardisland.ca/en/information/health-and-wellness/gatherings-guidance

Nova Scotia (Public Health Emergency: March 22)

- Indoor and outdoor private gatherings up to 10 people
- Indoor and outdoor organized gatherings up to 50 people
- Indoor gatherings run by a recognized business or organization up to 200 people (maximum restricted to 50% of venue's capacity)
- Outdoor gatherings run by a recognized business or organization up to 250 people

https://novascotia.ca/coronavirus/what-it-means-for-novascotians/#gatherings



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New Brunswick (Public Health Emergency: March 19, 2020)

- Campbellton region indoor/outdoor gatherings up to 10 people
- All other regions Indoor or outdoor gatherings up to 50 people

https://www2.gnb.ca/content/gnb/en/corporate/promo/covid-19/recovery.html

Northwest Territories (Public Health Emergency: March 18, 2020) Private indoor gatherings limited to household and 5 additional people, up to maximum of 10 people
☐ Organized indoor gatherings up to 25 people
☐ Organized outdoor gatherings up to 50 people
https://www.gov.nt.ca/covid-19/en/services/health-and-well-
being/health-advice-gatherings
Nunavut (Public Health Emergency: March 20, 2020) Indoor gatherings - total number of occupants plus up to 15 people
Outdoor gatherings up to 100 people
https://www.gov.nu.ca/health/information/nunavuts-path
Yukon (Public Health Emergency: March 27 2020)
☐ Private Indoor gatherings up to 10 people (2-household bubbles)
☐ Private outdoor gatherings up to 50 outdoors
☐ Indoor organized gatherings up to 50 people
 Outdoor organized gatherings up to 100 people
https://yukon.ca/en/health-and-wellness/covid-19-information/holding-
gathering-guidelines-covid-19



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