



COVID-19 — Gatherings

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Information about COVID-19 continues to evolve and we use [provincial gathering guidelines](#) to inform our decisions. If you're unsure about a gathering it is good practice to contact your local public health unit.

Vulnerable individuals or those with chronic conditions are to determine the appropriateness of attending a gathering.

Remember that leaders and organizers are legally responsible for preventing or reducing the risk of infection among staff, volunteers, members, and visitors. This means the leader of the group is accountable and must ensure everyone present always adheres to the protocols below.

Individuals must not attend any gatherings if they have travelled outside the province within the past two weeks; are living with/have been exposed to anyone with symptoms of, or who tested positive for, COVID-19; or are sick or not feeling well.

Step 1 of the Provincial Roadmap to Reopen - Organized public events and social gatherings

- Indoor organized public events and social gatherings are not allowed, except with members of the same household (the people you live with) and caregivers.
- Individuals who live alone may consider gathering exclusively with another household to help reduce the negative impacts of social isolation.
- Outdoor organized public events and social gatherings are permitted up to 10 people.
- Physical distancing of 2 metres must be maintained with people outside your household, except for your caregiver or one person outside your household who lives alone.
- You must wear a mask or face covering if you are within 2 metres of another person who is not part of your household, with limited exceptions.

Planning the Event

- Sanitize any common surfaces prior to and after the event.
- Check that the space being used can always accommodate people staying six feet apart.

Attendance

- Keep a record of who attends the event in case someone is later diagnosed with COVID-19 and contact tracing needs to occur.
- Be sure to record each person's first and last name, email address, and phone number.

At the Event

- Practice physical distancing at all times (six feet distance from others).
- Remind participants that if any of them is diagnosed with COVID-19 within two weeks of the gathering, they must let the organizer know.
- As necessary, wash hands frequently with soap and water. Use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer if soap and water are not available.
- Children must remain with their family unit at all times.
- Singing is not allowed at events as it is a proven way the virus is transmitted.
- No shared food or drink.

You must wear a mask or face covering if you are within 2 metres of another person who is not part of your household, with limited exceptions (anyone with a relevant medical condition or disability that prohibits them from wearing a mask, as well as young children under the age of two.)