



The Ontario Government just [released this press release](#) identifying that the Peterborough Public Health region will transition to the RED or “CONTROL” level on Monday March 8th at 12:01am. We will be in this level for a minimum of 14 days, unless the Province deems it necessary to move us to a more restrictive level, which in that case, could happen sooner.

You can read up on the entire Ontario COVID-19 response framework, including the RED level requirements [at this link](#). As well, the Regulation associated with the RED level of restrictions is [O. Reg 263/2](#)

Red – Organized Public Events, Social Gatherings and Weddings, Funeral and Religious Services, Rites and Ceremonies

- Limits for all organized public events and social gatherings:
 - 5 people indoors
 - 25 people outdoors
- Limits for religious services rites or ceremonies, including wedding services and funeral services, where physical distancing can be maintained (applies in any venue other than a private dwelling):
 - 30% capacity of the room indoors
 - 100 people outdoors

Red – Restaurants, Bars, and Other Food and Drink Establishments

- Capacity limits, where physical distancing can be maintained:
 - 10 patrons seated indoors
- Outdoor dining, take out, drive through, and delivery permitted, including alcohol
- No buffet style service
- Line-ups and patrons congregating outside venues managed by venue; 2 metres distance and face covering required
- Screening of patrons is required, in accordance with [instructions issued by the Office of the Chief Medical Officer of Health](#)
- Require patrons to be seated; 2 metres minimum or impermeable barrier required between tables
- Limit of 4 people may be seated together
- Require contact information for all seated patrons
- Face coverings required except when eating or drinking only
- Personal protective equipment, including eye protection required when is a worker must come within 2 metres of another person who is not wearing a face covering
- Establishments must be closed from 10 p.m. to 5 a.m.
- Liquor sold or served only between 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.
- No consumption of liquor permitted between 10 p.m. to 9 a.m.
- Dancing, singing and the live performance of music is prohibited
- Limit volume of music to be low enough that a normal conversation is possible
- Night clubs and strip clubs only permitted to operate as restaurant or bar
- A [safety plan](#) is required to be prepared and made available upon request

Red – Sports and Recreational Fitness Facilities

- Maintain 2 metres physical distancing at all times
- Increase spacing between patrons to 3 metres in areas where there are weights or exercise equipment and in exercise and fitness classes
- Capacity limits, where physical distancing can be maintained
 - 10 people in indoor areas with weights and exercise machines
 - 10 people in all indoor classes or
 - 25 people in outdoor classes
 - No spectators permitted, however each person under 18 may be accompanied by one parent or guardian
- Team sports must not be practiced or played except for training (no games or scrimmage)
- Activities that are likely to result in individuals coming within 2 metres of each other are not permitted; no contact permitted for team or individual sports
- Exemptions for high performance athletes and parasport
- Patrons may only be in the facility for 90 minutes except if engaging in a sport
- Limit volume of music to be low enough that a normal conversation is possible; measures to prevent shouting by both instructors and members of the public
- Face coverings required except when exercising
- Require contact information for all members of the public that enter the facility
- Require reservation for entry; one reservation for teams
- Screening of patrons is required, in accordance with [instructions issued by the Office of the Chief Medical Officer of Health](#)
- A [safety plan](#) is required to be prepared and made available upon request

Red – Meeting and Event Spaces

- Capacity limit for the venue, where physical distancing can be maintained:
 - 10 people indoors or
 - 25 people outdoors
- Establishments must be closed from 10 p.m. to 5 a.m.
- Liquor sold or served only between 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.
- No consumption of liquor permitted between 10 p.m. to 9 a.m.
- Face coverings required except when eating or drinking only
- Require contact information for all seated patrons
- Limit of 4 people may be seated together
- Limit volume of music to be low enough that a normal conversation is possible
- Screening of patrons is required, in accordance with [instructions issued by the Office of the Chief Medical Officer of Health](#)
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Red – Retail

- Capacity limits of:
 - 75% for supermarkets and other stores that primarily sell groceries, convenience stores, pharmacies
 - 50% for all other retail, including discount and big box retailers, liquor stores, hardware stores and garden centres
- Stores must post capacity limit publicly
- Stores must have passive screening for patrons (for example, posting signs outside the store front about not entering if you have COVID-19 symptoms)
 - This does not apply to indoor malls, which will have to do screening in accordance with [instructions by the Office of the Chief Medical Officer of Health](#)

- Stores within the malls subject to appropriate retail measures
- Fitting rooms must be limited to non-adjacent stalls
- Line-ups and patrons congregating outside venues managed by venue; 2 metres distance required inside and outside; face covering also required while in line
- Limit volume of music to be low enough that a normal conversation is possible
- For malls:
 - Maximum number of patrons permitted to be seated indoors in mall food court is 10
 - A [safety plan](#) is required to be prepared and made available upon request

Red – Personal Care Services

- Oxygen bars, steam rooms, saunas, bath houses and other adult venues, closed
- Sensory deprivation pods closed (some exceptions)
- Services requiring removal of face coverings prohibited
- Require contact information from all patrons
- Screening of patrons is required, in accordance with [instructions issued by the Office of the Chief Medical Officer of Health](#)
- A [safety plan](#) is required to be prepared and made available upon request

Red – Casinos, Bingo Halls and Gaming Establishments

- Capacity limit for the venue, where physical distancing can be maintained:
 - 10 people indoors or
 - 25 people outdoors
- Table games are prohibited
- Face coverings required except when eating or drinking only
- Liquor sold or served only between 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.
- No consumption of liquor permitted between 10 p.m. to 9 a.m.
- Require contact information from all patrons

- Screening of patrons is required, in accordance with [instructions issued by the Office of the Chief Medical Officer of Health](#)
- A [safety plan](#) is required to be prepared and made available upon request

Red – Cinemas

- Closed, except for:
 - drive-in cinemas
 - rehearsal or performing a recorded or broadcasted event, with restrictions, which include:
 - Performers and employees must maintain 2 metres physical distance except for purposes of the performance
 - Singers and players of brass or wind instruments must be separated from any other performers by plexiglass or other impermeable barrier
 - A [safety plan](#) is required to be prepared and made available upon request

Red – Performing Arts Facilities

- Closed to spectators
- Rehearsal or performing a recorded or broadcasted event permitted, with restrictions, which include:
 - Performers and employees must maintain 2 metres physical distance except for purposes of the performance
 - Singers and players of brass or wind instruments must be separated from any other performers by plexiglass or other impermeable barrier
- Drive-in performances permitted
- A [safety plan](#) is required to be prepared and made available upon request