

Alberta has implemented new mandatory public health measures: (all existing measures and legal orders remain in place).

The following measures are province wide and will be in place until at least January 12, 2021.

Mandatory Measures Effective Immediately

- ❖ All indoor and outdoor social gatherings – public and private – are not allowed.
- ❖ Close contacts are limited to household members only. People who live alone can have up to 2 close contacts, but they must be the same contacts & no home visits if they do not live alone.
- ❖ Weddings/funerals are a maximum of 10 people, no receptions permitted
- ❖ Festivals, parades, events, exhibitions, competitions, sport and performance remain prohibited.
- ❖ Mandatory indoor public masking requirement.

Mandatory Measures Effective December 13, 2020

- Mandatory work from home measures will be implemented, unless employer determines that work requires a physical presence for operational effectiveness.
- Places of worship, and retail services are permitted at 15% of fire code occupancy for in-person attendance.
- Restaurants, pubs, bars, lounges and cafes will be closed to in-person service. Take-out, pickup and delivery services allowed.
- Casinos, bingo halls, gaming entertainment centers, recreational facilities as well as other businesses and services will be closed.

Why these measures are needed

Albertans have a responsibility to slow the virus's spread and make sure the health system can continue supporting patients with COVID-19, influenza and many other needs.

There is a time lag between when people get infected and when new cases are identified. This means the cases we see today were infected up to 2 weeks ago.

We must work together to protect each other. The greater the community spread, the more likely it will infect our loved ones most at-risk of severe outcomes, including death.

Protect our Elder's, your actions can save lives.

- Practice physical distancing of 6 feet or 2 meters
- Wash your hands often
- Avoid touching your face with unwashed hands
- Don't gather in groups
- Limit all unnecessary contact with Elders
- Wear a mask when you can't practice physical distancing
- Your friends will still be there when this is over. For now, video chat, text or call to stay in touch.
- When you take these actions, you protect the knowledge keepers in our communities.

Gathering Restrictions

Alberta declared a State of Public Health Emergency to protect the health care system from COVID-19. Social gatherings are the top source of transmission.

Effective Dec. 8; all indoor and outdoor social gatherings are prohibited. This will be enforced with \$1,000 fines.

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Close contacts are limited to household members only

People who live alone can have up to 2 close contacts:

- ❖ must be the same two contacts throughout the duration of the restriction
- ❖ if the close contacts do not live alone, visits cannot be held at their home
- ❖ single parents who only live with their children under 18 are permitted to have up to 2 close contacts. (Contact meaning 1 person)

This does not apply to:

- ❖ co-parenting arrangements
- ❖ service visits from caregivers, health or childcare providers
- ❖ home maintenance and repairs
- ❖ mutual support group meetings