

COVID-19: UPDATE ON CURRENT STAY AT HOME ORDER

Welland, ON – In a tweet Saturday afternoon, Premier Ford posted "Regulations will be amended to allow playgrounds but gatherings outside will still be enforced. Play outside safely. Parents keep your distance & wear masks if you can't."

Outdoor recreational amenities and multi-use fields that remain closed are as follows:

- baseball diamonds
- soccer fields
- tennis, platform tennis, table tennis and pickleball courts
- basketball courts
- BMX/skate parks
- portions of parks or recreational areas containing outdoor fitness equipment

Parks or recreational areas are open for the purposes of permitting persons to walk through or use portions of the park or recreational area. Waterway access is limited to personal recreation and we ask all to exercise cold water safety protocols.

Playgrounds, play structures, and equipment can be used by children if both the children and their parents can maintain a physical distance of at least two metres from others (other than a person who is a member of the same household, a member of one other household who lives alone, or a caregiver for any member of either household).

Outdoor parks and recreational areas, off-leash dog parks and benches in parks or recreational areas can be used if persons using the amenity maintain a physical distance of at least two metres from any other person who is also using the facility, other than a person who is a member of the same household, a member of one other household who lives alone or a caregiver for any member of either household.

During normal business hours (Monday to Friday, 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM), concerns around enforcement of COVID-19 emergency orders please contact By-Law Enforcement Division at 905-735-1700 Ext. 2224; by email at bylaw_enforc@welland.ca. After 4:30pm, COVID-19 concerns should be directed to the Niagara Regional Police Service Non-Emergency Line at 905-688-4111; Option 1.

To access services during the Stay-at-Home order please visit welland.ca.

For more information on Ontario's response to COVID-19, visit ontario.ca.

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