

Parksville-Qualicum Beach Community Update

COVID Update

This afternoon, the Province of BC announced the lifting of some restrictions which have been in place for some time; part of a long-term COVID management program to ensure balance in the easing of restrictions. We will see incremental easing of restrictions and orders starting this week with the remaining COVID-19 public health measures to be reviewed in March and April.

Individuals and organizations will be able to assess risks and determine comfort zones, meaning we will be able to go at our own pace. Because COVID-19 continues to circulate in our communities, immunization campaigns will continue, including boosters.

The vaccine card will continue to be required for access to restaurants, fitness facilities and other indoor spaces and masks are required in indoor public spaces.

PROTECTIVE MEASURES IN PLACE TO CONTINUE (To be reviewed again by March 15 and April 12)

- Masks in indoor public spaces
- BC vaccine card
- COVID-19 safety plans
- Long-term care visitation restrictions
- K-12 and childcare guidelines
- Faith community guidelines
- Restrictions on child and youth overnight camps
- Industrial camp order



THINGS WE CAN DO

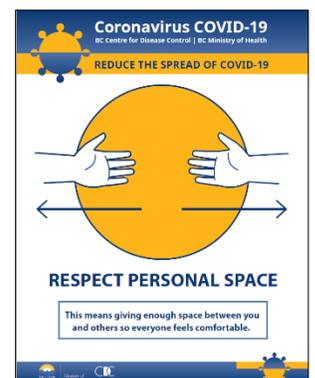
(Starting February 16 at 11.59 pm)

- Indoor personal gatherings - return to normal.
- Indoor and outdoor organized gatherings - full capacity, dancing allowed (with masks and BC vaccine card)
- Indoor seated events - full capacity (with masks and BC vaccine card)
- Fitness centres, adult sports, dance, swimming - full capacity, no tournament restrictions (with masks and BC vaccine card)
- Restaurants, bars and nightclubs - full capacity, no table limits, mingling and dancing allowed (with masks and BC vaccine card)

The updated Public Health Orders may be viewed at this [link](#).

Respectful Distancing

As we learn to live with the pandemic there will be a shift from the term 'physical distancing' to 'respectful distancing'. Respectful distancing drops the strictness of two metres between people and is all about respecting the personal space of others. It is a positive move for the general population because after almost two years of very specific instructions, people can determine what is comfortable for them.



Town of Qualicum Beach

Town Hall is open to the public with full services. Hours of operation are Monday to Friday, 9 am to 4 pm (except statutory holidays). Although the office is open, residents are strongly encouraged to take advantage of the other payment options including payment through your financial institution; mail a cheque; or drop off a cheque at Town Hall drop box (location below). If you do wish to visit Town Hall to conduct business, masks are mandatory while in the building.

- Email qbtown@qualicumbeach.com
- Phone 250 752-6921
- Post PO Box 130, Qualicum Beach V9K 1S7
- Mail Slot Out front of Town Hall, nearest the fountain
- [Website](#)

City of Parksville

City Hall is open to the public from 8 am to 4 pm and our operations department from 8 am to 4 pm and closed noon to 1 pm.

Information for the public when visiting:

- Access to the Parksville Civic and Technology Centre is from Jensen Avenue East and from the library parking lot.
- Masks are mandatory while in the building.
- Staff may elect to meet with the public either in-person or virtually and in-person meetings will comply with protocols on distancing and masks.
- Main floor washrooms are open for public use.

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