

**MEMORANDUM TO:** All Chiefs of Police and  
Commissioner Thomas Carrique  
Chairs, Police Services Boards

**FROM:** Richard Stubbings  
Assistant Deputy Minister  
Public Safety Division

**SUBJECT:** Continued Mask and Face Covering Requirements in  
Certain Settings beyond April 27, 2022

<b>DATE OF ISSUE:</b>	<b>April 27, 2022</b>
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The Chief Medical Officer of Health (CMOH) has issued a Class Order made pursuant to Section 22 under Section 77.1 of the *Health Protection and Promotion Act* (HPPA). This Class Order is to continue the requirement for masking in certain settings.

**The Order took effect at 12:00 a.m. April 27, 2022 and is expected to remain in place until 12:00 a.m. (the first instant of) June 11, 2022, unless otherwise extended or revoked.**

All police officers and provincial offences officers are authorized to enforce the CMOH's order. Failure to comply with the order is an offence under subsection 100(1) of the HPPA.

- Non-compliance with the CMOH's order is a ticketable offence under the *Provincial Offences Act* (POA), subject to a set \$750.00 fine.
- Non-compliance with the CMOH's order is an offence for which one is liable, on conviction, to a fine of not more than \$5,000.00 for every day or part of each day on which the offence occurs or continues. For corporations, they may be liable, on conviction, to a fine of not more than \$25,000 for every day or part of each day on which the offence occurs or continues.

More information on the set fine schedule can be found [here](#)

The CMOH Class Order replicates the current masking requirements under O. Reg. 364/20 under *the Reopening Ontario (A Flexible Response to COVID-19) Act, 2020* (ROA) which expires on April 27, 2022. It does not impose any additional requirements.

Limited settings where masking requirements will continue include:

- Public transit including indoor areas and vehicles, but excluding businesses or organizations that provide sightseeing or touring services
- Hospitals, including private hospitals, and psychiatric facilities
- Other health care settings:
  - Clinics that provide health care services (doctors' offices, Community Health Centres, public health/immunization clinics, mental health clinics, etc.)
  - Laboratories and specimen collection centres
  - Independent Health Facilities (e.g., dialysis, birth centres, nuclear medicine)
  - Employees and contractors of home and community care providers
- Long-term care homes
- Retirement homes
- Congregate care settings that provide care and services to medically and socially vulnerable individuals
- Shelters

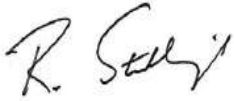
For a detailed list of settings where wearing a mask will continue to apply as well as a list of exemptions, please refer to the attachments. An example of an exempted setting includes correctional institutions or in a custody and detention program for young persons in conflict with the law. A copy of the Order can also be found [here](#).

The order applies to the persons responsible for the business or organization that is listed. It also applies to persons in the indoor areas of the premises of a listed business or organization or in a vehicle operating as part of the business or organization.

Please note that on April 6, 2022, O. Reg 8/21 under the *Emergency Management and Civil Protections Act* was revoked. As such, the ability of police officers and other provincial offences officers to compel individuals to identify themselves in order to lay a charge for contravening a Section 22 COVID-19 order is no longer available.

I want to thank you once again for your continued support to ensure the health and safety of our communities.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "R. Stubbings". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

Richard Stubbings  
Assistant Deputy Minister  
Public Safety Division

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c: Mario Di Tommaso, O.O.M.  
Deputy Solicitor General, Community Safety