

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

FROM: Richard Stubbings
Assistant Deputy Minister
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SUBJECT: Continued Mask and Face Covering Requirements in
Certain Settings beyond April 27, 2022

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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

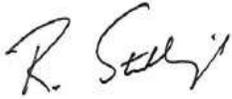
For a detailed list of settings where wearing a mask will continue to apply as well as a list of exemptions, please refer to the attachments. An example of an exempted setting includes correctional institutions or in a custody and detention program for young persons in conflict with the law. A copy of 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
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Public Safety Division

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