

Leeds, Grenville and Lanark District Health Unit

Public Health Instructions under

The Reopening Ontario (A Flexible Response to COVID-19) Act, 2020

DUTY OF OPERATOR

1. (1) Every Operator of an Enclosed Public Space shall adopt a policy to ensure that no member of the public is permitted to enter or remain in the public areas of the Enclosed Public Space unless he or she is wearing a Face Covering/Mask in a manner that securely covers their nose, mouth and chin.

(2) Subsection (1) does not apply to:

- a) Children under two years of age, or children under the age of five years either chronologically or developmentally who refuse to wear a Mask and cannot be persuaded to do so by their caregiver;
 - b) Individuals with medical conditions rendering them unable to safely wear a Mask, including breathing difficulties or cognitive difficulties;
 - c) Individuals who are unable to apply or remove a Mask without assistance, including those who are accommodated under the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act (AODA) or who have protections under the Ontario *Human Rights Code*, R.S.O. 1990, c.H.19, as amended
 - d) A person who is employed by or is an agent of the Operator of an Enclosed Public Space and:
 - i. is in an area of the premises that is not designated for public access, or
 - ii. is within or behind a physical barrier (e.g., Plexiglas).
2. Implementation of the policy should be enacted and enforced in 'good faith' and should be primarily used as a means to educate people on Face Covering/Mask use in public spaces.



3. No person shall be required to provide proof of any of the exemptions set out in Subsection 1(2)

4. The policy shall:

- a) exempt the persons set out in Subsection 1(2) from the obligation of wearing a Face Covering/Mask,
- b) ensure that all persons working at the Establishment are trained in the requirements of the policy

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