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Roadmap to Reopen

A Cautious and Safe Three-Step Plan at a Glance

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Roadmap to Reopen is a cautious three-step plan that will guide a safe and gradual reopening of the province and the lifting of public health measures based on the provincewide vaccination rate and improvements in key public health and health system indicators.

The province will remain in each of the steps for at least 21 days to evaluate any impacts on key public health indicators. If at the end of the 21 days, the vaccination thresholds have been met, alongside positive trends of other key public health and health system indicators, then the province will move forward.

Public health and workplace safety measures would continue to apply across all steps, including maintaining physical distance, capacity limits and wearing face coverings in indoor spaces and whenever physical distancing is a challenge.

The three steps of the Roadmap, which will be applied provincially, are the following:

Step One

Step One of the roadmap may begin after 60 per cent of Ontario's adults receive at least one dose of a COVID-19 vaccine and if public health indicators, such as hospitalizations, ICU occupancy and new admissions and case rates indicate the province can safely move to this step of the roadmap. Based on current trends in key health indicators, including the provincial vaccination rate, the government expects to enter Step One of the Roadmap the week of June 14, 2021. The province will confirm closer to the expected start of Step One.

Step One will permit the resumption of outdoor activities with smaller, well-managed crowds where risk of transmission is minimized and will permit retail, all with restrictions in place, including but not limited to:

- Outdoor gatherings up to 10 people;
- Outdoor dining up to 4 people per table;
- Outdoor fitness classes, personal training and sports training up to 10 people;
- Essential retail at 25 per cent capacity and can sell all goods (including discount and big box);
- Non-essential retail at 15 per cent capacity;
- Retail stores in malls closed unless the stores have a street facing entrance;
- Outdoor religious services, rites and ceremonies with capacity limited to permit 2 metres physical distancing;
- Horse racing and motor speedways without spectators;
- Outdoor horse riding;
- Outdoor pools, splash pads and wading pools with capacity limited to permit 2 metres physical distancing;

- Outdoor zoos, landmarks, historic sites, and botanical gardens with capacity limits;
- Campsites, campgrounds and short-term rentals; and
- Ontario Parks.

Step Two

Ontario will remain in Step One for at least 21 days. If at the end of those 21 days the province has vaccinated 70 per cent of adults with one dose and 20 per cent of adults with two doses and there are positive trends in public health and health system indicators, Ontario will move to Step Two.

Step Two will further expand outdoor activities and will resume limited indoor services with small numbers of people where face coverings are worn, with other restrictions in place, including but not limited to:

- Outdoor gatherings up to 25 people;
- Indoor gatherings up to 5 people and other restrictions;
- Outdoor dining up to 6 people per table;
- Outdoor sports and leagues;
- Outdoor meeting and event spaces with capacity limits;
- Non-essential retail at 25 per cent capacity; essential retail at 50 per cent capacity;
- Personal care services where face coverings can be worn at all times with capacity limits;
- Outdoor cinemas and performing arts with capacity limits;
- Horse racing and motor speedways for spectators with capacity limits;
- Outdoor tour and guide services with capacity limits;
- Indoor religious services, rites or ceremony gatherings at 15 per cent capacity;
- Public libraries with capacity limits;
- Outdoor waterparks and amusement parks with capacity limits; and
- Fairs and rural exhibitions with capacity limits.

Step Three

Ontario will remain in Step Two for at least 21 days. If at the end of those 21 days the province has vaccinated 70 to 80 per cent of adults with one dose and 25 per cent of adults with two and positive trends in public health and health system indicators continue, Ontario will move to Step Three.

Step Three will permit the resumption of indoor services with larger numbers of people, with restrictions in place, including but not limited to:

- Outdoor gatherings with larger capacity limits;
- Indoor gatherings with larger capacity limits and other restrictions;
- Indoor dining with capacity limits;
- Indoor sports and recreational fitness facilities with capacity limits;
- Indoor meeting and event spaces with capacity limits;
- Essential and non-essential retail capacity expanded;
- Personal care services with capacity expanded and other restrictions;
- Indoor cinemas and performing arts facilities with capacity limits;
- Indoor and outdoor religious services, rites or ceremony gatherings with capacity limited to permit 2 metres physical distancing;
- Indoor museums and art galleries with capacity limits;
- Indoor zoos, aquariums, waterparks and amusement parks with capacity limits;
- Casinos and bingo halls with capacity limits; and

• Other outdoor activities from Step Two permitted to operate indoors.

This list is not exhaustive. The government will continue to work with sectors on reopening plans, to ensure that they have full awareness of when they can begin to safely reopen and how.

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Subject / Sector	Before Step One	Step One	Step Two	Step Three
Retail	 Essential retail at 25% capacity; Other restrictions apply to some essential retailers (e.g. restricted hours, appointments required, etc.) In-store shopping at discount and big box retailers limited to essential goods Curbside pick- up or delivery for non- essential retail Restrictions on shopping malls 	 Essential retail at 25% capacity and and can sell all goods (including discount and big box) Non-essential retail at 15% capacity Retail stores in malls closed unless the stores have a street facing entrance. 	 Essential retail at 50% capacity Non-essential retail at 25% capacity 	Essential and non-essential retail open with capacity limited to permit 2m physical distancing
Liquor stores	Open at 25% capacity, with restricted hours	Open at 25% capacity	Open at 50% capacity	Open with capacity limited to permit 2m physical distancing

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Restaurants and bars	Open for take- out, drive- through and delivery service	Outdoor dining with 4 people per table and other restrictions	 Outdoor dining with 6 people per table and other restrictions Karaoke permitted with restrictions (outdoor) 	 Indoor dining with capacity and some other restrictions Outdoor dining with capacity limited to permit 2m physical distancing Buffets permitted Karaoke permitted with restrictions
Personal care services	• Closed	 Closed Sensory deprivation pods permitted when prescribed by a regulated health professional 	 Open at 25% capacity to maximum of 5 people Appointment required Services that require the removal of a face covering not permitted Only patrons being served can be in the setting 	Open with capacity limited to permit 2m physical distancing and other restrictions
Sports and recreational fitness facilities	 Closed for indoor use except for high- performance athletes, child care, mental health and addiction support services, social services, and physical therapy (subject to conditions) 	 Outdoor team sports – training only, 10 people max, 3m distance Closed for indoor use except for high- performance athletes, social services, and physical therapy 	 Outdoor sports leagues open Training for professional or amateur athletes and/or competitions 	 Indoor open, with some restrictions Outdoor open, with some restrictions

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Personal fitness and training	Closed – no indoor or outdoor sports or recreational classes at any indoor or outdoor sport and recreational facilities	 Outdoor fitness classes – 10 people max, 3m distance Outdoor personal training – 10 people max, 3m distance Outdoor sports training only – 10 people max, 3m distance 	 Outdoor fitness classes – 25 people max, 3m distance Outdoor personal training – 25 people max, 3m distance 	 Indoor open, with some restrictions Outdoor open, with some restrictions
Outdoor recreational amenities	 Open, including golf courses, tennis courts, skateboarding parks, sports fields, BMX and skate parks, shooting ranges and archery ranges, and others, with restrictions Horse riding permitted, with restrictions No outdoor sports or recreational classes are permitted. 	• Open	• Open	• Open
Water features	Closed	 Outdoor pools, splash pads, spray pads, whirlpools, wading pools and water slides open with capacity limited to permit 2m physical distancing 	 Outdoor pools, splash pads, spray pads, whirlpools, wading pools and water slides open with capacity limited to permit 2m physical distancing 	 Indoor and outdoor pools, splash pads, spray pads, whirlpools, wading pools and water slides open with capacity limited to permit 2m physical distancing

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Meeting and event spaces	Closed with exceptions for certain purposes including social services, government operations, court services, in-person examinations for select professions (subject to conditions)	Closed with exceptions for certain purposes including social services, government operations, court services, in- person examinations for select professions (subject to conditions)	 Outdoor spaces open at 25% capacity and other restrictions Indoor meeting and event spaces closed, with exceptions for certain purposes, and except for viewing for potential booking of a future event 	 Indoor spaces open with capacity and other restrictions, including for tradeshows, conferences and exhibitions
Day camps	Closed	Open based on guidance from the Chief Medical Officer of Health	Open based on guidance from the Chief Medical Officer of Health	Open based on guidance from the Chief Medical Officer of Health
Overnight camps	Closed	Closed	Open based on guidance from the Chief Medical Officer of Health, including epidemiological context and other specific conditions	Open based on guidance from the Chief Medical Officer of Health, including epidemiologica I context and other specific conditions
Commercial film/TV production	 Open with no audience No more than 50 performers on set Distance or equipment requirements for crew, hair and makeup services, and musicians Must comply with industry guidance Post-production, visual effects, animation studios open 	 Open with no audience No more than 50 performers on set Distance or equipment requirements for crew, hair and makeup services, and musicians Must comply with industry guidance Post-production, visual effects, animation studios open 	 Open with no audience Distance or equipment requirements for crew, hair and makeup services, and musicians Must comply with industry guidance Post-production, visual effects, animation studios open 	 Open with capacity restrictions for studio audiences. Distance or equipment requirements for crew, hair and makeup services, and musicians Must comply with industry guidance Post- production, visual effects, animation studios open

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Performing arts	Closed	Closed	 Indoor closed, permitted only for the purpose of rehearsing or performing a recorded or broadcasted event Outdoor open, including live music, with capacity and other restrictions 	 Indoor open, including live music, with capacity and other restrictions Outdoor open, including live music, with capacity restrictions
Cinemas	Closed	Drive-in open	 Indoor closed Outdoor open with capacity and other restrictions 	 Indoor open with capacity and other restrictions Outdoor open with capacity and other restrictions
Casino, bingo halls and gaming establishments	Closed	Closed	Closed	Open with capacity and other restrictions
Horse Racing	 Training only No members of the public permitted at the facility 	 Outdoor with capacity and crew restrictions No spectators 	Open with spectator capacity and other restrictions	Open with spectator capacity and other restrictions
Motorsports and speedways	Closed	 Outdoor with capacity and crew restrictions No spectators 	Open with spectator capacity and other restrictions	Open with spectator capacity and other restrictions
Weddings, funerals and religious services, rites and ceremonies (Does not apply to receptions)	 Max 10 persons indoors Max 10 people permitted outdoors 	 10 indoors Outdoor permitted with capacity limited to permit 2m physical distancing 	 Indoor permitted at 15% capacity Outdoor permitted with capacity limited to permit 2m physical distancing 	 Larger indoor services, rites, and ceremonies Outdoor permitted with capacity limited to permit 2m physical distancing

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Gatherings	 Max 5 people for outdoor gatherings 	 Max 10 people for outdoor gatherings and organized public events Indoor not permitted 	 Max 25 people for outdoor gatherings and organized public events Max 5 people for indoor gatherings and organized public events with other restrictions 	 Larger indoor and outdoor gatherings and organized public events with size limits
Short-term rentals (does not include hotels, motels, lodges, resorts, etc but does apply to cabins and cottages)	Only for people in need of housing	• Open	• Open	• Open
Public libraries	 Curbside pickups for materials Access to computers, photocopiers, and similar services permitted 	 Curbside pickups for materials Access to computers, photocopiers, and similar services permitted 	Open with 25% capacity and other restrictions	Open, with capacity limited to permit 2m physical distancing and other restrictions
Museums, Attractions, etc.	 Closed Zoos and aquariums open to care for animals 	Outdoor zoos, landmarks, historic sites, botanical gardens, and similar attractions open with reduced capacity and other restrictions (excludes public events)	 Outdoor waterparks open with reduced capacity and other restrictions Outdoor amusement parks open with reduced capacity and other restrictions, including on rides 	 Museums and art galleries open with capacity limited to permit 2m physical distancing and other restrictions Indoor zoos and aquariums, waterparks, and amusement parks open with capacity restrictions

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Fairs and Rural Exhibitions	Closed	Closed	Outdoor open at reduced capacity and other restrictions	 Indoor and outdoor open at reduced capacity and other restrictions
Tour and Guide Services (e.g., boat tours)	Closed	Closed	Outdoor open with capacity and other restrictions	Indoor open with capacity and other restrictions
Construction	Open with some limitations to commercial projects	All construction open	All constructionop en	All construction open
Driving Instruction and Testing	• e	Driving testing permitted with restrictions	 Driving testing permitted with restrictions Driving instruction permitted with restrictions 	 Driving testing permitted with restrictions Driving instruction permitted with restrictions
Veterinary services	Open	Open	• Open	Open
Pet grooming, animal shelters, stables, pet sitters, pet walkers, pet trainers	• Open	• Open	• Open	• Open
Lawn care and landscaping services	Open	Open	Open	Open

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Ontario Parks and Campgrounds	 Ontario Parks open for day use Overnight only open for individuals in need of housing or with full seasonal contracts; only sites with electricity, water and sewage facilities may be provided for use All recreational and shared facilities (e.g. washrooms) are closed 	• Open	• Open	• Open
Marinas / Boating Clubs	 Open with limited services including, repairs or servicing of boats, placing boats in water, and enabling individuals' access to their residence or property Recreational boating permitted but only members of a household can gather on a boat Clubhouse, rec facilities closed; restaurants open for take- out only 	Permitted with clubhouses, and other indoor amenities closed	Permitted with clubhouses, and other indoor amenities closed	Open with restrictions.
Strip clubs	 Permitted to operate as a restaurant in alignment with restaurant restrictions 	Permitted to operate as a restaurant in alignment with restaurant restrictions	Permitted to operate as a restaurant in alignment with restaurant restrictions	Permitted to operate as a strip club in alignment with restaurant and performance restrictions

Note: Bolded measures indicate new measures coming into effect as of May 22, 2021 at 12:01 a.m.

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