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Province issues new COVID-19 restrictions

State of Emergency and stay-at-home order extended two weeks

The Province of Ontario today announced further measures to slow the spread of COVID-19, including a two-week extension of the current State of Emergency and stay-at-home order. The new measures are effective as of Sat. April 17 at 12:01 a.m.

The following additional or modified restrictions will be in force:

- Outdoor gatherings with people outside a person's household will be prohibited, effective 12:01 a.m. Saturday.
- Outdoor amenities such as playgrounds, tennis and basketball courts and golf courses will be closed.
- Reduce capacity limits to 25 per cent in all retail settings where indoor shopping is permitted. This includes supermarkets, grocery stores and convenience stores.
- Effective 12:01 a.m. Monday, capacity at religious gatherings, weddings and funerals will be limited to 10 people.
- Starting Monday will be checkpoints at provincial borders with Quebec and Manitoba with exceptions for essential travel.
- Police will also have the authority to ask anyone outside their residence to indicate their purpose for leaving home and provide their address. That includes stopping vehicles and potentially issuing tickets of approximately \$750.
- Inspectors will also visit law offices, accounting firms and other such locations to check that only essential workers are in the building.
- Non-essential construction will be halted.

The following restrictions that were already in place will continue:

- Prohibiting indoor and outdoor dining. Restaurants, bars and other food or drink establishments will be permitted to operate by take-out, drive-through, and delivery only.
- No personal care services.

Staff will take time to assess the restrictions and communicate more to the public over the coming days. Please stay safe and stay home as much as possible and adhere to the Provincial orders.

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The Township has, since the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic in March, been offering all administrative services to our businesses and residents virtually. King Township remains open for business. Many services—including things like building permits, planning applications, garbage bag tags and the payment of water bills—can all be accessed online.

All essential services have continued, including Fire and Emergency Services, water, wastewater, waste collection, by-law enforcement and roads.

You can visit our website at www.king.ca, call us at 905-833-5321 (Monday to Friday, 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.) or email us at serviceking@king.ca.

For the latest King Township COVID-19 related information, please visit www.king.ca/covid19 or <http://bit.ly/yorkregioncovid19>.

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