



Notice to public and profession - COVID-19 Update

August 4, 2021

This notice is an update to our November 20, 2020 notice about mask-wearing in the courtrooms and courthouse.

Effective August 4, 2021, the Yukon government has lifted certain COVID-19 restrictions, including the requirement to wear masks in indoor public spaces. However, both the Chief Medical Officer of Health and Yukon government officials are continuing to recommend mask-wearing as an effective way to prevent the spread of COVID-19.

Courthouses and courtrooms are indoor public spaces and individuals often have no choice about attending court. It is also a workplace for many people.

As a result, mask-wearing will be required by anyone attending certain places in the courthouse. Those places are:

1. The space outside Courtroom 5.
2. The stairs and elevator leading to the second and fourth floors on the court side of the building.
3. The space on the second floor outside Courtrooms 1, 2, 3, and 4.
4. The Supreme Court boardroom, and the Territorial Court boardroom subject to the direction of the presiding judge.
5. All courtrooms, subject to the direction of the presiding judge.
6. The public side of the Court Registry.

Physical distancing will continue to be maintained wherever possible.

Hand sanitizers and wipes will continue to be available in the courtrooms and at each entrance to the atrium. Plexiglass barriers around the witness stands will remain in place and other barriers will be available for use at counsel tables if required.

We remind everyone to stay home if you have symptoms that could be COVID-19.

Thank you for your continued cooperation and compliance with these requirements that help us protect the health and safety of everyone.

Chief Justice S.M. Duncan

Chief Judge M. Cozens