

# Provincewide Emergency Brake Shutdown

Effective April 3, 2021



- ✓ On April 1, 2021 the Government of Ontario announced a [provincewide emergency brake shutdown](#).
- ✓ **Saturday, April 3 at 12:01 a.m.:** The provincewide shutdown will take effect for at least four weeks.
- ✓ Leave home for **essential** reasons only (e.g. work, medical appointments, groceries, outdoor exercise).
- ✓ **No indoor social gatherings with members of other households.** Individuals who live alone may consider having exclusive close contact with one other household.  
**No indoor organized public events.**
- ✓ Outdoor organized events and outdoor social gatherings are limited to a maximum of **5 people**. Physical distancing **must** be maintained outdoors. Masks/face coverings **must** be worn if you cannot maintain physical distance.

- Grocery stores, pharmacies, and convenience stores are open, following a **50% capacity limit**. All other retail stores, including discount and big box retailers, liquor stores, cannabis stores, hardware stores and garden centres are open with a **25% capacity limit**.
- Weddings, funerals and other religious services, rites or ceremonies will have capacity limits of 15% indoors, and the number of people that can maintain two metres physical distance from each other outdoors.
- **No indoor or outdoor dining is permitted in food premises.** Take out, drive-through and delivery options only.
- The following businesses are **closed**:
  - Personal care services (hair styling, barbering, tattooing, nail salons, etc.)
  - Casinos, bingo halls and gaming establishments
  - Cinemas and performing arts facilities
  - Sports and recreational fitness facilities (with limited exceptions)
- ⚠ For full details, please visit: [COVID-19 Shutdown: enhanced public health and workplace safety measures](#).



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