



COMMUNIQUÉ

Phase 3 of Reopening begins as Alert Level reduced to YELLOW this Friday, June 18th

For immediate release

(Kahnawake – 16, Ohiarí:ha/June 2021) The Kahnawà:ke COVID-19 Task Force (Task Force) wishes to confirm that Phase 3 of the Reopening Process will begin this Friday June 18, 2021 and are pleased to announce the lowering of the alert level to Yellow. This is the next step in the phased-in approach for the lowering of emergency measures in the community, as the effects of the pandemic continue to decrease at this time.

Phase 3 includes (but is not limited to) the following:

- **NEW – Bars & social clubs:** Will be allowed to reopen with 75% capacity. Patrons must remain seated at the table (no mingling). Bar seats must maintain 2 meter distancing. Maximum of ten (10) persons and three (3) households per table. Closure at midnight
- **NEW – Golf clubs:** Golf carts can now be shared between two (2) people from different households (if not vaccinated and different households, must wear masks)
- **NEW – Gas stations:** Self-serve permitted with hand hygiene before and after use
- **NEW – Outdoor non-contact organized and recreational sports:** Spectators now permitted to a maximum of 50 people, with public health measures in place
- **Outdoor private & public gatherings:** increase to maximum of 50 persons, space permitting and with measures
- **Indoor private gatherings:** two other households with an increase to a maximum of 12 persons
- **Churches, funerals & ceremonial gatherings:** increase to 75% capacity, with spacing and measures
- **Restaurants:** expansion of allowances for on-site dining to 75% capacity, with increase to a maximum of ten (10) persons and three (3) households per table. **Bars can open** with distancing measures. Closure at midnight
- **Gyms & fitness centers:** increase capacity to 75% capacity, with 25 person maximum persons with all public health measures in place. Masking required when moving from one location to another
- **Gaming establishments:** reopening with pre-approved Yellow Zone restrictions. **Bar can open** with distancing
- **Cigar lounges:** increase to 75% capacity on-site, with increase to a maximum of ten (10) persons and three (3) households per table. **Bar can open** with distancing measures. Closure at midnight

The Task Force is maintaining its four (4) phased approach, which began on May 21, 2021.

Phases 3 and 4, which will see a continuation of reduced restrictions, are tentatively scheduled at two-week intervals; however this will be reassessed as we continue through the phases.

The full Reopening Plan can be accessed by [clicking here](#). All dates and measures remain tentative at this time due to the changing nature of the pandemic.

It is important to note that, even with the large percentage of community as well as Quebec being vaccinated, we need to remain vigilant and continue to follow all health and safety measures in place to protect our community – especially our vulnerable population who remains at risk.

The Task Force appreciates everyone's cooperation and respect of the health and safety measures, ensuring a safe reopening.

Suggested Media

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