Yukon COVID-19 PUBLIC UPDATE

August 20, 2020 at 3:30 p.m.

This information is subject to change without notice. Changes from the last update are highlighted.

Public update for the week of August 20, 2020.

Yukon numbers	Confirmed cases: 15	Recovered: 15	Negative tests: 2,298	Pending results: 34	Total tested: 2,249

Emergency status: a state of emergency was declared on March 27, 2020. It was extended.

Health care
- From August 12 to August 18, 139 people went to the Respiratory Assessment Centre in Whitehorse and we tested 134 people.
- Residents of Yukon's five long-term care homes can now receive two designated visitors indoors: https://yukon.ca/en/news/august-19-2020-covid-19-update
- Going forward, new cases of COVID-19 will be identified through news releases and on Yukon.ca.
- The Council of Yukon First Nations (CYFN) and the Government of Yukon have developed a campaign that addresses some of the indirect consequences to children and families of the COVID-19 pandemic: https://yukon.ca/en/news/joint-initiative-reaches-out-families-and-children-crisis
- To help Yukoners at risk during this pandemic, vulnerable populations can now access mental health and social supports online.

Travel and borders
- Canada and the U.S. have extended border closures to non-essential travel until September 21.
- Stricter rules and additional entry conditions will be imposed on travellers transiting through Canada to Alaska: https://www.canada.ca/en/border-services-agency/news/2020/07/covid-19-stricter-rules-for-foreign-nationals-transiting-through-canada-to-alaska.html
- Residents of BC, Nunavut, NWT and Yukon are allowed to travel in those jurisdictions without the need to self-isolate for 14 days in Yukon.
- Individuals entering Yukon's airports must wear a mask and the Government of Canada require temperature screenings for all passengers.

Businesses and financial relief
- The support program to help Yukoners pay rent has been extended: https://yukon.ca/en/news/support-program-help-yukoners-pay-rent-extended
- Residential tenants who are under a health protection measure who need to breach their tenancy agreement because they are under a COVID-19 health protection order are protected from eviction.

Enforcement and other guidelines
- Yukon's Chief Medical Officer of Health is recommending to the Department of Education that children age 10 and older wear non-medical masks where physical distancing cannot be maintained.
- Each school in Yukon is required to have an operational plan: https://yukon.ca/en/news/update-school-operational-plans-and-school-busing-2020-21
- To support the government's COVID-19 response, staff from visitor information centres have been reassigned to work out of information stations: https://yukon.ca/en/news/august-5-2020-covid-19-update
- People in Yukon with out-of-territory plates can pick up a set of visitor decals at designated pickup points: https://yukon.ca/en/news/august-5-2020-covid-19-update
- If you have a question about enforcement or want to report a CEMA violation, email covid19enforcement@gov.yk.ca or phone 1-877-374-0425.