

CANADA
NUNAVUT

PUBLIC HEALTH ACT, S. Nu. 2016, c. 13

ORDER TO AIR CARRIERS

WHEREAS:

- A. The Minister of Health has declared a Public Health Emergency in Nunavut effective March 20, 2020 to address the novel coronavirus COVID-19 pandemic;
- B. Pursuant to section 41(1) of the *Public Health Act* (“the Act”) the Chief Public Health Officer may take certain actions, including issuing directions or orders for the purposes of protecting the public health and preventing, remedying or mitigating the effects of the public health emergency:

THEREFORE, and pursuant to subsection 41(1)(g) of the Act, the Chief Public Health Officer hereby issues this order to all air carriers and licensed resellers operating flights to and within Nunavut:

1. No person exhibiting any or all the following symptoms of novel coronavirus COVID-19 shall be permitted to travel to Nunavut:
 - a. Fever exceeding 38° Celsius (100.4° Fahrenheit);
 - b. Coughing;
 - c. Shortness of Breath
2. Air carriers may permit travel to passengers exhibiting respiratory symptoms such as coughing and shortness of breath if the person bears a letter of authorization from the Chief Public Health Officer or a Medical Health Officer stating that these symptoms are unrelated to novel coronavirus COVID-19.
3. All passengers must provide proof of Nunavut residency or that they are exempted critical labour.
4. The following shall constitute acceptable proof of Nunavut residency:
 - a. Nunavut driver’s licence;
 - b. Nunavut general identification card;

- c. Nunavut health care card;
 - d. Nunavut hunting licence; or
 - e. A statutory declaration of Nunavut residency.
5. Air carriers may consider any of the forms of identification listed in paragraph 3 to be valid despite the fact that the identification expired on a date following the declaration of the public health emergency.
 6. All Nunavut residents must produce a letter of authorization from the Chief Public Health Officer certifying that they have completed the mandatory fourteen-day isolation period at a designated facility, or that they are exempt from this requirement.
 7. All exempted critical labour must produce a letter from the Office of the Chief Public Health Officer certifying that the passenger is within the classes of exempted critical labour listed in the Travel Restriction Order.
 8. The Chief Public Health Officer may notify the air carrier in writing that certain passengers or classes of passenger are exempted critical labour.
 9. The following are deemed to be exempted critical labour and do not need to produce any further proof:
 - a. Members of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police;
 - b. Members of the Canadian Armed Forces on active duty;
 - c. Members of the Correctional Service of Canada or the Nunavut Department of Justice Corrections Division on active duty;
 - d. Employees or agents of the Nunavut Department of Health escorting patients detained under orders pursuant to the *Mental Health Act* or the *Public Health Act*.

This order is effective at 11:59 pm Tuesday March 24, 2020 and remains in effect for the duration of the Public Health Emergency, unless otherwise rescinded.



Dr. Michael Patterson
Chief Public Health Officer