

CANADA
NUNAVUT

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

TRAVEL RESTRICTION ORDER #5

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, and renewed this declaration effective April 3, 2020, April 17, 2020, May 1, 2020, and May 15, 2020;
- B. Pursuant to section 41(1) of the *Public Health 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; and
- C. The Government of Canada has imposed restrictions on entry into Canada pursuant to section 58 of the *Quarantine Act*;

THEREFORE, the Chief Public Health Officer hereby orders the following:

- 1. The Travel Restriction Order effective May 26, 2020 is rescinded and replaced with this Order.
- 2. Pursuant to subsection 41(1)(e) of the Act, all travel within Nunavut that originated from across any inter-jurisdictional border is hereby prohibited with the following exceptions:
 - a. Nunavut residents returning to Nunavut bearing a letter of authorization from the Chief Public Health Officer in accordance with paragraph 3;
 - b. Nunavut residents returning to Nunavut from medical travel and any Nunavut residents serving as medical travel escorts, from any location other than Yellowknife, Northwest Territories, subject to the direction and authorization of the Chief Public Health Officer in accordance with paragraph 3;
 - c. Nunavut residents who travelled to Yellowknife, Northwest Territories as a medical travel client or escort, provided that these persons did not

leave the boundaries of the City of Yellowknife while absent from Nunavut and provided that they return directly to Nunavut.

- d. Non-residents entering Nunavut for the purposes of commencing a contract of employment bearing a letter of authorization from the Chief Public Health Officer in accordance with paragraph 3;
- e. Non-residents entering Nunavut for the purposes of family reunification bearing a letter of authorization from the Chief Public Health Officer in accordance with paragraph 3;
- f. Persons providing services in the course of importation/exportation of goods and other supply chain workers, including those persons who are necessary to maintain supply chain transportation services;
- g. Flight crews working on any flights arriving in Nunavut, including medical evacuation flights;
- h. Marine vessel crews working on vessels engaged in the annual marine resupply (sealift), subject to any specific directions and orders of the Chief Public Health Officer;
- i. Persons engaged in providing critical services;
- j. Persons engaged in providing support services to critical services workers;
- k. Nunavut Inuit exercising their rights as set out in Article 5 of the *Nunavut Agreement* and who exercise the right to harvest outside of Nunavut may travel back to their place of residence in Nunavut if they have not travelled to a community or populated area outside of Nunavut. If the person has traveled to a community or populated area outside of Nunavut, they shall not travel within Nunavut unless they do so in accordance with paragraph 2(i) of this order;
- l. A person from outside of Nunavut, who has an Aboriginal or treaty right to harvest in an area of Nunavut while exercising that right within Nunavut. Those persons may continue to exercise those rights but shall not travel to a community or populated area of Nunavut;

- m. Transient workers in operating mines who enter Nunavut on private flights operating directly to and from the mine site; transient workers must remain at the mine site and shall not enter any community or populated area of Nunavut;
- n. Persons engaged in the construction of critical infrastructure projects, subject to specific directions and orders of the Chief Public Health Officer;
- o. Persons being transported to a correctional facility in Nunavut, along with those persons engaged in the transportation or escort to a correctional facility Nunavut;
- p. Persons being transported to or from a hospital or health facility outside Nunavut pursuant to an order under the *Mental Health Act* or the *Public Health Act*, including patients and those persons who are required to travel with those patients;
- q. Members of the Canadian Armed Forces and civilian employees posted to the Canadian Forces Stations in Alert and Eureka who enter Nunavut on military flights operating directly to and from the stations; these individuals must remain at their assigned station and shall not enter any community or populated area of Nunavut;
- r. Any foreign national, including a Temporary Foreign Worker entitled to enter Canada pursuant to the Federal Orders-in-Council 2020-0184 or 2020-0263, with an urgent and substantial need to enter Nunavut bearing a letter of authorization from the Chief Public Health Officer;
- s. Any Person, including flight and vessel crewmembers who enter Canada at a fixed or temporary Port of Entry in Nunavut who is permitted to enter Canada pursuant to Federal Orders-in-Council 2020-0184 or 2020-0263; and
- t. Any other Person with an urgent and substantial need to enter Nunavut bearing a letter of authorization from the Chief Public Health Officer;

3. Pursuant to subsection 41(1)(g) of the Act and in order to decrease or eliminate the risk to the public health in relation to novel coronavirus COVID-19, persons within Nunavut are subject to the following restrictions, as specifically set out below:
 - a. Prior to returning to Nunavut, all persons listed in paragraphs 2 (a), (d), (e), (n), (r), (s), and (t) must complete a minimum fourteen-day isolation period, either voluntarily or subject to an order by an official having jurisdiction, at a place designated by the Chief Public Health Officer in Ottawa Ontario, Winnipeg Manitoba, Edmonton Alberta, or Yellowknife Northwest Territories. Upon completion of the isolation period, the Chief Public Health Officer will issue these persons with a clearance letter authorizing them to return to Nunavut.
 - b. Prior to returning to Nunavut, all persons listed in paragraph 2 (b) must complete a minimum fourteen-day isolation period at a place designated by the Chief Public Health Officer, either prior to returning to Nunavut or immediately upon their return, subject to the direction of the Chief Public Health Officer.
 - c. All persons listed in paragraphs 2 (c), (f), (g), (h), (i), (j), (k), (l), (m), and (q) are exempt from the fourteen-day isolation period.
 - d. The Member of Parliament and Senator representing Nunavut are exempt from the fourteen-day isolation period.
 - e. All persons seeking to travel to Nunavut, including Nunavut residents, must advise the Office of the Chief Public Health Officer if they have been outside of Canada at any time during the fourteen (14) days prior to their anticipated return to Nunavut, and demonstrate proof of compliance with any applicable quarantine and isolation orders issued under the Quarantine Act.
 - f. The Chief Public Health Officer may issue certificates of authorization to individuals who can demonstrate that they have completed a fourteen-day isolation period. These residents do not have to complete the isolation period set out in paragraph 3 (a).

- g. The isolation periods in paragraphs 3 (a) and (b) may be extended to accommodate air carrier schedules and flight cancellations. This extension period shall not exceed six (6) days.
- h. Persons listed in paragraphs 2 (o) and (p) must return to Nunavut on charter flights arranged by the Government of Nunavut or the Government of Canada. These persons may be subject to isolation in a secure location upon their return to Nunavut.
- i. All persons who are exempt from the isolation period set out in paragraph 3 (a) shall abide by social distancing guidelines established by the Chief Public Health Officer. These persons shall also self-monitor and contact a Medical Health Officer if they exhibit any symptoms of novel coronavirus COVID-19.
- j. All persons who are exempt from the isolation period set out in paragraph 3 (a) must self-monitor and contact a Medical Health Officer immediately to undergo a risk assessment.
- k. Prior to entering Nunavut, all persons who travelled outside of Canada at any time in the fourteen days prior to entering Nunavut must produce proof of compliance with any applicable quarantine and isolation orders issued under the *Quarantine Act*.
- l. Upon entering Nunavut, persons listed in paragraph 2 (s) must report to the Office of the Chief Public Health Officer within one (1) hour of arrival and shall not leave the airport or Port of Entry until directed by the Chief Public Health Officer.
- m. Persons entering Nunavut from outside Canada must enter at the Iqaluit International Airport or to fixed or designated Ports of Entry.
- n. Persons travelling on flights to Nunavut which must divert due to weather or mechanical reasons may continue travelling to Nunavut provided that the diversion lasts no longer than ninety (90) minutes and the persons remain onboard the aircraft or within the air terminal building at the diversion airport. If the diversion exceeds ninety (90) minutes, the flight must return to its departure point.

4. Persons exempted in paragraphs 3 (c) and (d) shall comply with all recommendations and directions provided by Medical Health Officers.
5. Nothing in this Order shall affect parents and their children from exercising their custody and access rights, except:
 - a. As ordered by a court of competent jurisdiction; or
 - b. Where parent or the child is subject to a mandatory isolation order issued by an official having jurisdiction.
6. Pursuant to subsection 41(1)(f) of the *Public Health Act*, members of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, municipal by-law enforcement officers, sheriffs appointed pursuant to the *Judicature Act*, the Chief Environmental Protection Officer and Inspectors appointed pursuant to the *Environmental Protection Act*, and Conservation Officers appointed pursuant to the *Wildlife Act* are authorized to implement this order, including entering any premises other than a dwelling without a warrant.
7. Pursuant to subsection 41(4) of the *Public Health Act*, the peace officers listed in paragraph 12 may not enter a dwelling without a warrant unless the occupant or person in charge of the dwelling consents.
8. Failure to comply with this Order may be considered a breach of this Order issued under the *Public Health Act* and may result in penalties under the Act, which may include:
 - a. A \$575 fine for individuals; and
 - b. A \$2875 fine for corporations.
9. Providing false or misleading statements to the Chief Public Health Officer for the purposes of entering Nunavut or circumventing mandatory isolation constitutes a breach of this Order.

This order is effective at 12:01 am Eastern Time Monday, June 8 2020 and remains in effect for the duration of the Public Health Emergency, unless otherwise rescinded.

Dr. Michael Patterson
Chief Public Health Officer