



Sioux Lookout
First Nations
Health Authority

**CORONAVIRUS
COVID-19**

PUBLIC HEALTH GUIDANCE

OUTDOOR PUBLIC SPACES

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Outdoor public spaces need oversight and management now. The following guidance is for individuals or teams who manage outdoor public spaces in your community. Keep current with recommendations from local health authorities and Chief and Council as things are changing rapidly.

RESPONSIBILITIES ACCORDING TO CURRENT GUIDELINES

- Measure square footage at the outdoor public space to determine how many people can use the space while maintaining physical distance of 2 metres/6 feet on all sides.
- Define and implement the process for enforcing crowd limits.
- If appropriate, clearly identify an entrance and exit to the outdoor spaces.
- Post signs to remind people to maintain safe physical distance.
- Use ground markings and barriers to manage traffic flow.
- Consider making paths one way; or instruct people to keep to the right.
- Grids or circles could be added on the ground to indicate safe physical distancing.
- Communicate that physical distancing is expected in parking lots at the Northern Store, convenience stores, Band Office, Community Health Centre, and other public parking lots.
- Prohibit organized activities between members of more than one household (or social circle as permitted by Chief and Council) at a time in Outdoor Public Spaces.
- Any community member, whether child, youth, or adult, should not visit any outdoor public space if they have any symptoms of COVID-19 (fever, cough, difficulty breathing, muscle aches, fatigue, headache, sore throat, runny nose), or if they have been in contact with someone showing symptoms.
- Use your social media resources, local radio broadcast, or community bulletin boards to communicate accurately what the current recommendations and restrictions are.



POST IN HIGHLY VISIBLE PLACES FOR COMMUNITY MEMBERS

- Signs on the roadways and pathways leading to entrance of public spaces.
- Reminders to self-screen for wellness or symptoms before entering.
- "Cover Your Cough" reminder posters in visible locations at the outdoor public space.
- Physical distance reminders to always keep 2 metres/6 feet from others.
- If physical distancing is difficult to maintain in the outdoor space, encourage visitors to wear a cloth mask. They must be prepared to use and wear them properly.
- Reminders to avoid close contact with people outside their household or social circle. Do not share games, toys, or sporting equipment with people outside of your household or social circle.
- A request that everyone take their garbage with them after using the space: used hand wipes, masks, and other garbage.

