

# Coronavirus disease (COVID-19)

Mandatory requirements for FULLY VACCINATED travellers and for accompanying unvaccinated children less than 12 years old arriving in Canada.



**WARNING: READ THIS HANDOUT CAREFULLY. IT CONTAINS INSTRUCTIONS FROM A QUARANTINE OFFICER, SCREENING OFFICER AND THE MINISTER OF HEALTH THAT YOU ARE REQUIRED TO MEET UNDER THE MINIMIZING THE RISK OF EXPOSURE TO COVID-19 IN CANADA ORDER (QUARANTINE, ISOLATION, AND OTHER OBLIGATIONS). THEY ARE LEGALLY BINDING UNDER THE ORDER.**

Your compliance with this Order is subject to monitoring, verification and enforcement. If you do not comply you may be transferred to a quarantine facility, face fines, and/or imprisonment.

KEEP THIS HANDOUT FOR REFERENCE FOR THE NEXT 14 DAYS.

## Government of Canada border measures

The Government of Canada has put in place emergency measures under the Quarantine Act to slow the introduction and spread of COVID-19 and its variants in Canada.

Fully vaccinated travellers without signs and symptoms of COVID-19 **are required** to quarantine upon entering Canada if they are selected for on arrival testing, until receipt of a negative COVID-19 test result or 14 days, whichever comes first.

## Testing and Quarantine for fully-vaccinated travellers IF SELECTED, YOU MUST:

### TESTING

Take a COVID-19 molecular test as directed on the day you arrive in Canada.

- › You may be tested on site or receive a self-swab kit. You must follow the directions you receive upon arrival to complete your arrival test. If you receive a self-swab kit, you must complete and submit your specimen collection for processing within 24 hours of entering Canada.

### QUARANTINE

- › **Go directly** to your suitable place or designated quarantine facility as instructed and quarantine until you receive a negative test result. Your quarantine will end only if you don't have symptoms **AND** you receive a negative test result from your arrival test. If you do not receive a test result, your quarantine will end in 14 days.
- › **If you receive a positive test result**, isolate yourself for an additional 10 days and follow the instructions provided. Your isolation period begins the date you completed the COVID test, if the date is validated by the test provider OR the date of the test result.

## Requirements for an unvaccinated child less than 12 years of age who is accompanied by a fully vaccinated parent, step-parent, guardian or tutor for the first 14 days after entering Canada.

For 14 days after arrival in Canada the Child **MUST NOT**:

- ✗ Attend school, camp or day care.
- ✗ Attend a setting where they may have contact with vulnerable people (e.g. long term care facility), including people who are immunocompromised, regardless of that person's vaccination status or public health measures.
- ✗ Travel on crowded public transportation that does not ensure physical distancing and masking.
- ✗ Attend large crowded settings, indoors or outdoors, such as an amusement park or sporting event.

Further information on what your child can and cannot do can be found at <https://travel.gc.ca/travel-covid/travel-restrictions/isolation>.

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### Take COVID-19 tests

The child must take COVID-19 molecular tests as instructed (see separate handout for information), unless you have evidence that the child had a positive COVID-19 test taken 10 to 180 days prior to arrival in Canada or the child is under 5 years of age.

### Limit contact with others

- › Stay in a place that allows the child to avoid all contact with any person that:
  - has an underlying medical condition that makes the person susceptible to complications related to COVID-19;
  - has a compromised immune system from a medical condition or treatment; or
  - is 65 years of age or older.
- › The child must wear a mask and physical distance when in contact with non-household members.

## Requirements for fully vaccinated travellers and accompanying unvaccinated children less than 12 years of age

For 14 days following entry into Canada, you and any unvaccinated children under the age of 12 who travelled with you must:

- › **Maintain a list of the names and contact information** of each person with whom you came into close contact and a list of locations visited.
- › **Wear a well-constructed, well-fitting mask in public settings.**
- › **Keep a copy of the following** and provide them on request to the Government of Canada or government of the province or territory where you are located, or to the local public health authority:
  - All COVID-19 pre-arrival test results;
  - All on-arrival COVID-19 test results, including results from random testing and results for children under 12; and
  - Proof of vaccination.
- › **Monitor for symptoms of COVID-19.** If you start experiencing symptoms, or test positive for COVID-19, you must immediately:
  - Report within 24 hours to PHAC by calling 1-833-641-0343. A Public Health Agency of Canada official will provide you with additional details and instructions.
  - Isolate yourself for an additional 10 days, **even if your province or territory has a shorter isolation period**; and
  - Contact the appropriate public health authority.
- › If you receive an indeterminate or invalid test result, you are required to take another test. Please contact your testing provider within 24 hours of receiving your test result to make arrangements to complete another self-swab kit.
- › If you travelled with a person who develops signs and symptoms of COVID-19 or receives a positive result for any type of test before the expiry of the 14-day period, you and the child must quarantine for 14 days starting the day you or your child were most recently exposed to the other person.

Common signs and symptoms of COVID-19 can be found at: <https://www.canada.ca/en/public-health/services/diseases/2019-novel-coronavirus-infection/symptoms.html>

## Public health authorities

Provinces and territories	Telephone number
British Columbia, Alberta, Saskatchewan, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island, Newfoundland and Labrador, Northwest Territories and Yukon	811
Manitoba	1-866-626-4862
Ontario	1-866-797-0000
Quebec	1-877-644-4545
Nunavut	1-867-975-5772

Links to provincial/territorial COVID-19 information and resources can be found at <https://www.canada.ca/en/public-health/services/diseases/2019-novel-coronavirus-infection/symptoms/provincial-territorial-resources-covid-19.html>.