



September 15, 2020

Attention: Trent University Students

Peterborough Public Health and Peterborough Police Service are both enforcement authorities for the Emergency Orders and regulations pertaining to public health measures for the prevention of COVID-19 in our community. This includes the enforcement of public gathering limits and physical distancing.

Based on recent reports of large-scale gatherings and parties hosted and attended by Trent University students, you are being advised that a zero-tolerance approach will be taken for failing to comply with public health measures. Peterborough is currently in Stage 3 of reopening. According to [O. Reg. 362/20: Rules for Areas in Stage 3](#), there are maximum capacity limits for organized public events and social gatherings:

- 50 people if the event and/or gathering is held indoors; and
- 100 people if the event and/or gathering is held outdoors.

Note that the capacity for an indoor event or gathering cannot be combined with the capacity for an outdoor event or gathering. These restrictions apply, regardless of the location of the event or gathering, even if it is held at a private dwelling. **Furthermore, the regulation requires all persons attending an organized public event or social gathering to comply with physical distance requirements, which means keeping a minimum of two (2) metres between yourself and any other person not within your household or social circle (up to a maximum of ten people per social circle).** If the location cannot allow the maximum capacity and physical distancing, you must reduce the number of attendees.

If you choose not to comply with these requirements, you are putting yourself at risk for acquiring COVID-19 and jeopardizing the safety for the community as a whole. **Failure to comply with the requirements will result in an offence under the Reopening Ontario (A Flexible Response to COVID-19) Act, 2020, with a fine of \$750.00.**

Peterborough Public Health and Peterborough Police Service are prioritizing the safety of our community and non-compliance with public health measures will not be tolerated.

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