

## Update on COVID-19

Chief Pegg, Fire Chief & General Manager of Emergency Management

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Members' Lounge, Toronto City Hall, 100 Queen St. W

Good afternoon.

Today is the 85th day of continuous EOC operations. Our EOC continues to operate, ensuring that both critical and essential services are being provided without interruption.

I am proud of every member of our team, who continues to work hard in support of our residents each day.

This afternoon, I will provide our weekly personal protective equipment update.

At present, our PPE levels remain stable, and our team continues to work hard to source the equipment that we need on a go-forward basis.

Our current PPE inventory levels are as follows:

- A 30 day supply of N-95 respirators;
- A 159 day supply of surgical masks;
- A 174 day supply of isolation gowns; and
- An 80 day supply of face shields

Our pandemic reserve stockpile, which is in addition to the current inventory I outlined previously, is as follows:

- A 601 day supply of N-95 respirators; and
- A 674 day supply of surgical masks

As you know, managing PPE has been a constant challenge throughout the COVID-19 pandemic.

We have encountered, and dealt with, numerous quality control and supply chain issues with items of PPE that we rely on.

While medical glove supplies have been stable throughout our response to COVID-19, we are now experiencing issues with the availability of these items as well. Most recently, we were forced to reject a delivery of medical gloves, after discovering that the shipment did not meet our requirements for bloodborne pathogen protection.

As such, based on our current consumption rates, we have a 46 day supply of medical gloves remaining in inventory.

We are working with our supplier and we are expecting a delivery of replacement medical gloves shortly.

As we continue to transition from COVID-19 response to city restart, we are continuing to evolve and scale our processes and deployment models within the OEM.

We have developed comprehensive processes, that will ensure that Toronto remains well-positioned to respond in a timely and coordinated manner, once the Province authorizes additional city services to restart.

I am working directly with Saad Rafi, our Chief Recovery and Rebuild Officer and his team, to ensure that all aspects of our respective operations remain aligned and coordinated.

These processes ensure that our Strategic Command Team is able to approve the restart of city services in a timely and efficient manner.

We will also ensure that the numerous assessments and plans that are required for each service to restart safely and effectively, are in place, before we approve service restarts.

In closing, I want to thank everyone who continues to do their part to help us stop the spread of COVID-19.

As always, I remind everyone that [Toronto.ca/COVID-19](https://toronto.ca/COVID-19) is the best source for reliable and timely information on COVID-19 in Toronto, and for more information on ActiveTO initiatives, we encourage you to visit [Toronto.ca/ActiveTO](https://toronto.ca/ActiveTO).