

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 211th day of continuous Emergency Operations Centre operations.

Our EOC continues to operate, and our critical and essential services are being provided without interruption.

Our teams remain hard at work, both implementing and continuing to refine our COVID-19 resurgence plans, in response to the rapidly-evolving situation in Toronto.

From the outset of COVID-19, we have been prepared to respond as required, in order to save lives and to prevent our healthcare systems from becoming overwhelmed.

We have developed comprehensive resurgence plans that, like our COVID-19 Incident Management System, are both scalable and nimble.

The implementation of these plans, and the continuing evolution of planning operations, remain top priorities for our EOC and for each of our City of Toronto teams.

Our COVID-19 Strategic Command Team are updated on resurgence planning operations daily, and decisions are made in response to emerging public health advice, direction and guidance.

As the resurgence of COVID-19 continues to evolve, so will the actions we take in response.

As you know, PPE has been a challenge throughout the COVID-19 pandemic and continues to be another top priority for our EOC and PPE Task Force.

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

Based on current consumption rates, our PPE inventory levels are as follows:

- A 72 day supply of N-95 respirators;
- A 588 day supply of surgical masks;
- A 307 day supply of isolation gowns;
- A 760 day supply of face shields; and
- Between a 106 and 1,220 day supply of disposable gloves, depending on the specific model – as you can appreciate, we require a number of styles and sizes of gloves to meet the variety of needs on our frontlines.

Over the last two days, our enforcement teams have issued 7 notices and 2 tickets relating to business operations and 2 tickets relating to activities in parks.

10 notices and 1 ticket have also been issued relating to private gatherings.

In total, our COVID-19 Enforcement Team has issued 1,517 tickets to date.

Maintaining compliance with these important public health measures is critical to controlling the spread of COVID-19 in our City.

Complaints with respect to gatherings or other COVID-19 related orders should be submitted to the City via 3-1-1.

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 is the best source for reliable and timely information on COVID-19 in Toronto.