

# VILLAGE OF POINT EDWARD COVID-19 UPDATE: Mayor's Message, June 19, 2020



The Village of Point Edward's response to the COVID-19 pandemic continues to evolve based on orders issued by the provincial and federal government and the latest information from Lambton Public Health. Please monitor the [Village's website](#) and Facebook Page for updated information as things are changing quickly. Your safety and security remains our top priority.

## Lambton County Enters Stage 2 of the Province's Framework for Reopening

At 12:01 a.m. on Friday, June 19, Lambton County progressed to Stage 2 of the province's reopening plan. In Stage 2, additional restrictions are loosened while emphasizing public health advice, workplace health and safety guidance, and personal and collective responsibilities. More businesses and services, as well as community, recreational and outdoor spaces, have been permitted to open. A list of the additional businesses, services, outdoor amenities, and recreational activities that are permitted to reopen in Stage 2 is available on the [province's website](#).

### Lambton Public Health reminds the community to continue practicing individual public health safety measures:

- Stay home when you are sick.
- Use good hand hygiene.
- Cover your cough or sneeze.
- Practice physical distancing—at least 2 metres (6 feet).
- Consider wearing a face covering or a mask when physical distancing is a challenge.
- Follow all safety measures in place at the businesses you visit.

## Ontario Extends Emergency Orders

The Ontario government has extended all emergency orders currently in force under s.7.0.2 (4) of the Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act until **June 30, 2020** to ensure the government continues to have the necessary tools to safely and gradually reopen the province, while continuing to support frontline health care workers and protect vulnerable populations from COVID-19. A complete list of the current emergency orders can be found on the [province's website](#).

## Resources for Workplaces & Businesses

Tourism Sarnia-Lambton has developed a **Restart Sarnia-Lambton** Toolkit & Resource Guide to assist local workplaces and businesses through the stages of reopening. Visit <https://www.ontbluecoast.com/restartsarnialambton/> to access the tool kit. The Ontario government has also released a [new guide](#) that employers can use to develop a workplace safety plan to better protect workers, customers and clients. Additional workplace resources are available at [Ontario.ca/covidsafety](https://Ontario.ca/covidsafety).

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## Household Hazardous Waste Collection Events

The County of Lambton and its partner Clean Harbors Canada Inc. are resuming the Household Hazardous Waste Collection Program on Saturday, June 20, and Saturday, June 27, 2020. The events will be held from 9:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. at the Clean Harbors Lambton Facility: 4090 Telfer Road, St. Clair Township.

The events scheduled for March, April, and May of this year were cancelled due to concerns surrounding the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic. Given these cancellations, the County of Lambton and Clean Harbors expect these next two events will be very well attended. In an effort to reduce wait times, residents are asked to select their event date based on their residential address as outlined below, if possible:

- Saturday, **June 20** - all residents with an **odd numbered** residential address
- Saturday, **June 27** - all residents with an **even numbered** residential address

Event attendees are asked to follow these physical distancing and safety measures:

- Package materials in disposable containers (i.e. cardboard boxes) as the containers will not be returned;
- Place materials in the trunk or back of your vehicle to maximize distancing for event staff when collecting items; and
- Remain in your vehicle at all times; event staff will remove the materials from your vehicle.

Please see the [County's website](#) for additional information and collection dates for the remainder of 2020.

## Update to Leaf/Grass Collection and Brush Collection Requirements

While paper bags are still preferred at this time, open containers marked with an 'X' will once again be accepted for leaves and grass beginning on Monday, June 22. You may also use an open container for brush collection, which occurs next on Monday, June 29.

## Paint the Town Red & White in Celebration of Canada Day



The Sarnia Canada Day Committee is encouraging the community to proudly display their Canada-themed decor, painting the town red & white for Canada Day. We would love for Point Edward residents to do the same, showcasing our community and Canadian pride and getting into the spirit of celebration!

## COVID-19 Assessments Broadly Available for Sarnia-Lambton Residents

COVID-19 testing is now available to all Sarnia-Lambton residents who would like to be tested, regardless of symptoms. Please note that the test can only tell if you have COVID-19 at the time of the test and will not tell you if you had COVID-19 in the past.

A [list of assessment centres](#), including contact information and hours of operation, can be found on Lambton Public Health's website. Do not delay testing if you have symptoms.

Our diligent adherence to public health measures has helped to slow the spread of COVID-19 and positively shape the trends of key indicators in our community, readying us to progress to Stage 2. Let's continue the physical distancing and healthy practices to support the safety and success of this new stage of our reopening.

