



Media Release

Town Outdoor Recreational Amenity changes during extended Emergency Order

April 21, 2021 – With the current provincial emergency and stay-at-home orders extended through May 5, 2021, following are impacts on Town outdoor recreational amenities:

Outdoor Amenities Closed Until Further Notice:

- All outdoor sports facilities and multi-use fields, including:
 - Baseball diamonds;
 - Soccer fields;
 - Frisbee golf locations;
 - Tennis and pickleball courts;
 - Basketball courts; and
 - Skate parks.
- All picnic sites and picnic tables in park and recreation areas.
- Park bathroom facilities will remain closed.

Outdoor Amenities Open During Provincial Order:

- Off-leash dog park;
- Park benches; and
- Playgrounds
 - Please note park benches and playground equipment are not sanitized.

Harbour Services: (Regulations continue to be reviewed and any changes will be made accordingly)

- Recreational boating is not permitted.
- Boaters may launch their boats using the Pete Pettersen Boat Launch if they are only going to another property owned by them or securing at a marina or our harbour
- Boats belonging to seasonal boaters must remain secured at their harbour slips unless they are travelling to another property owned by them; and
- Transient boaters/boats will not be permitted to dock.

Essential Services – No Impacts

- Policing, Fire and Emergency Services, and Water/Wastewater service are not impacted by these orders.

Appointment-only Services - Municipal Office

- The Municipal Office will continue to offer limited services by appointment-only. For a full list of services available please visit [Midland.ca/COVID-19](https://www.midland.ca/COVID-19).
- Transit cards may be purchased or re-loaded at the North Simcoe Sports & Recreation Centre without an appointment.

Changes to Gatherings, Events and Retail

- Outdoor gatherings and events prohibited unless all parties are from the same household or one other person from outside that household lives alone or is a caregiver to a member of that household.
- All retail stores permitted to operate must limit the number of people in their store to 25 per cent capacity.

The Town of Midland will continue to monitor the COVID-19 situation and provide updates on our website at [Midland.ca/COVID-19](https://www.midland.ca/COVID-19), and we encourage residents to follow our social media channels for updates as well, [@MidlandON](https://twitter.com/MidlandON) on Twitter, and [@townofmidland](https://www.facebook.com/townofmidland) on Facebook.

For more information on the state of COVID-19 in our area, please contact the Simcoe Muskoka District Health Unit at 705-721-7520 or 1-877-721-7520 or visit their website at [simcoemuskokahealth.org](https://www.simcoemuskokahealth.org).



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