

Update – May 29, 2020

We are looking to share positive news about staff! If you've had some good news, please email rfee@midland.ca to include in a future update!

1) Ontario Extending Emergency Orders until June 9, 2020 During COVID-19 Outbreak

The Ontario government has extended all emergency orders in force under s.7.0.2 (4) of the Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act.

- Current emergency orders include the closure of outdoor playgrounds, play structures and equipment, public swimming pools and outdoor water facilities, as well as bars and restaurants except for takeout and delivery. Additionally, there continues to be restrictions on social gatherings of more than five people, and staff redeployment rules remain in place for long-term care homes and congregate settings like retirement homes and women's shelters.

To read the full media release, visit: [Emergency Orders Extended until June 9](#)

2) Recovery Framework – Health & Safety Commitment

The health and safety of our employees is paramount! The Town's commitment to the safety of our employees are in place. The Town's Recovery Framework is well underway to ensuring protocols are in place for the safety of our work family.

Our COVID-19 motto is: **You touch it, you clean it**

Topic	Links
How to safely don/doff PPE	PPE Don- Doff Safety Guidelines
Don't take it Home Poster	Don't take it home poster, pandemic planning
Physical Distancing Poster	Physical Distancing - May 2020
Proper Hygiene Poster	Proper Hand Washing Poster
Pre-Screen Poster	Pre-screening, Pandemic Planning poster
Pandemic SOP's & Guides	Health and Safety/Pandemic SOP's SOP's and Guides include (more to come): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Mask Protection Tips ▪ PPE Don-Doff Safety Guidelines ▪ Ergonomics, Working Remotely ▪ Working Remotely Tips ▪ SOP Inside Vehicle Cleaning, Pandemic Planning ▪ SOP Cleaning Surfaces, Pandemic Planning ▪ SOP Building Inspectors
Stay Tuned for more COVID-19 measures the Town will be putting in place!	

If the above links do not work, you can find them on the shared server in these locations:

Posters: S:\Town of Midland\P - Protection & Enforcement Services\P03 - Emergency Planning\COOP\Continuity Plan and Appendices

SOP's and Guides: S:\Town of Midland\A - Administration\A09 - Policies & Procedures\Standard Operating Procedures\Health and Safety\Pandemic SOP's

3) COVID-19 Assessment Centre – Testing

☰ 845 King St, Midland, ON L4R 0B7



Location: 845 King Street, Unit #3, L4R 0B7

By appointment only:

Call the assessment centre booking desk at 705-529-1025, 7 days a week from 8 am to 8 pm

Assessment centre is open:

Monday & Friday 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Wednesday & Saturday 8:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Town's Commitment to COVID-19 Testing

- If you feel any need to be tested, please use the above information to make an appointment. For the safety of all your co-workers, please take the first appointment available. The Town will support the time required for the testing.
- Please notify management immediately if you are not feeling well or if you may have been exposed.



4) Effective immediately, testing is available for the following:

Symptomatic testing:

1. **All people with at least one symptom** of COVID-19, even for mild symptoms. Please see the “Guidance for All Populations” section of the Testing Guidance Update for details about these symptoms.

Asymptomatic, risk-based testing:

2. **People who are concerned that they have been exposed to COVID-19.** This includes people who are contacts of or may have been exposed to a confirmed or suspected case.
3. **People who are at risk of exposure to COVID-19 through their employment,** including essential workers (e.g., health care workers, grocery store employees, food processing plants).

Lab Results: <https://covid-19.ontario.ca/>

Ontario Government Links: [Symptoms, How to Self-Isolate, face masks/coverings](#)

5) Non-essential and elective medial services to resume

- Ontario is allowing over two dozen health-care providers, including dentists and massage therapists, to return to work immediately once health and safety guidelines are in place.
- Dentists, optometrists, massage therapists, chiropractors, physiotherapists, psychologists, dieticians and denturists are some of the professions included on the list released Wednesday.
- "Its important to note that this does not mean that all health services will be available on May 27," Premier Doug Ford’s office told CTV News Toronto. “Rather, health regulatory colleges are now in the process of developing guidance to ensure high-quality and safe clinical care that must be met before services can resume."
- Each college will also provide advice on which services can or should be provided virtually.

To read the full directive from the Ministry of Health, visit: [Directive #2 for Health Care Providers](#)

If you think you may have COVID-19 symptoms or have been in close contact with someone who has it, first self-isolate and then use [Ontario's Self-Assessment Tool](#) to see if you need to seek further care.

Remember to pre-screen daily when entering any Town building.

Any changes within a department will now be provided to Randy to be included in an update and copied to Clerks@midland.ca for tracking.