

**Ministerial Order 2021-001 of the Minister of Health and Social Services  
dated 15 January 2021**

Public Health Act  
(chapter S-2.2)

Ordering of measures to protect the health  
of the population amid the COVID-19 pandemic  
situation

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THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES,

CONSIDERING section 118 of the Public Health Act (chapter S-2.2), which provides that the Government may declare a public health emergency in all or part of the territory of Québec where a serious threat to the health of the population, whether real or imminent, requires the immediate application of certain measures provided for in section 123 of the Act to protect the health of the population;

CONSIDERING Order in Council 177-2020 dated 13 March 2020 declaring a public health emergency throughout Québec for a period of 10 days;

CONSIDERING that the public health emergency was renewed until 29 March 2020 by Order in Council 222-2020 dated 20 March 2020, until 7 April 2020 by Order in Council 388-2020 dated 29 March 2020, until 16 April 2020 by Order in Council 418-2020 dated 7 April 2020, until 24 April 2020 by Order in

Council 460-2020 dated 15 April 2020, until 29 April 2020 by Order in Council 478-2020 dated 22 April 2020, until 6 May 2020 by Order in Council 483-2020 dated 29 April 2020, until 13 May 2020 by Order in Council 501-2020 dated 6 May 2020, until 20 May 2020 by Order in Council 509-2020 dated 13 May 2020, until 27 May 2020 by Order in Council 531-2020 dated 20 May 2020, until 3 June 2020 by Order in Council 544-2020 dated 27 May 2020, until 10 June 2020 by Order in Council 572-2020 dated 3 June 2020, until 17 June 2020 by Order in Council 593-2020 dated 10 June 2020, until 23 June 2020 by Order in Council 630-2020 dated 17 June 2020, until 30 June 2020 by Order in Council 667-2020 dated 23 June 2020, until 8 July 2020 by Order in Council 690-2020 dated 30 June 2020, until 15 July 2020 by Order in Council 717-2020 dated 8 July 2020, until 22 July 2020 by Order in Council 807-2020 dated 15 July 2020, until 29 July 2020 by Order in Council 811-2020 dated 22 July 2020, until 5 August 2020 by Order in Council 814-2020 dated 29 July 2020, until 12 August 2020 by Order in Council 815-2020 dated 5 August 2020, until 19 August 2020 by Order in Council 818-2020 dated 12 August 2020, until 26 August 2020 by Order in Council 845-2020 dated 19 August 2020, until 2 September 2020 by Order in Council 895-2020 dated 26 August 2020, until 9 September 2020 by Order in Council 917-2020 dated 2 September 2020, until 16 September 2020 by Order in Council 925-2020 dated 9 September 2020, until 23 September 2020 by Order in Council 948-2020 dated 16 September 2020, until 30 September 2020 by Order in Council 965-2020 dated 23 September 2020, until 7 October 2020 by Order in Council 1000-2020 dated 30 September 2020, until 14 October 2020 by Order in Council 1023-2020 dated 7 October 2020, until 21 October 2020 by Order in Council 1051-2020 dated 14 October 2020, until 28 October 2020 by Order in Council 1094 dated 21 October 2020, until 4 November 2020 by Order in Council 1113-2020 dated 28 October 2020, until 11 November 2020 by Order in Council 1150-2020 dated 4 November 2020, until 18 November 2020 by Order in Council 1168-2020 dated 11 November 2020, until 25 November 2020 by Order in Council 1210-2020 dated 18 November 2020, until 2 December 2020 by Order in Council 1242-2020 dated 25 November 2020, until 9 December 2020 by Order in Council 1272-2020 dated 2 December 2020, until 18 December 2020 by Order in Council 1308-2020 dated 9 December 2020, until 25 December 2020 by Order in Council 1351-2020 dated 16 December 2020, until 1 January 2021 by Order in Council 1418-2020 dated 23 December 2020, until 8 January 2021 by Order in Council 1420-2120 dated 30 December 2020, until 15 January 2021 by Order in Council 1-2021 dated 6 January 2021 and until 20 January 2021 by Order in Council 3-2021 dated 13 January 2021;

CONSIDERING that Order in Council 1020-2020 dated 30 September 2020, amended by Ministerial Orders 2020-074 dated 2 October 2020, 2020-077 dated 8 October 2020, 2020-079 dated 15 October 2020, 2020-080 dated 21 October 2020, 2020-081 dated 22 October 2020, 2020-084 dated 27 October 2020, 2020-085 dated 28 October 2020, 2020-086 dated 1 November 2020, 2020-087 dated 4 November 2020, 2020-090 dated 11 November 2020, 2020-091 dated 13 November 2020, 2020-093 dated 17 November 2020, 2020-104 dated 15 December 2020, 2020-105 dated 17 December 2020 and 2020-106 dated 20 December 2020, and by Orders in Council 1039-2020 dated 7 October 2020 and 2-2021 dated 8 January 2021, provides for, among other things, despite any provision to the contrary of an Order in Council or a Ministerial Order made under section 123 of the Public Health Act, certain special measures applicable in certain territories;

CONSIDERING that Order in Council 1346-2020 dated 9 December 2020, amended by Ministerial Order 2020-105 dated 17 December 2020 and by Order in Council 2-2021 dated 8 January 2021, provides among other things that distance teaching services be provided to students at the secondary level in general education for youth to further the achievement of the objectives of the study programs and, for that purpose, distance teaching services be used and distance educational services to adult general education and vocational training students be provided;

CONSIDERING that Ministerial Order 2020-107 dated 23 December 2020, amended by Order in Council 2-2021 dated 8 January 2021, provides among other things that residents in a private seniors' residence visiting a resident in another private residence or its equivalent must self-isolate in their living unit for 7 days following the return to their residence;

CONSIDERING that Order in Council 3-2021 dated 13 January 2021 also empowers the Minister of Health and Social services to order any modification or clarification to the measures provided for in that Order in Council;

CONSIDERING that it is expedient to order certain measures to protect the health of the population;

ORDERS AS FOLLOWS:

THAT the operative part of Order in Council 1020-2020 dated 30 September 2020, amended by Ministerial Orders 2020-074 dated 2 October 2020, 2020-077 dated 8 October 2020, 2020-079 dated 15 October 2020, 2020-080 dated 21 October 2020, 2020-081 dated 22 October 2020, 2020-084 dated 27 October 2020, 2020-085 dated 28 October 2020, 2020-086 dated 1 November 2020, 2020-087 dated 4 November 2020, 2020-090 dated 11 November 2020, 2020-091 dated 13 November 2020, 2020-093 dated 17 November 2020, 2020-104 dated 15 December 2020, 2020-105 dated 17 December 2020 and 2020-106 dated 20 December 2020, and by Orders in Council 1039-2020 dated 7 October 2020 and 2-2021 dated 8 January 2021, be further amended

(1) by striking out "and on leaving" in subparagraph ii of subparagraph c of subparagraph 1 of the fifth paragraph;

(2) by striking out "and on leaving" in subparagraph II of subparagraph iii of subparagraph a of subparagraph 3 of the ninth paragraph;

(3) in the tenth paragraph,

(a) by inserting the following in subparagraph 5 after subparagraph g:

"(h) libraries other than those in educational institutions, except lending desks and individual work rooms and spaces;"

(b) by replacing subparagraph h of subparagraph 29 by the following:

"(h) to take a bus providing interregional or interprovincial service, a train, a plane or a boat operating ferry service between Matane-Baie-Comeau-Godbout, Harrington Harbour-Chevery, Rivière Saint-Augustin or Île d'Entrée-Cap-aux-Meules or the Société des traversiers du Québec network maritime service to Îles-de-la-Madeleine or Île d'Anticosti and the Lower St-Lawrence, or at the end of the trip, to continue on to destination;"

(b) by striking out "and on leaving" in subparagraph ii of subparagraph e of subparagraph 21;

THAT the sixth paragraph of Ministerial Order 2020-107 dated 23 December 2020, amended by Order in Council 2-2021 dated 8 January 2021, be revoked;

THAT Order in Council 1346-2020 dated 9 December 2020, amended by Ministerial Order 2020-105 dated 17 December 2020 and by Order in Council 2-2021 dated 8 January 2021, be revoked;

THAT this Order in Council take effect on 15 January 2021,  
except for

(1) the measure set out in the second paragraph of the  
operative part which will take effect on 16 January 2021; and

(2) the measure set out in the third paragraph of the operative  
part which will take effect on 18 January 2021.

Québec, 15 January 2021

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