

**Ministerial Order 2021-059 of the Minister of Health and Social Services
dated 18 August 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 has consistently been renewed since that date by various Orders in Council, including by Order in Council 1127-2021 dated 18 August 2021;

CONSIDERING that Order in Council 885-2021 dated 23 June 2021, amended by Ministerial Orders 2021-049 dated 1 July 2021, 2021-050 dated 2 July 2021, 2021-053 dated 10 July 2021, 2021-055 dated 30 July 2021, 2021-057 dated 4 August 2021 and 2021-058 dated 13 August 2021, provides for, among other things, certain special measures to apply throughout Québec;

CONSIDERING that that Order in Council also empowers the Minister of Health and Social Services to order any modification or clarification of the measures provided for in the Order;

CONSIDERING that Order in Council 1127-2021 dated 18 August 2021 empowers the Minister of Health and Social Services to take any of the measures provided for in subparagraphs 1 to 8 of the first paragraph of section 123 of the Public Health Act;

CONSIDERING that the current situation of the COVID-19 pandemic allows for the easing of certain measures set in place to protect the health of the population, while maintaining certain of the measures necessary to continue that protection;

ORDERS AS FOLLOWS:

THAT the operative part of Order in Council 885-2021 dated 23 June 2021, amended by Ministerial Orders 2021-049 dated 1 July 2021, 2021-050 dated 2 July 2021, 2021-053 dated 10 July 2021, 2021-055 dated 30 July 2021, 2021-057 dated 4 August 2021 and 2021-058 dated 13 August 2021, be further amended

(1) by replacing subparagraph 8 of the seventh paragraph by the following:

"(8) is a student sitting in a classroom where educational and instructional adult general education and training services are provided;"

(2) by replacing subparagraph 28 of the fourteenth paragraph by the following:

"(28) for students in university institutions, colleges, private educational institutions providing college instructional services and other

institutions providing college-level or university instructional services or ongoing training services, a procedural mask must be worn at all times when the students are present in any building or room used by the institution, subject to the exceptions referred to in subparagraphs 4 to 7 and 10 of the seventh paragraph;"

THAT this Order take effect on 19 August 2021.

Québec, 18 August 2021

CHRISTIAN DUBÉ
Minister of Health and Social Services