

Orders in Council

Gouvernement du Québec

O.C. 1129-2022, 15 June 2022

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

WHEREAS under section 118 of the Public Health Act (chapter S-2.2) 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;

WHEREAS, by Order in Council 177-2020 dated 13 March 2020, the Government declared a public health emergency in all of the territory of Québec and took certain measures to protect the health of the population;

WHEREAS the public health emergency was subsequently renewed in accordance with section 119 of the Public Health Act;

WHEREAS, by Ministerial Order 2022-032 dated 11 May 2022 made by the Minister of Health and Social Services, amended by Ministerial Order 2022-035 dated 13 May 2022, the Minister of Health and Social Services set in place certain health measures, in particular the requirement to wear a face covering in shared transportation services, subject to certain exceptions;

WHEREAS under section 1 of the Act to terminate the public health emergency while maintaining transitional measures necessary to protect the health of the population (2022, chapter 15), the public health emergency declared on 13 March 2020 and renewed since was terminated on 1 June 2022;

WHEREAS under section 2 of that Act, the measures prescribed by various Ministerial Orders made by the Minister of Health and Social Services, in particular by Ministerial Order 2022-032 dated 11 May 2022, remain in force until 31 December 2022;

WHEREAS section 3 of that Act provides that the Government may amend or repeal a Ministerial Order referred to in section 2 to allow a gradual easing of the measures;

WHEREAS 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;

IT IS ORDERED, therefore, on the recommendation of the Minister of Health and Social Services:

THAT the fifth, sixth and seventh paragraphs and subparagraph 2 of the eighth paragraph of Ministerial Order 2022-032 dated 11 May 2022, amended by Ministerial Order 2022-035 dated 13 May 2022, be revoked;

THAT this Order in Council take effect on 18 June 2022.

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