



**PUBLIC HEALTH ORDER RESPECTING THE CITY OF SASKATOON**  
**October 29th, 2020**

**(Under Section 38 and Subsection 45(2) of *The Public Health Act, 1994*)**

**Control of Transmission of 2019 Novel Coronavirus**

**WHEREAS**, I, Dr. Saqib Shahab, an official with the Ministry of Health and the Chief Medical Health Officer for the Province of Saskatchewan, have been authorized by the Minister of Health to act under section 45 of *The Public Health Act, 1994*;

**AND WHEREAS**, the City of Saskatoon, is or is anticipated to see the number of cases of exposure or transmission of COVID-19, which has been designated as a category 1 communicable disease pursuant to clause 3(1) of *The Disease Control Regulations*, increase;

**AND WHEREAS**, the exposure to or transmission of COVID-19 is a serious public health threat;

**AND WHEREAS**, to reduce the probability for transmission of COVID-19, it is necessary to make an order to restrict specific activities to reduce exposure and transmission of COVID19;

**AND WHEREAS**, where this order conflicts with my order of October 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2020, or any replacement order, this order shall prevail to the extent of the conflict;

**AND WHEREAS**, by virtue of the foregoing and under section 38 and subsection 45(2) of *The Public Health Act, 1994*:

**1. I hereby ORDER and DIRECT effective 9:00am on October 30<sup>th</sup>, 2020:**

- a. For the purposes of this order:
  - a. “nightclub” means a liquor primary establishment at which the main activities are selling liquor and providing music to which patrons can dance.
  - b. “patron” means anyone being provided liquor services in nightclubs, but does not include staff.
  - c. “physical barrier” means an obstacle that is easily cleaned and effective in preventing the transmission of respiratory droplets between people without impeding ventilation.
- b. For certainty, this order is not intended to capture lounges, pubs, restaurants, or liquor manufacturing facilities that have tasting rooms.
- c. The consumption of alcohol in all nightclubs is prohibited from the hours of 10:00pm to 9:30am for all persons, including patrons, staff, and owners;
- d. Nightclubs must be closed to patrons at 11:00pm until at least 9:30am the following day. Takeout food services are permitted.

- e. Patrons shall not be present in a nightclub from 11:00pm until 9:30am the following day.
- f. All patrons visiting the establishment must be seated at a table, booth, bar, or counter area. Capacity and seating requirements shall adhere to the requirements in the Restaurants and Licensed Establishment Guidelines in the Re-Open Saskatchewan Plan found on the Government of Saskatchewan website (Saskatchewan.ca).
- g. Patrons who are not in the same party must be seated 2 meters apart from one another, unless they are separated by a physical barrier.
- h. There must be no more than 6 patrons seated at a table or booth, even if they belong to the same party.
- i. There must be a distance of 2 meters between the backs of the seats of patrons seated at adjacent tables or booths, even if members of the same party are seated at adjacent tables or booths, unless the adjacent tables or booths are separated by physical barriers.
- j. There must be 2 meters between patrons seated at a counter, unless the patrons are in the same party or they are separated by physical barriers.
- k. If a party of patrons is seated at a counter, there must be no more than 6 members of the party seated less than 2 meters apart from one another, unless they are separated by a physical barrier from other members of the party who are seated adjacent to them at the counter.
- l. Patrons are to remain seated except to use the washroom facilities or to leave the premises. Patrons must maintain a distance of 2 meters from other patrons if they are not seated, unless they are separated by physical barriers.
- m. Owners shall ensure that there are a sufficient number of staff at the premises to ensure that patrons remain seated.
- n. Music and other background sounds, such as televisions or other sound producing devices, must be kept at a volume that allows patrons and staff to speak at the volume of a normal conversation.
- o. No dancing, karaoke, open mic, or similar activities are permitted.
- p. Dance floors must be closed with physical barriers that prevent their use or occupied with tables.
- q. All other applicable requirements in the Re-Open Saskatchewan Plan shall be adhered to. Where the Re-Open Saskatchewan Plan conflicts with this order, the requirements in this order prevail.

**This order remains in effect until in the opinion of the Chief Medical Health Officer, there is no longer a public health threat.**

DATED at Regina, Saskatchewan, on the 29th day of October, 2020.



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Dr. Saqib Shahab FRCPC  
Government of Saskatchewan  
Chief Medical Health Officer