

Agenda: Reopening Ontario - Step 3, Agricultural Societies

July 21, 2021
7:00-8:00 pm

- Call to Order
 - Rick Berthiaume, Manager - Business Development Branch, OMAFRA
 - Purpose of meeting
 - Introductions
- Opening Remarks
 - Hon. Lisa Thompson, Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs
- Overview of Roadmap to Reopen Step 3 as it pertains to horticultural events
 - Tim Metzger, Manager – COVID Analytics and Policy Unit, OMAFRA
- Questions
- Final thoughts

Resources:

[Reopening Ontario](#)

[O. Reg. 364/20](#) -Rules for Areas in Step 3

[COVID-19 Public health measures and advice](#)

Reopening Roadmap Step 3: Fairs, Rural Exhibitions, Festivals

Note: This chart includes a summary of select measures. It is not intended to be an interpretation of the law. For the full measures, see the Regulation 364/20 and any additional requirements imposed in your area by public health. This chart does not replace regulations and local public health measures, those measure apply to the extent of any conflict with this chart. This chart was current as of the publication date.

Measure	Status
Safety Plan**	Required
Total Capacity^	Capacity limits must be posted Outdoor: maximum 75% capacity Indoor: maintain 2m distancing up to a maximum of 50% capacity
Capacity for attraction within the facility^	Outdoor: maximum 75% capacity for any particular attraction within the facility Indoor: maintain 2m distancing up to a maximum of 50% capacity for any particular attraction within the facility
Capacity for events including concerts, performances or movies^	Outdoor (seated): maximum 75% capacity up to 15,000 people (whichever is less) Outdoor (unseated): maximum 75% capacity up to 5,000 people (whichever is less) Indoor: maximum 50% capacity up to 1,000 people total (whichever is less); each room limited to 50% capacity
Reservations	Required for seated events, including concerts, performances or movies
Restrictions on rides (if applicable)	For <u>indoor</u> rides only: 2m physical distancing and face coverings (with limited exceptions)
Physical Distancing	Required when indoors (with limited exceptions)
Face Coverings	Indoor: Required, Outdoor: Advice only
Screening of Patrons	Passive Screening (with exceptions e.g. active screening required for seated dining)
Screening of Workers	Active Screening

** **Safety plan** must-describe how the regulation's requirements will be implemented including screening, physical distancing, face coverings, cleaning and disinfecting, personal protective equipment, preventing and controlling crowding, preventing gatherings and crowds, management of line-ups and mitigating the risk of interactive activities, exhibits or games that may be included in the business, place or event.

^ **Indoor capacity** based on 50% occupant load of the Ontario Fire Code Capacity. **Outdoor capacity** at 75% is calculated as total m² of area accessible to the public divided by 1.33 and rounding down to nearest whole number.

Reopening Roadmap: Post Step 3

- The province will remain in Step Three of the Roadmap:
 - For at least 21 days, **and**
 - Until at least 80% of the eligible population aged 12 and over has received one dose of a COVID-19 vaccine, **and**
 - 75% have received their second dose, with no public health unit having less than 70% of their eligible population aged 12 and over fully vaccinated.
 - Other key public health and health care indicators must also continue to remain stable.
- Upon meeting these thresholds, the vast majority of public health and workplace safety measures, including capacity limits for indoor and outdoor settings and limits for social gatherings, will be lifted.
 - Only a small number of measures will remain in place, including the requirement for passive screening, such as posting a sign, and businesses requiring a safety plan.
- Ontario's epidemiological situation is distinct from other jurisdictions and the Delta variant is the dominant strain in Ontario, which is not the case with some other provinces. As a result, on the advice of the Chief Medical Officer of Health, face coverings will also continue to be required for indoor public settings. The Chief Medical Officer of Health will continue to evaluate this need on an ongoing basis.