

ORDINANCE 2021-09

Date: October 15, 2021

Subject: Red alert level for Kangirsuk

With the COVID-19 situation in Kangirsuk, the Director of Public Health, in accordance with section 106 of the *Public Health Act*, has enacted travel restrictions to and from Kangirsuk as well as public measures to reduce the risk of spreading COVID-19 until further notice.

- 1) Scheduled flights to and from Kangirsuk are suspended until further notice.
- 2) Only the persons of the following categories are authorized to travel to Kangirsuk:
 - those residing in that community;
 - those required to travel to provide essential services in the sectors of education, public safety, justice, health, social services, day-care services and municipal services, as well as for construction and maintenance work deemed essential;
 - those required to travel for humanitarian reasons;
 - those whose work involves commercial transport of goods or persons in the region;
 - those required to travel to that community under a court order.
- 3) Only the persons of the following categories are authorized to travel from Kangirsuk to another community of Nunavik:
 - those required to travel to provide essential services in the sectors of education, public safety, justice, health, social services, day-care services and municipal services as well as for construction and maintenance work deemed essential;
 - those required to travel for humanitarian reasons;
 - those whose work involves commercial transport of goods or persons in the region;
 - those required to travel to another community under a court order;
 - those required to travel to obtain care or services due to their state of health.

The persons covered by Category 3 may travel if they meet the following conditions:

- they do not have any symptoms consistent with COVID-19 (unusual cough, breathing difficulties, fever, loss of the sense of smell or taste) and are not identified as COVID-19 cases or case contacts by the Department of Public Health. Otherwise, they are required to travel by special flight;
- before departure, with the exception of children aged under one year, they must show proof of

- a negative result for a COVID-19 test performed within a 72-hour period preceding travel;¹
- perform 10-day quarantine upon their arrival if they are not adequately protected² against COVID-19, including children under 12 years;
- undergo a COVID-19 test between the fourth and seventh day after their arrival in the destination community.
- 4) All persons **leaving Kangirsuk and travelling to the South of the Province** are authorized if they meet the following conditions:
 - they do not have any symptoms consistent with COVID-19 (unusual cough, breathing difficulties, fever, loss of sense of smell or taste) and are not identified as COVID-19 cases or case contacts by the Department of Public Health. Otherwise, they are required to travel by special flight;
 - before departure, with the exception of children aged under one year, they must show proof of a negative result for a COVID-19 test performed within a 72-hour period preceding travel;¹
 - persons travelling by charter flight with no contact with the population of other Nunavik communities are not required to be tested before departure.
- 5) The following public measures are in effect for the community of Kangirsuk:
 - daycares, churches, community centres, schools and any other public place deemed nonessential will be closed and all non-essential activities suspended;
 - essential services such as grocery stores, CLSC/Nursing Stations, municipal services (electricity, heating, water and telecommunications), including construction and maintenance work deemed essential, as well as police services, will continue to operate;
 - residents are instructed to cease all visits, including those between family members not living in the same house;
 - outings on the land among persons living in the same house are permitted.

In case of a change in the current health situation in Nunavik, the Director of Public Health may enact other directives.

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^{1.} A child for whom testing is too difficult will not be refused boarding, even in the absence of a test result.

^{2.} A protected person, for the purposes of managing travel under the present order, is one who has been immunized for at least 14 days with any combination of two doses of the vaccines MOD COVID-19 (Moderna), PB COVID-19 (Pfizer-BioNTech), AZ COVID-19 (AstraZeneca) or Covishield (SII) or one dose of the vaccine JAN COVID-19 (Janssen)] or one who has been immunized for at least 14 days with one dose of any COVID-19 vaccine available in Canada, after having been infected with COVID-19 as confirmed by a laboratory.

An unprotected person is one who does not meet any of the above conditions, who is not immunized or has incomplete immunization.