

ORDINANCE 2021-28

Date: December 30, 2021
Subject: Changes to the alert level of Nunavik communities

WHEREAS a new variant of concern of COVID-19, the Omicron variant, has been predominant in Quebec since December 15, 2021;

WHEREAS the daily number of COVID-19 cases is increasing very rapidly in most regions of Quebec and in Nunavik;

WHEREAS two communities in Nunavik are experiencing sustained community transmission of COVID-19, probably linked to the Omicron variant;

WHEREAS the uncertainty regarding the impact of the Omicron variant on the already weakened healthcare network in the region and in the South;

WHEREAS the importance of implementing measures to limit the introduction of the new Omicron variant in the Nunavik communities and thus protect the population;

The regional director of public health, acting under section 106 of the Public Health Act, changes the alert levels of Nunavik communities. As of January 1st, 2022, the communities of Nunavik will change to the Orange + alert level with the exception of those who are to the Red alert level.

The community measures of the Orange + alert level shall apply as of December 31st 2021 and the travel restrictions (identified in Ordinance 2021-16-5 dated December 30, 2021) shall apply as of January 1st 2022.

A curfew is imposed until further notice: it is forbidden for any person, between 10 p.m. and 5 a.m., to be away from their residence, unless they can demonstrate that they are away from this place to obtain essential services or to provide such services.



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