

ORDINANCE 2022-7

Date: January 19, 2022
Subject: Measures for the Red alert level in Nunavik

The Director of Public Health, in accordance with section 106 of the *Public Health Act*, has enacted travel restrictions to and from communities at the Red alert level as well as public measures to reduce the risk of spreading COVID-19.

- 1) Only the persons of the following categories are authorized to travel **from a Nunavik community to a community at the Red level**:
 - 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, airport operations, municipal services and telecommunications 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.
- 2) Only the persons of the following categories are authorized to travel **from a community at the Red level to another community in Nunavik**:
 - Those who return to their residence;
 - those required to travel to provide essential services in the sectors of education, public safety, justice, health, social services, day-care services, airport operations, municipal services and telecommunications 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 or a court judgment;
 - detained persons who must be transferred from a correctional institution to another institution or under the custody of the police for transfer to a detention facility;
 - those required to travel to obtain care or services due to their state of health.

The persons belonging to the categories mentioned in 2) 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 or upon arrival, depending on the availability of screening tests, they will have to undergo a rapid screening test for COVID-19;
- perform 10-day quarantine upon their arrival if they are not protected with 3 doses of a vaccine against COVID-19¹, including children under 12 years.

Travel from outside the region to a community at the Red level or travel from a community at the Red level to outside the region is subject to Ordinance 2021-16-5 of December 30, 2021.

3) The following public measures are in effect in a community at the Red level:

- Public places considered non-essential are closed and all non-essential activities are suspended: religious ceremony except funerals, arena, community center, sewing center, youth house, retail business with the exception of groceries, restaurant except for the sale of take-out, bar, gym, rented room, town hall for visitors;
- Essential services such as groceries store, restaurant for the sale of take-out, garage, hotel, CLSC/nursing station, religious ceremony for funerals (maximum 25 people), electricity, heating or water services, telecommunications, construction and maintenance work deemed essential, community organizations offering services to vulnerable populations (Individual services), daycare services, school and adult education center (after the reopening date set by the Government of Quebec), landholding office, Hunter Support, tannery, veterinary services, personal care (ex: massage therapy) as well as the police service remain open;
- The airport is only open to travelers and people who work there;
- Public organizations are closed to customers except when it comes to providing an essential service. Measures must then be taken to enforce physical distancing and wearing of a face covering.
- Teleworking is strongly recommended and only employees providing an essential service should go to the workplace, in compliance with prevention measures;
- 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;
- Outdoor gatherings of people who do not live in the same house are permitted up to a maximum of 20 people or 3 households if distancing is respected between people from different households;
- A curfew 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.

1. A person **adequately protected** against COVID-19 Omicron variant, for the purposes of the quarantine under this ordinance, is a person who has received a booster dose (3rd dose) of COVID-19 vaccine for at least 14 days OR who had COVID-19 confirmed by a test and has received a 2nd dose of COVID-19 vaccine within at least 21 days of the positive test.

A person **not adequately protected** is a person who does not meet the previous definition. This definition currently includes people under the age of 18 for whom booster dose have not yet been approved.

Summary of the measures at the Red level:

Type of place or activity	Open or closed	Mask	Vaccine passport	Distancing
Curfew	From 10:00 pm to 5:00 am	-	-	-
School	Open	At all times: students from 1 st grade and personnel	No	-
Day-care	Open	At all times for personnel	No	-
Get-together in a home or private outdoor gatherings	Only occupants of the same residence Exceptions: • a visitor providing support or service; • a single person (with their children, if applicable) can join a family bubble	No	No	-
Public, indoor get-together	Not allowed	-	-	-
Bar	Closed	-	-	-
Restaurant	Closed except take-out	Yes	No	-
Indoor sports activity	Not allowed	-	-	-
Gym	Closed	-	-	-
Church	Closed except for funerals (25 persons maximum)	Yes	No	-
Outdoor get-together	20 persons maximum or 3 households	No	No	Distancing of 2 metres between persons not living in same residence
Workplace	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Open to workers ▪ Telework when possible 	When at less than 2 metres	No	2 metres or physical barrier when possible

Type of place or activity	Open or closed	Mask	Vaccine passport	Distancing
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ No visitors except for the delivery of essential services 	from clientele or colleague		

The measures of this ordinance replace the measures enacted in ordinances 2021-17-4 (Kangiqsualujjuaq, December 27, 2021), 2021-11-1 (Ivujivik, December 27, 2021), 2022-01-1 (Puvirnituq, January 2, 2022), 2022-02-1 (Tasiujaq, January 6, 2022), 2022-03-1 (Kuuujuaq, January 7, 2022), 2022-4-1 (Salluit, January 10, 2022), 2022-5-1 (Kangiqsujuaq, January 14, 2022) and 2022-06-1 (Kangirsuk January 17, 2022).



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