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S&W CONSTRUCTION SECTOR AND SITE SERVICING REMAINS OPEN UNDER STRENGTHENED LOCKDOWN ORDER

The Ontario government is strengthening enforcement of the province's Stay-at-Home order while imposing new travel restrictions and further strengthening public health measures. To increase public compliance with the Stay-at-Home order and stop the spread of COVID-19, amendments to an emergency order ([O.Reg 8/21 Enforcement of COVID-19 Measures](#)) have been made that will provide police officers and other provincial offences officers enhanced authority to support the enforcement of Ontario's Stay-at-Home order.

The province-wide Stay-at-Home order remains in effect. The order requires everyone to remain at home, except for essential purposes, such as going to the grocery store or pharmacy, accessing health care services (including getting vaccinated), for outdoor exercise, or for work that cannot be done remotely.

Please note that the Sewer and Watermain Construction sector is exempt from this order.

As with previous lockdowns and stay-at-home orders, the province will focus its enforcement capabilities on workplaces that remain open, so it is critically important to remain vigilant and closely follow all the COVID-19 prevention rules, particularly those related to masking, social distancing, and sanitation.

Non-essential workers should remain in their local communities and avoid all non-essential travel. However, individuals will be permitted to travel for work that is deemed essential.

These new measures will remain in place for at least six weeks. For information on the announcement [Click Here.](#)

Please continue to refer to sector specific guidelines developed by the Ministry of Labour, Training and Skilled Development in conjunction with the IHSA. For sector-specific guidelines, please [Click Here.](#)

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