



# COVID-19 Information

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**For accurate and up-to-date information on the Township of Huron-Kinloss Response to COVID-19 please visit:**

Website:  
[huronkinloss.com/en/live-here/covid-19.aspx](http://huronkinloss.com/en/live-here/covid-19.aspx)



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### **Municipal Office Closed for Civic Holiday**

The Township of Huron-Kinloss Municipal Office, the Ripley-Huron Community Centre and The Hub will be closed on Monday, August 2, 2021 for the Civic Holiday.

## **Grey and Bruce Counties Enter Modified Step 3**

Ontario's Roadmap to Reopen is a three-step plan to safely reopen the province and lift public health measures based on the province-wide vaccination rate and improvements in key public health and health care indicators. As of July 16, 2021, Ontario moved into Stage 3 of the Roadmap to Reopening.

However, Grey-Bruce Public Health, issued a Media Release on July 15, 2021 advising that Grey Bruce will enter a modified Step 3, with strong recommendations from Chief Medical Officer of Health Dr. Arra, instead of regulatory orders to contain the spread of COVID-19.

### **These recommendations include:**

- Limits on private gatherings – 25 people for outdoor gatherings and 5 people for indoor gatherings
- Strongly encouraged to dine outdoors
- Workplaces and patrons follow public health measures, especially gyms, cinemas, and fast food locations.
- Church services and attendees, specifically wedding receptions, follow public health measures.
- Personal service settings and salons continue to require masks be worn, as in Step 2.

Grey Bruce continues to see a significant number of COVID-19 cases with 99% being the Delta variant. It is noteworthy that a large number of current cases are in individuals that were not vaccinated or became infected as the result of gatherings where COVID-19 precautions were not followed. Residents are encouraged to receive vaccinations. The Health Unit has advised that until we reach a level of vaccination that protects the entire population, everyone must continue to be prudent in following COVID-19 precautions.

A reminder that the Province of Ontario declared the Counties of Grey and Bruce a Delta Variant Hot Spot. The Grey Bruce Health unit urges everyone to continue following public health guidelines, including wearing a mask and physical distancing, and to get vaccinated as soon as possible.

For a full details on Stage 3, please visit [covid-19/ontario.ca](https://covid-19/ontario.ca)

# Huron-Kinloss Municipal Services Continue

The Township of Huron-Kinloss continues to prioritize the health and well-being of residents and businesses by following advice from the Grey Bruce Health Unit and Provincial Government.

## Huron-Kinloss Council Meetings

The Township of Huron-Kinloss Council is continuing with virtual meetings. Visit **calendar.huronkinloss.com/meetings** for meeting details.

## Parks and Recreation

Outdoor recreational amenities are open, including parks, picnic shelters and picnic tables subject to gathering limits, physical distancing and COVID-19 safety measures.

Municipal sports fields, diamonds and courts are open for outdoor sports. Outdoor splash pads in Ripley and Lucknow are open with physical distancing measure of two meters in place.

## Grey-Bruce Ends Mass Immunization Clinics

The Grey-Bruce Health Unit has ended its mass COVID-19 immunizations clinics at the end of July. Mass vaccine clinics for August and September will not be needed as the Hub arenas will be returned to community use.

Individuals who wish to get their first or second dose can still do so by booking an appointment. Please go to the **publichealthgreybruce.on.ca** and choose either the Local Booking System or Provincial Booking System and select a location and date.

For questions, please call 519-376-9420 or 1-800-263-3456.

As the Province enters step 3 of reopening, and Grey Bruce enters a modified step 3 of reopening, the Grey Bruce Health Unit is happy to announce a major milestone in terms of vaccination success locally. We have surpassed giving over 200,000 doses of the COVID-19 vaccine locally (up from about 140,000 last week of June). The majority of COVID-19 infections and deaths are among unvaccinated people. Public Health says Vaccine is the best way to control the spread of the COVID-19 virus, especially with the recent surge of the Delta Variant.

## Landfill

Huron Landfill -2087 Concession 6 East, Open Tuesday, Friday and Saturday from 10am to 4pm.  
Kinloss Landfill - 690 Kairshea Ave. Open Saturdays 10am to 2pm for recyclables only.

## Yard Waste Depots

Yard Waste Depots are open 24-hours/day Concession 6 East,(just east of the Huron Landfill) 907 Havelock St, Lucknow (beside the entrance to the Lucknow Soccer Fields).

## Not all areas of Ontario are able to keep up with contact tracing.

We ask that all residents of this Region notify the GBHU COVID-19 team immediately if they become aware that they had contact with a person with COVID-19 from another geographic area.

Similarly, we ask all employers of Grey and Bruce Counties notify the COVID-19 team immediately if they become aware that one of their employees was identified as a case residing in another geographic area or had contact with such case.

**GBHU COVID-19 Team:**  
519-376-9420 or 1-800-263-3456 Ext 3000



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For the success and well-being of our community

## PROTECT YOURSELF AND OTHERS FROM COVID-19 EVEN IF YOU HAVE HAD A VACCINE BY:



**Staying Home if you feel unwell**



**Watching Your Distance**  
(2m between yourself and others)



**Washing your Hands Often**  
(use soap and water or hand sanitizer)

**Wearing your Mask**  
(as required or whenever physical distancing is not possible)



**Getting Both Vaccine doses**  
as soon as possible. Continue to use public health measures, even when you're fully vaccinated.