

Resuming business operations in B.C. in a healthy and safe manner



Phase 3

We're all doing our part

As British Columbians move into Phase 3 of the provincial government's [Restart Plan](#), we're all doing our part to help workers and employers get back to work in a healthy and safe manner.

At WorkSafeBC, we continue to develop industry-specific resources as businesses reopen, and to connect your members with the supports workers and employers need to reduce the risk of COVID-19 transmission in B.C. workplaces.

COVID-19 Safety Plan tools

Every employer needs a COVID-19 Safety Plan, which must be posted at a worksite where customers can see it, as well as online if the employer has a website.

The plan can be developed based on our template, either using a [fillable PDF](#) or a [new mobile app](#) for [iOS](#) and [Android](#) smartphones and tablets. Employers can use these tools to follow a six-step process to outline their policies, guidelines, and procedures to keep workers healthy and safe.

Resources and information

See our [COVID-19 information and resources](#) to learn more about preventing the transmission of COVID-19 in the workplace, including [returning to safe operation](#), [FAQs](#), and [what workers should expect](#). You can also find [claims information](#) for workers and employers.



A number of **health and safety resources** are also available, including guidance documents and a selection of printable posters for display at the workplace.

Many health and safety resources are also available in Chinese (**simplified** and **traditional**), **French**, **Punjabi**, **Spanish**, and **Vietnamese**.

Industry-specific protocols

Visit worksafebc.com for health and safety protocols for industries operating during Phases 1, 2, and 3.

- Accommodation
- Agriculture
- Arts and culture
- Child care and day camps
- Construction
- Education (K-12)
- Forestry
- Gyms and fitness centres
- Health care
- Health professions
- Hospitality
- In-person counselling
- Manufacturing
- Motion picture and television production
- Municipalities
- Offices
- Parks, camping, and tourism
- Performing arts
- Personal services
- Real estate
- Restaurants, cafés, and pubs
- Retail
- Small business
- Sports and recreation
- Transit
- Transportation

We'll continue to update these protocols as necessary.

Tracking B.C.'s health and safety progress

To help understand the trajectory of COVID-19 and its impact on workers and employers, we are publishing regularly updated statistics on **injured worker claims** and **prevention and enforcement activities** during the pandemic.

Premium relief for employers

We recognize the challenges many employers are facing amid the COVID-19 pandemic, and have taken several measures to support them:

- We have extended the **deferral period** for quarterly premium payments for an additional three months, without penalty or interest, until October 20, 2020.
- We have **postponed** the release of 2021 preliminary rates from July until this fall.
- We have **waived premiums** for employers who are approved to receive the Canada Emergency Wage Subsidy (CEWS) for workers who are on leave with full or partial pay.

We're here to help

Workers and employers with questions or requiring additional advice, including the right to refuse unsafe work, can call our Prevention Information Line at 1.888.621.7233 to speak directly with a prevention officer.



Total year-to-date COVID-19-related inspections as of June 12, 2020

10,321



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