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.

For more information, visit us at worksafebc.com