

GUIDANCE FOR HUNTING AND FISHING LODGES, CAMPS AND OUTFITTERS

Overview

This document is intended to support operators in reducing the risk of transmission of COVID-19 among guests and workers of hunting and fishing lodges, camps, outfitters and resorts (private facilities that may/may not provide overnight accommodation, food and charters and/or equipment). Operators of these businesses should also follow the [Workplace Guidance for Business Owners](#).

COVID-19 Risk Mitigation

Booking and Administration	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Implement online and telephone booking systems, where possible.• Advise clients upon booking and registration that they must not travel or attend the fishing camp if they are sick or have COVID-19-like symptoms, or have travelled internationally in the last 14 days.• The number of clients should not exceed the number of individuals that can maintain effective physical distancing (2 metres) or be protected through another means (e.g. plastic barriers, masks).<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Individuals in the same household or family cohort are not required to maintain physical distancing.• Encourage staff to avoid touching personal items of clients such as luggage, and to wash hands or use alcohol-based hand sanitizer often.
Accommodations	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Individuals may share accommodation (lodging) rooms and facilities (bathrooms) only if they are from the same household or cohort family.<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ In circumstances where only shared facilities exist, operators should remind clients to wash their hands before and after use.• Consider reducing the level of housekeeping for any clients at this time to minimize the time staff spend in client's spaces.• Fully clean and disinfect surfaces in rooms after check out. Launder all reusable sheets, linens and other blankets.• No employees should enter the room of a client who is isolating or who has symptoms of COVID-19.
Food Service	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• For dine-in service, operators should follow the guidance set out for restaurants, found here.• For quick service or take-out service<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Demarcate floors with physical distancing markers in areas where line-ups occur.○ Keep line-ups away from dining areas• For room service<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Where possible, ensure staff delivering meal trays are limiting or not touching the serving surfaces.• Leave food outside room and allow guests to collect after staff have left.

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<p>Equipment, Rentals, Activities</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wherever possible, clients should be encouraged to bring and use their own sporting equipment. • The sharing of equipment between clients who are not in the same household or cohort family should not be allowed. • Assign rental equipment to individuals or groups from the same household for the duration of their stay, such as boats, ATVs, tree stands, etc. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Rented equipment must be thoroughly cleaned and disinfected between users. • Use masks or other protective equipment for staff and clients when they will be in close proximity to one another (e.g. on the boat, when netting fish for clients, sharing blinds or tree stands, etc.). • Individual or group instruction must only be conducted with appropriate distancing and gathering restrictions in place.
<p>Common Spaces</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Activities in shared spaces also require physical distancing of at least 2 metres; consider physical barriers or other measures if this distance cannot be maintained. • Any group recreational activities or facilities (e.g. fire pits) should be limited to capacities that can maintain adequate physical distancing between individuals or groups of the same households. • Indoor fitness centres, along with pools, whirlpools and waterslides, should remain closed until further notice. • Activities in common spaces should not include the sharing of common equipment, unless the individuals are from the same household. • Limit congregating with other people when going to and from common areas. • Make hand washing stations and/or hand sanitizer containing at least 60% alcohol available for clients. • Implement increased cleaning and disinfecting of common spaces.
<p>Workplace</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Operators are responsible to ensure interventions are in place to prevent COVID-19 transmission: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Operators should follow measures set out in the Workplace Guidance for Businesses Owners. ○ Particular attention should be paid to the cleaning and disinfecting of common-touch surfaces. ○ The operator should determine the need for, and install/maintain, any necessary physical barriers or dividers. • Post signage throughout the facility that outlines measures being taken to reduce the transmission of COVID-19. • If portable bathrooms are used, they should include hand sanitizer stations or foot-activated hand washing stations (with soap and paper towels) adjacent to the units.

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Each operator must have a detailed plan for isolation of clients and staff should they develop symptoms while at the camp.• Operators should have a plan to transport sick individuals out of the camp without exposing other to risk of infection, using appropriate protection for both staff and other clients.
Staff	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Operators should actively screen staff for COVID-19 symptoms.• If staff live in facility-provided housing, develop plans regarding isolation areas for ill individuals. If staff need to be isolated, they must be provided a separate room and, if possible, bathroom.