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Provinces' Roadmap to Reopen allows for some outdoor amenities to safely open this Saturday

Puslinch – Yesterday afternoon, the Province released its [Roadmap to Reopen](#), a three-step plan to safely and cautiously reopen the province and gradually lift public health measures. The plan is based on:

- The province-wide vaccination rate
- Improvement in key public health and health care indicators

The following outdoor recreational amenities will re-open as of 12:01 a.m. on Saturday, May 22

- soccer and other sports fields
- tennis
- basketball courts
- No outdoor team sports or recreational classes are permitted. These activities are identified in Step 1 which is estimated to begin on June 14
- Playgrounds remain open

Please continue to practice physical distancing of 2 meters, consider leaving the amenity if it is crowded, consider wearing a mask and follow the posted signage. All other COVID-19 restrictions remain in effect until the [Stay at Home order](#) expires on June 2, 2021.

It is expected that [Step 1](#) will begin on June 14. The province will remain at each step for at least 21 days to evaluate any impacts on key public health and health system indicators. At the end of the 21 days, they will evaluate vaccination rates and look for positive trends in other key public health and health system indicators. If trends in key public health and health system indicators are positive, the province will move to the next step two weeks after the following vaccination thresholds have been met:

Step 1: 60% of adults vaccinated with one dose

An initial focus on resuming outdoor activities with smaller crowds where the risk of transmission is lower, and permitting retail with restrictions. This includes:

- outdoor gatherings of up to 10 people
- outdoor dining with up to four people per table
- non-essential retail at 15% capacity

Step 2: 70% of adults vaccinated with one dose and 20% vaccinated with two doses

Further expanding outdoor activities and resuming limited indoor services with small numbers of people and with face coverings being worn. This includes:

- outdoor gatherings of up to 25 people
- outdoor sports and leagues
- overnight camps
- personal care services where face coverings can be worn and with capacity limits
- indoor religious services, rites or ceremony gatherings at 15% capacity

Step 3: 70 to 80% of adults vaccinated with one dose and 25% vaccinated with two doses

Expanding access to indoor settings, with restrictions, including where there are larger numbers of people and where face coverings can't always be worn. This includes:

- indoor sports and recreational fitness
- indoor dining
- museums, art galleries and libraries
- casinos and bingo halls with capacity limits

For more information from the Province please visit <https://www.ontario.ca/page/reopening-ontario>

For more information on COVID-19, and tips on taking care of your mental health during physical distancing and social isolation, please contact Wellington-Dufferin-Guelph Public Health at 1-800-265-7293 or visit www.wdgpulichealth.ca.

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