



Sheet Metal Workers' & Roofers' Local 30

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NOTICE TO ALL LOCAL 30 MEMBERS

Re: COVID-19 Stay-at-Home Order

Yesterday, the Government of Ontario announced a province-wide state of emergency related to the COVID-19 pandemic. The Ontario Government is imposing a stay-at-home order effective January 14, 2021, at 12:01 am, lasting for at least 28 days. This means that people in Ontario are required to stay at home unless they are leaving their homes for essential purposes.

As a result of the government's stay-at-home order, the Local 30 office will be closed to all visitors effective January 14, 2021, until further notice. The business of the Union office will continue. Members may contact representatives, organizers and staff via telephone and e-mail. Telephone numbers and e-mail addresses for all representatives, organizers and staff are posted on the Local 30 website at www.smwia-l30.com. Members wishing to pay monthly dues during this period are encouraged to do so via credit card or debit card over the telephone. Local 30 will be waiving the service fees for credit card and debit card payments until further notice.

At the same time that the government issued its stay-at-home order, it also confirmed that maintenance work, manufacturing and certain "essential" construction projects will be permitted to continue operating. The majority of the construction work that our members perform has been deemed "essential", however, members are encouraged to review the list of essential construction work attached to this notice and contact foremen or supervisors to confirm that the project at which they have been working is continuing to operate. Members can expect that COVID-19 policies and procedures on job sites and in production shops will be more thoroughly enforced.

If you have any questions or concerns about the above, please contact your business representative.

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Construction

Updated list of construction projects deemed essential:

- Construction projects and services associated with the healthcare sector and long-term care, including new facilities, expansions, renovations, and conversion of spaces that could be repurposed for health care space.
- Construction projects and services required to ensure safe and reliable operations of, or to provide new capacity in, provincial and municipal infrastructure, including transit, transportation, energy, mining, and justice sectors beyond the day-to-day maintenance.
- Construction projects and services that support the operations of, and provide new capacity in schools, colleges, universities, municipal infrastructure and childcare centres within the meaning of the Child Care and Early Years Act, 2014.
- Construction projects under Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program
- Construction projects and services that support the operations of Broadband internet and cellular technologies and services.

- **Critical industrial construction activities required for,**
 - The maintenance and operations of petrochemical plants and refineries,
 - Significant industrial petrochemical projects where preliminary work has already commenced,
 - Industrial construction and modifications to existing industrial structures limited solely to work necessary for the production, maintenance, and/or enhancement of PPE, medical devices (such as ventilators), and other identified products directly related to combatting the COVID-19 pandemic.

- Construction projects that are due to be completed before **July 2021**, and that would provide additional capacity in the production, processing, manufacturing or distribution of food, beverages, or agricultural products.
- Construction projects that were commenced before **January 12, 2021**, and that would,
 - I. Provide additional capacity for businesses that provide logistical support, distribution services, warehousing, storage or shipping and delivery services, or
 - II. Provide additional capacity

- **Residential construction projects where,**

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- A footing permit has been granted for single family, semi-detached and townhomes
 - The project is condominium, mixed use or other residential building, or
 - The project involves renovations to residential properties and construction work was started before January 12, 2021
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- Construction to prepare a site for an institutional, commercial, industrial or residential development, including and necessary excavation, grading, roads or utilities infrastructure.
 - Construction and maintenance activities necessary to temporarily close construction sites that have paused or are not active and to ensure ongoing public safety.
 - Below-grade multi-unit residential construction projects, such as apartments and condominiums. The Ontario government also provided that businesses must follow public health measures and should review the workplaces safety guidelines.
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- **Construction on any project intended to provide either,**
 - Affordable housing, or
 - Shelter or supports for vulnerable persons,
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- **If the project is being funded in whole or in part by, or is being undertaken by, any of the following:**
 - The Crowns in right of Canada or in right of Ontario,
 - An agency of the Crown in right of Canada or in right of Ontario,
 - A municipality,
 - A service manager as defined in the *Housing Services Act, 2011*, or
 - A registered charity and not for profit within the meaning of the *Income Tax Act* (Canada).

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