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SASKATCHEWAN GREENHOUSES AND LANDSCAPING RETAILERS COVID-19 REGULATIONS

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The Saskatchewan Greenhouse Growers Association and Landscape Saskatchewan, along with the Saskatchewan Government have collaboratively identified regulations that deem Saskatchewan greenhouses and landscaping retailers an allowable business to operate - if the operation is following the mandatory regulations and exercising good judgement for the safety of all Saskatchewan residents.

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However, the public is only allowed in your greenhouse **after** these policies have been implemented.

Mandatory Conditions for Operation:

Saskatchewan greenhouses and landscaping retailers can be considered an allowable business in the following instances:

- They operate with delivery or curbside pick-up only.
OR / AND
- They allow a maximum of one customer per 1,000 square feet of retail space in the facility at a time and proper social distancing (e.g., a maximum of 10 customers at a time) is maintained and the following criteria must be met:
 - o Hand sanitizer and sanitizing wipes must be available on site so that any common surfaces can be wiped between customers (e.g., carts, debit machines, door handles, counters, etc.) and so customers can have access to hand sanitizer upon entry and exit of the facility.
 - o Proper social distancing, i.e., a two-metre separation between individuals can be maintained.
 - o Flow control is implemented, i.e., one-way routes with social distancing measures.
 - o Employees have access to hand sanitizer, gloves and sanitizing wipes.
 - o Employees are required to stay home if they are unwell or symptomatic.
 - o Food and beverage service is suspended, except for curbside pick-up or delivery.
 - o Washrooms are closed to the public.
 - o A sign is posted on the door with general cautions regarding COVID-19.
 - o External queues and line must be managed in compliance with social distancing criteria.

Clarification: Operations with multiple greenhouses or clearly separate facility spaces may allow a maximum of 10 people per facility / building / segregated area at the 1:1000 sq ft ratio, however these operations will have to ensure flow control measures are in place to prevent congestion that exceeds the ratio.

Operators are required to adhere the conditions above or they will be considered non-compliant with the public health order and may be subject to fines, prosecution or closure.

We are pleased to share the details of the mandatory conditions under which greenhouses and landscaping retailers are permitted to operate. However, the SGGGA and LS would like to emphasize the importance of owners acknowledging that it is the responsibility of all greenhouse and landscaping owners / operators to follow the mandatory practices (at the very minimum). This is the time for the industry to come together to support and protect each other's business. Therefore we are reminding operators to ensure you are following the guidelines to avoid risking a change in our regulations due to a lack of compliance, that may have an impact on the overall industry. PLEASE do your part to be responsible and follow the guidelines that the SGGGA and LA have worked with the Government of Saskatchewan – Covid-19 Business Response Team to develop to support your operation this season. If you know of a greenhouse that is not implementing the regulations, please let the SGGGA or LS know, so we can reach out to them and work with them to rectify their practices.