WorkSafeBC Home

Mandatory masks in public places

The [Ministerial Order](https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/safety/emergency-preparedness-response-recovery/covid-19-provincial-support/restrictions) of the Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor General provides requirements for masks in many public indoor settings and all retail stores. There are exemptions for:

* People with health conditions or with physical, cognitive or mental impairments who cannot wear one
* People who cannot remove a mask on their own
* Children under the age of 12
* People who need to remove their masks to communicate due to a hearing impairment

What employers need to do

Employers should provide signage on the mandatory mask policy and inform customers about the requirement.

Employers should ensure that workers are provided with information on how to discuss mandatory mask usage with customers, including what to do if they refuse or become abusive. Employers should review their [violence prevention policy](https://www.worksafebc.com/en/health-safety/hazards-exposures/violence) to ensure that it addresses safety issues that may arise.

What workers need to do

Workers must abide by the protocols and policies in their employer's COVID-19 Safety Plan, which may include the use of masks for some circumstances.

**How should employers manage the exemptions to this order?**

This order includes exemptions for:

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Employers are not required\* to ask members of the public for proof that an exemption applies to them.

**\* Clarification:** Employers who “ask members of the public for proof that an exemption applies to them”, are in direct violation of the Canadian Charter of Rights – Section 15, and therefore **may be subject to prosecution**.

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