

COAST TO COAST UPDATE

AS OF MAY 8, 2020



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Where such information has been announced, below is an update on convenience stores and gas stations deemed as essential businesses across the country as well as updates on the reopening of complimentary and competing businesses per provincial guidelines.

BRITISH COLUMBIA

C-STORES and GAS STATIONS STILL LISTED AS ESSENTIAL

Convenience stores and gas stations have been listed as essential businesses. Read the full list [HERE](#).

Provincial 4-phase "Restart Plan" announced on May 6th. No specific dates have been set. Read the Restart Plans [HERE](#).

ALBERTA

C-STORES and GAS STATIONS STILL LISTED AS ESSENTIAL

Convenience stores and gas stations have been listed as essential businesses, as are the rest of our channel's supply chain. Read entire list [HERE](#).

Non-essential businesses must remain closed even as initial loosening of restrictions begin on May 4.

SASKATCHEWAN

C-STORES and GAS STATIONS STILL LISTED AS ALLOWABLE

Convenience stores and gas stations in Saskatchewan are still listed as allowable businesses. These establishments must continue to enforce social distancing of 2 meters. Read full list [HERE](#).

Other retail businesses that were previously ordered closed must remain closed. Re-opening of these businesses may begin as early as May 19 but is subject to change.

MANITOBA

NON-ESSENTIAL RETAIL STORES OPENING MAY 4th

The first phase of Manitoba's re-opening begins on May 4 with the reopening of a variety of establishments including retail businesses.

Convenience stores and gas stations have always been permitted to operate during closures. Vape shops are amongst the retail shops permitted to re-open on May 4.

Full details and guidelines for Phase One can be read [HERE](#).

ONTARIO

MORE RETAIL BUSINESSES OPENING STARTING MAY 8th

As of 12:01am on May 4th, certain retail businesses and public facing services will be permitted to resume activities. Joining convenience stores and gas stations, which have long been permitted to operate during the crisis, are automated and self-service carwashes.

On May 6th, it was announced that additional retail businesses were permitted to open starting May 8.

Full details can be viewed [HERE](#).

QUEBEC

NON-ESSENTIAL RETAIL STORES OPENING MAY 4 and 25

As part of the province's gradual reopening, retail stores located outside the City of Montreal with direct exterior access may resume activities from May 4th.

Montreal retail businesses may resume from May 25th.

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NEWFOUNDLAND LABRADOR

C-STORES and GAS STATIONS PERMITTED TO OPERATE

The province has declared that retail businesses that provide food and gas stations are permitted to operate.

See list [HERE](#).

All non-essential businesses are to remain closed.

NOVA SCOTIA

C-STORES and GAS STATIONS STILL LISTED AS ESSENTIAL

Nova Scotia has listed convenience stores and gas stations as essential but is enforcing social distancing of 2 meters between customers and staff.

See order [HERE](#).

All non-essential businesses are to remain closed.

NEW BRUNSWICK

MAY 8th: ENTERED "ORANGE" PHASE OF RECOVERY PLAN

On May 8th, the province entered the "Orange" phase of their 4-stage recovery plan. The phases may be viewed [HERE](#).

During the Orange Phase, some businesses may reopen immediately so long as they have plans to ensure that social distancing and other public health orders are put in place. The list of businesses and brief on current public health orders can be viewed [HERE](#).

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND

C-STORES and GAS STATIONS LISTED AS ESSENTIAL

PEI has officially listed convenience stores as an essential service, both stores with and without fuel. CICC has been assured the entire supply chain will continue to operate.

Read entire list [HERE](#).

All other retail businesses are to remain closed.

TERRITORIES

MIXED LISTINGS

NORTHWEST TERRITORIES and YUKON have deemed convenience stores and gas stations as essential businesses.

Source [HERE](#) and [HERE](#).

NUNAVUT has not yet created lists of essential and non-essential services and businesses. The territory has stated types of businesses to close but not yet which may remain open, including convenience stores and gas stations.