



## GUIDANCE TO REDUCE TRANSMISSION OF COVID-19 AND ENSURE A CLEAN CONSTRUCTION JOBSITE

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The Mainland Building Trades, Cape Breton Building Trades along with the Nova Scotia Construction Labour Relations Association have been working together on steps to take to ensure a clean worksite and reduce the transmission of COVID-19. This guidance includes:

### For Construction Workers:

- Don't go to work if you are feeling sick.
- Don't shake hands when greeting others.
- Avoid large gatherings or meetings.
- Try to stay six feet away from others on job sites and in gatherings, meetings, and training sessions.
- Cover your mouth and nose with tissues if you cough or sneeze or do so into your elbow.
- Avoid contact with sick people.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, or mouth with unwashed hands.
- Clean your hands often by washing them with soap and water for at least 20 seconds or using an alcohol-based hand sanitizer that contains 60%–95% alcohol. Soap and water should be used if hands are visibly dirty.
- It is especially important to clean hands after going to the bathroom, before eating, and after coughing, sneezing, or blowing your nose.

### For Construction Industry Employers:

- Create at least 2-metres/6-feet of space between workers by staging/staggering crews to prevent droplet spread.
- Plan for office staff to have the ability to work from home.
- Provide soap and running water on all jobsites for frequent handwashing. If that is impossible, provide hand sanitizer.
- Clean and disinfect high-touch surfaces on job sites and in offices—such as hand rails, door knobs, and portable toilets—frequently, as per Health Canada guidelines: [canada.ca/coronavirus](http://canada.ca/coronavirus)
- If you work in healthcare facilities, train your workers in Infection Control Risk Assessment (ICRA).

For up-to-date information on COVID-19 from the Province of Nova Scotia, please visit: [novascotia.ca/coronavirus/](http://novascotia.ca/coronavirus/)

