

FORWARDED ON BEHALF OF THE PANDEMIC WORKING GROUP

To: All VPD Employees - Civilian and Sworn
COVID-19 Update: July 30, 2020

The following will provide an update on key developments and reminders for the week of July 30, 2020, in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. As the VPD's response remains fluid and adaptive, it is important that all VPD staff continue to follow the developing situation on a daily basis.

Key Updates for July 30, 2020

- Continued Awareness of PPE Usage during COVID-19 Pandemic

Operational Considerations

As an ongoing reminder, the VPD will not be taking the lead on any enforcement action regarding Federal, Provincial, and Municipal COVID-19 related orders. **Any enforcement action in relation to COVID-19 orders requires Car 10 approval.**

Reminder of COVID-19 Prevention Measures

Staff are reminded to maintain their mindfulness and diligence in their usage of PPE when interacting with the public and while in public buildings (e.g.: hospitals, civic facilities, police buildings). Both sworn and civilian staff regularly interact with members of the public (and each other), and some are more conscientious about adherence to the safety protocols laid out by Health Canada. In an effort to lessen any stressors or concerns that the public may have during the continued pandemic, staff should continue to follow PPE guidelines.

For further information, please follow the link below from the VPD COVID-19 intranet page:

<http://references.sharepoint01.vpd.bc.ca/COVID19/Bulletins/PPE-Guidelines.pdf>

Vehicle cleaning

Members are reminded to wipe down their vehicles at the start of every shift and throughout their shift as needed. PPE and cleaning supplies continue to be available at the kiosk.

Patrol vehicles are sanitized once a day with Vital Oxide, which has been confirmed as effective against COVID-19. A yellow sticker on the wheel indicates that the vehicle has been disinfected. Any vehicle suspected to have been in contact with the virus will be removed from service and professionally decontaminated by First Trauma before being returned to service.

Health and Wellness

CISM/Peer Support

Members are reminded that if they require support during the COVID-19 crisis they can contact CISM/Peer Support and *Vancouver Beyond the Blue*. Information on these services and other supports and can be found on the COVID-19 intranet website and on VPDemerg.ca.

Accessing Key COVID-19 Information

From your desk:	VPD's CoVID-19 Information & Updates webpage via the Intranet http://references.sharepoint01.vpd.bc.ca/COVID19/default.aspx
From your email:	Weekly Situation Reports distributed to your VPD email address
From the road:	VPD GO 2020-54066 accessible by MDT
From home or cell:	Go to VPDemerg.ca . Password: Nitro

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