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SILVER COMMAND
(INSPECTOR IAN UPTON)**

**To: All VPD Employees - Civilian and Sworn
COVID-19 Update: June 11, 2020**

The following will provide an update on key developments and reminders for June 11, 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 June 11, 2020

- Reminders for Physical Distancing
- Continued Closure of Traffic and Bylaw Courts

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.**

Reminders to Staff for Practicing Physical Distancing

As the British Columbia continues to move towards Phase 3 of the BC Restart Plan, sworn and civilian staff are reminded to respect the existing physical distancing protocols in place:

- avoiding crowded places and non-essential gatherings
- avoiding common greetings, such as handshakes
- limiting contact with people at higher risk (e.g. older adults and those in poor health)
- keeping a distance of at least 2 metres (approximately 2 arm lengths) from others, as much as possible

As well, if staff members are unable to maintain proper physical distancing, they are encouraged to use PPEs in the form of surgical masks.

Continued Closure of Traffic and Bylaw Courts

All traffic and bylaw matters, with hearings previously scheduled for March 19, 2020 and thereafter, are adjourned for rescheduling without the disputant having to attend Court. Members and the disputant will be sent a new notice of hearing that will include the new date, time and location and method of the hearing.

The Court is in the process of developing these new dates, times and locations and will provide further information as soon as possible.

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 and tested 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:	Daily 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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