



# INFORMATION BULLETIN

## COVID-19

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The Town of Claresholm continues to follow all guidelines and protocols put forward by Alberta's Chief Medical Officer of Health and urges residents to do the same. For the province's latest information, please visit [www.alberta.ca/COVID19](http://www.alberta.ca/COVID19). For more information on Alberta's Relaunch Strategy, please read the document at <https://www.alberta.ca/alberta-relaunch-strategy.aspx>. Our province is currently in Stage 1 of the Relaunch Strategy.

The Town of Claresholm Administration Office is open to the public Monday to Friday 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., closed Fridays only from 12:00 – 1:00 p.m. We would like to encourage the public to continue to refrain from attending in person to prevent the spread of COVID-19 where possible. Residents have embraced other ways of staying in contact with the office including email, phone calls and using online banking. Please continue to reach out as necessary. Development and Economic Development Departments are available by appointment only by calling 403-625-3381. Claresholm & District FCSS is available by appointment by calling 403-625-4417. Both sites are allowing only one person in the lobby area at a time to promote physical distancing.

Claresholm Town Council continues to hold regular Council Meetings by electronic means only. The Town livestreams all meetings and makes recordings available to the public following each meeting. This is the best way to ensure the health and safety of Council members, staff and the public as Council Chambers is a small space in which physical distancing is difficult. This practice will continue until at least July as the relaunch continues.

The Town of Claresholm is pleased that our province is allowing businesses, services and recreation to start to open. The Town is being very cautious about the health and safety of Town staff. At this point, Spring Clean-up has still been postponed, however Administration and Council are investigating options for the future.

Municipal playgrounds are currently in the process of being opened for use, however we stress that they must be used respectfully. Please watch for signage indicating that the playground is open.

- Do not use if feeling sick
- Maximum gathering is 50 people
- Physical distancing of 2 metres or 6 feet must be followed
- Hand sanitizer must be applied before and after your visit
- Wash with warm soapy water as soon as you arrive home.

Residents should not be playing a game of basketball, volleyball or any close contact sport unless it is with members of their household or cohort family. A pickup game between friends is not currently allowed.

The province is now allowing residents to hold garage sales, however you must follow the guidelines for Farmers Markets when you have a garage sale. Guidance is available from the Alberta Biz Connect website <https://www.alberta.ca/assets/documents/covid-19-relaunch-guidance-farmers-markets-and-public-markets.pdf>.

The Claresholm Spray Park continues to remain closed as spray parks fall under the same category as pools and aquatic centres, which are part of the Stage 3 opening. The date for Stage 3 remains unknown at this time. As soon as the province allows spray parks to open, our spray park will open weather permitting. The Claresholm Aquatic will reopen as part of Stage 3.

Centennial Park Campground is open with full hookups, however the washrooms remain closed. No tenting is allowed at this time. Physical distancing must be adhered to. The sani-dump station located at the campground is also open.

Please continue to follow the guidelines put forth by Alberta's Chief Medical Officer of Health and take care of yourselves and your families. The Town of Claresholm wishes everyone health and happiness and thanks you for doing your part. Together, we are stronger.