

(20) every competition, tournament or other event of the same nature organized for the playing of recreational or sports activities is suspended, unless

(a) it is organized to be played outdoors and the capacity of every changing room is set at 50% of its usual capacity; or

(b) it is part of a qualifying process for Olympic or Paralympic Games and world championships, and the following conditions are complied with by the athletes and supervisory staff:

i. a protected environment is put in place that seeks to limit the risks of transmission between the athletes and supervisory staff and the general public, in accordance with a sanitary protocol approved by the Minister of Health and Social Services;

ii. the sanitary protocol approved by the Minister of Health and Social Services is complied with at all times, before, during and after entering the protected environment;

iii. the capacity of every changing room is set at 50% of its usual capacity;”;

(12) in subparagraph 21,

(a) in subparagraph a.1,

i. by striking out “for a group of persons under 18 years of age or, if it is organized by a sports federation body or a body recognized by the Minister of Education, Recreation and Sports, for a group of persons under 18 years of age and persons born after 1 January 2001” in the portion before subparagraph i;

ii. by striking out subparagraph ii;

(b) by inserting “, vocational training and adult general education” at the end of subparagraph b;

(c) by replacing subparagraph c.1 by the following:

“(c.1) the activity is part of extracurricular activities provided to students in general education for youth, vocational training and adult general education;”;

(13) by inserting “attended by a maximum of 250 persons, without exceeding 50% of the usual capacity of the hall” at the end of subparagraph f of subparagraph 22;

THAT the fourth paragraph of the operative part of Order in Council 1173-2021 dated 1 September 2021, amended by Order in Council 1276-2021 dated 24 September 2021,

and by Ministerial Orders 2021-067 dated 8 October 2021, 2021-079 and 2021-081 dated 14 November 2021, 2021-082 dated 17 November 2021, 2021-089 dated 19 December 2021, 2022-004 dated 15 January 2022, 2022-007 dated 23 January 2022 and 2022-013 dated 5 February 2022, be further amended by inserting “, unless it is being held in a hearing room” at the end of subparagraph 15.1;

THAT the measures set out in this Order take effect on 14 February 2022, except those set out in paragraphs 1 and 5 to 7 of the first paragraph, which take effect on 12 February 2022.

Québec, 11 February 2022

CHRISTIAN DUBÉ
Minister of Health and Social Services

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M.O., 2022

Ministerial Order 2022-017 of the Minister of Health and Social Services dated 15 February 2022

Public Health Act
(chapter S-2.2)

Ordering of measures to protect the health of the population amid the COVID-19 pandemic situation

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES,

CONSIDERING section 118 of the Public Health Act (chapter S-2.2) which provides that the Government may declare a public health emergency in all or part of the territory of Québec where a serious threat to the health of the population, whether real or imminent, requires the immediate application of certain measures provided for in section 123 of the Act to protect the health of the population;

CONSIDERING Order in Council 177-2020 dated 13 March 2020 declaring a public health emergency throughout Québec for a period of 10 days;

CONSIDERING that the public health emergency has consistently been renewed since that date by various Orders in Council, including by Order in Council 131-2022 dated 9 February 2022;

CONSIDERING that Order in Council 1173-2021 dated 1 September 2021, amended by Order in Council 1276-2021 dated 24 September 2021, and by Ministerial

Orders 2021-067 dated 8 October 2021, 2021-079 and 2021-081 dated 14 November 2021, 2021-082 dated 17 November 2021, 2021-089 dated 19 December 2021, 2022-004 dated 15 January 2022, 2022-007 dated 23 January 2022, 2022-013 dated 5 February 2022 and 2022-015 dated 11 February 2022, provides that a person must be adequately protected to enter certain places or participate in certain activities;

CONSIDERING that that Order in Council also empowers the Minister of Health and Social Services to order any modification or clarification of the measures provided for in the Order;

CONSIDERING that Order in Council 131-2022 dated 9 February 2022 empowers the Minister of Health and Social Services to take any of the measures provided for in subparagraphs 1 to 8 of the first paragraph of section 123 of the Public Health Act;

CONSIDERING that the current situation of the COVID-19 pandemic allows for the easing of certain measures set in place to protect the health of the population, while maintaining certain of the measures necessary to continue that protection;

ORDERS AS FOLLOWS:

THAT the operative part of Order in Council 1173-2021 dated 1 September 2021, amended by Order in Council 1276-2021 dated 24 September 2021, and by Ministerial Orders 2021-067 dated 8 October 2021, 2021-079 and 2021-081 dated 14 November 2021, 2021-082 dated 17 November 2021, 2021-089 dated 19 December 2021, 2022-004 dated 15 January 2022, 2022-007 dated 23 January 2022, 2022-013 dated 5 February 2022 and 2022-015 dated 11 February 2022, be further amended

- (1) by striking out the first paragraph;
- (2) by striking out subparagraphs 4.1 and 4.2 of the fourth paragraph;
- (3) by striking out the sixth paragraph;

THAT the measures set out in this Order take effect on 16 February 2022.

Québec, 15 February 2022

CHRISTIAN DUBÉ
Minister of Health and Social Services

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