

BULLETIN

04-COVID-19

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To: Authorized Employers of Community Peace Officers Level 1
Fish and Wildlife Enforcement Branch
Parks Enforcement Branch
Sheriffs Branch

Re: Outdoor Places - Gatherings by Members of the Same Household

Further to the declaration of a public health emergency, the Chief Medical Officer of Health (CMOH) pursuant to her authority under s. 29(2.1) of the *Public Health Act*, made CMOH Order 07-2020 (Order 07-2020) prohibiting activities that could transmit an infectious agent and taking other steps necessary to lessen the impact of the public health emergency.

Pursuant to Section 13 of the Order 07-2020 the CMOH may, notwithstanding anything else in the Order, exempt in writing persons or classes of persons from the Order.

Pursuant to Section 13 of the Order 07-2020 the CMOH is satisfied that the following class of persons should be exempted from the Order 07-2020:

Members of the same household who gather in an outdoor location

Persons gathering in an outdoor location who are all members of the same household are exempt from section 2 of Order 07-2020.

Therefore, while any gathering in outdoor spaces should be investigated, enforcement action and ticketing is not appropriate when members of the same household are gathered together at a distance of less than 2 meters.

For further clarity, "members of the same household" can include non-family members and live-in or part-time support givers, including but not limited to, child care providers and professionals who perform mental, developmental and physical supports.

Any person who is exempted from section 2 of Order 07-2020 must continue to follow all other applicable sections of Order 07-2020 to protect other Albertans from further exposure to COVID-19.

Thank you.

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