



Directive #2020-D-009

Subject: New Face Covering Requirements

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Expected Action:

In support of G02-2020-D-008 and to further establish the requirements for face coverings, a person who is screened at a non-passenger screening, non-passenger screening - vehicle or pre-board screening checkpoint, must wear a suitable face mask that meets the definition below. Failure to comply with this requirement will result in access to the airport terminal building being denied.

Exceptions:

Passengers and airport workers with respiratory conditions or persons with disabilities where the condition or disability renders the wearing of a face mask not feasible.

Background and Impact:

Reducing the spread of COVID-19 and keeping each other healthy and safe requires multiple actions, including staying home if sick, testing and tracing, proper hand and respiratory hygiene, physical distancing and use of face masks. Earlier this year, the Minister of Transport issued mandatory requirements regarding the use of face masks for airport employees at non-passenger screening-terminal (NPS-t) and non-passenger screening - vehicle (NPS-v) checkpoints. The same requirement applies to passengers at pre-board screening checkpoints. To help provide a safer terminal environment for all

employees and passengers, Toronto Pearson began requiring the use of face masks in all terminal areas in May.

As per the Transport Canada Interim Order, all passengers and non-passengers are expected to supply and wear their own face masks when going through security screening. Acceptable face masks are those that cover the nose and mouth and are properly secured to the head, which include but are not limited to disposable face masks; and reusable cloth face masks (including homemade masks) provided that they meet the definition of a "face mask" below.

Face masks that are **NOT** acceptable include:

- face masks with exhalation valves or vents;
- bandanas and neck gaiters;
- militaristic masks such as gas masks; and
- face coverings that cover the entire face.

With information constantly evolving, coupled with frequent updates from Transport Canada, it is suggested that employees and passengers visit our website for an updated list of face masks and any changes to Transport Canada guidance.

Link: <https://www.torontopearson.com/en/healthy-airport>

***face mask** means any non-medical mask or face covering that is made of at least two layers of tightly woven material such as cotton or linen, is large enough to completely and comfortably cover a person's nose and mouth without gaping and can be secured to a person's head with ties or ear loops.*



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