



Elections Yukon COVID-19 Guidelines for School Council Poll Workers

COVID-19 risks

Elections Yukon is working in close collaboration with the Department of Health and Social Services to ensure that the necessary COVID-19 measures and precautions are in place to protect public health during the election period and to facilitate the right to vote and be a candidate.

The COVID-19 guidelines all target the reduction of two risks:

- respiratory transmission of the virus through the air due to close contact: the most significant risk reduced through a general combination of physical distancing and masking; and
- transmission of the virus via people contaminating objects that contaminate other people: reduced through a general combination of processes and decontamination.

General guidelines for poll workers

- Maintain the appropriate distance at all times, both from your fellow election officers as well as from electors and candidates' representatives.
- If you are not feeling well, let your Returning Officer know ASAP, and then do not come in to work.
- Arrive at least 45 minutes prior to the election to help set-up, hang posters, place markers on the floor etc.
- PPE will be provided. Always wear your mask in election facilities. Ensure you know the proper way to put on and take off your mask. If you are not sure, ask.
- Sanitize your hands regularly. Encourage electors to sanitize their hands prior to handling the poll book by example.
- Use the clipboard provided by Elections Yukon to pass documents back & forth.
- Frequently clean high touch surfaces such as tables and writing instruments.
- Ensure that sanitizers are available at the entrance to the polling place and at your polling station.
- Cough into your elbow.

HOW TO WEAR A MEDICAL MASK SAFELY

[who.int/epi-win](https://www.who.int/epi-win)

Do's →



Wash your hands before touching the mask



Inspect the mask for tears or holes



Find the top side, where the metal piece or stiff edge is



Ensure the colored-side faces outwards



Place the metal piece or stiff edge over your nose



Cover your mouth, nose, and chin



Adjust the mask to your face without leaving gaps on the sides



Avoid touching the mask



Remove the mask from behind the ears or head



Keep the mask away from you and surfaces while removing it



Discard the mask immediately after use preferably into a closed bin



Wash your hands after discarding the mask

Don'ts →



Do not Use a ripped or damp mask



Do not wear the mask only over mouth or nose



Do not wear a loose mask



Do not touch the front of the mask



Do not remove the mask to talk to someone or do other things that would require touching the mask



Do not leave your used mask within the reach of others



Do not re-use the mask

Remember that masks alone cannot protect you from COVID-19. Maintain physical distancing, and sanitize or wash your hands frequently and thoroughly, even while wearing a mask.

HOW TO WEAR A NON-MEDICAL FABRIC MASK SAFELY

[who.int/epi-win](https://www.who.int/epi-win)

Do's →



Clean your hands before touching the mask



Inspect the mask for damage or if dirty



Adjust the mask to your face without leaving gaps on the sides



Cover your mouth, nose, and chin



Avoid touching the mask



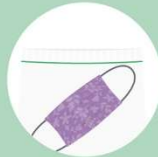
Clean your hands before removing the mask



Remove the mask by the straps behind the ears or head



Pull the mask away from your face



Store the mask in a clean plastic, resealable bag if it is not dirty or wet and you plan to re-use it



Remove the mask by the straps when taking it out of the bag



Wash the mask in soap or detergent, preferably with hot water, at least once a day



Clean your hands after removing the mask

Don'ts →



Do not use a mask that looks damaged



Do not wear a loose mask



Do not wear the mask under the nose



Do not remove the mask where there are people within 1 metre



Do not use a mask that is difficult to breathe through



Do not wear a dirty or wet mask



Do not share your mask with others

A fabric mask can protect others around you. To protect yourself and prevent the spread of COVID-19, maintain physical distancing and sanitize or wash your hands frequently and thoroughly.



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