



Town of Neepawa – April 9, 2020

Statement #11

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Cases in Manitoba	Hospitalized	Deaths	Recoveries
224	11 (5 - intensive care)	3	76

In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the province declared a state of emergency on March 20, which included orders under *The Public Health Act* to help reduce the spread of the virus including:

- Restrictions on public gatherings to 10 or fewer people
- Requiring the closure of non-essential businesses, and
- Enforcement of social distancing measures by businesses and services that remain open including ensuring a two-metre distance is kept between people in the facility of premises.

In response to individuals still not following the order, please be advised that the Manitoba government has announced earlier today an 'Operation Safe Apart' pandemic public health enforcement strategy. A strategy of which includes pre-set fines for individuals or business owners who disregard public health orders.

Fine amounts for breaching these emergency orders will be \$486 for individuals & \$2,542 for businesses.

In the coming weeks, every individual has the ability to play an important role in defending against COVID-19. Please follow the protocols set forth by Manitoba Health. We are not helpless...do your part by maintaining good social distancing practices, good hygiene and sanitation habits and eliminate or reduce unnecessary interactions.

REMINDER: Although it is Easter Weekend and everyone would like to get together...please refrain from doing so and follow the public health orders.

Stay Home!

Reports of non-compliance:

Manitoba Government Inquiry line at (204) 945-3744

or by email at mgi@gov.mb.ca