

NOTICE

PROVINCIAL COURT OF MANITOBA

RE: RESUMPTION OF JUDICIAL JUSTICE OF THE PEACE DOCKETS IN THE COMMUNITIES OF SPLIT LAKE, OXFORD HOUSE, SHAMATTAWA, GODS LAKE, CROSS LAKE, NORWAY HOUSE AND NELSON HOUSE

This is an updated and revised Notice to the October 1, 2021, Notice as a result of the additional COVID-19 health orders issued, which became effective October 4, 2021. The Court in some communities has divided appearance times alphabetically. It is imperative those attending arrive at the assigned time. If you arrive at a court time other than the assigned time, you will be asked to leave and return at the appropriate time. This is to ensure there are not large gatherings of people for court.

October 6, 2021

Since the beginning of the COVID-19 pandemic the Provincial Court of Manitoba has taken proactive preventative measures to protect the health and safety of all court users to help contain the spread of COVID-19 while providing essential judicial services to Manitobans. Further to our earlier Notices, and due to the ongoing pandemic situation in Manitoba and in line with public health directives, we will continue with incremental steps towards re-opening additional court sittings.

The Provincial Court of Manitoba remains closed to members of the general public. Minimizing the number of people attending court in person remains the underlying guiding principle. It is important that all court participants continue to abide by the fundamentals of wearing masks, practicing social distancing, minimizing contacts and following the direction of Sheriff officers upon court attendance.

To date the Judicial Justice of the Peace dockets for the communities of Split Lake, Oxford House, Shamattawa, Gods Lake, Cross Lake, Norway House, and Nelson House have been dealt with remotely without court being held in-person. In an effort to ensure individuals appearing on these dockets have counsel and in order to move matters forward, the Court will return in-person to these locations on the following dates.

October 6, 2021 – Split Lake
10:00 a.m. – All individuals to appear.

October 8, 2021 – Oxford House
All youth matters will appear at 10:00 a.m.
10:00 a.m. – Individuals with last names beginning with A – M.
2:00 p.m. – Individuals with last names beginning with N – Z.

October 12, 2021 – Shamattawa

All youth matters will appear at 10:00 a.m.

10:00 a.m. – Individuals with last names beginning with A – L.

11:30 a.m. – Individuals with last names beginning with M – Q.

1:00 p.m. – Individuals with last names beginning with R.

2:30 p.m. – Individuals with last names beginning with S – Z.

October 13, 2021 – Gods Lake Narrows

All youth matters will appear at 10:00 a.m.

10:00 a.m. – Individuals with last names beginning with A – M.

2:00 p.m. – Individuals with last names beginning with N – Z.

October 14, 2021 – Cross Lake

All youth matters will appear at 10:00 a.m.

10:00 a.m. – Individuals with last names beginning with A – L.

2:00 p.m. – Individuals with last names beginning with M – Z.

October 28, 2021 – Cross Lake

All youth matters will appear at 10:00 a.m.

10:00 a.m. – Individuals with last names beginning with A – L.

11:00 a.m. – Individuals with last names beginning with M.

1:00 p.m. – Individuals with last names beginning with N – R.

2:30 p.m. – Individuals with last names beginning with S – Z.

October 19, 2021 – Nelson House (only individuals with last names beginning with A – L with matters that were remanded from September 22, 2021)

All youth matters will appear at 10:00 a.m.

11:30 a.m. - Individuals with last names beginning with A – F.

1:00 p.m. – Individuals with last names beginning with G – K.

2:30 p.m. - Individuals with last names beginning with L.

November 17, 2021 – Nelson House (only individuals with last names beginning M – Z with matters that were remanded from September 22, 2021)

All youth matters will appear at 10:00 a.m.

10:00 a.m. - Individuals with last names beginning with M – R.

2:00 p.m. - Individuals with last names beginning with S – Z.

October 7, 2021 – Norway House

All parties may appear remotely.

October 13, 2021 – Norway House

All parties may appear remotely.

November 4, 2021 – Norway House (subject to further notice)

All youth matters will appear at 10:00 a.m.

10:00 a.m. – Individuals with last names beginning with A – L.

2:00 p.m. – Individuals with last names beginning with M – Z.

Persons attending court prior to the designated time for their appearance will be instructed by court screening staff to return to their home, and not to enter or remain in the vicinity of the court facility, until the appropriate time, based on the alphabetical placement of their last name.

All persons attending the court facility will be subject to the same COVID-19 screening protocols previously implemented for sittings of the Provincial Judges Court in each community.

The procedure whereby dockets are split alphabetically between the morning and afternoon sittings of the court will continue at each scheduled date for Judicial Justice of the Peace courts in the named communities until further notice.

Courts administration will be endeavouring to publicize within the communities the appearance times for individuals scheduled to appear according to the alphabetical order of their last names.

ISSUED BY:

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**The Honourable Chief Judge Margaret Wiebe
Provincial Court of Manitoba**

DATE: October 6, 2021