

# NOTICE

## PROVINCIAL COURT OF MANITOBA

**RE: COVID-19 RESUMPTIONS AND SOME CONTINUED RESTRICTIONS**

**RETURN TO SITTING FOR TRIALS, DISPOSITIONS AND SPECIAL SITTINGS IN MOST LOCATIONS**

**June 23, 2021**

Since the beginning of the COVID-19 pandemic all levels of Court have 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 on-going pandemic situation in Manitoba and in line with public health directives, we will again take incremental steps towards re-opening. This Notice takes effect on Monday, June 28, 2021 and will remain in place until August 27, 2021.

### **OVERVIEW**

The fundamental principles underlying the re-opening are to minimize the number of people who are attending Court in person to those whose charges are proceeding in a substantive way. It is important all court participants continue to abide by the fundamentals of wearing masks, practicing social distancing and minimizing contacts.

The Court will return to hearing all trials, preliminary inquires and Inquests in the Court Centres. All special sittings and seized matters will proceed. We will return to most circuit locations as listed below. When there are trials set in that circuit location, we will also hear up to five dispositions, in total, in person or remotely. When there are no trials set in a circuit location, we will hear up to ten dispositions, in total, in person or remotely. An accused person and counsel may attend court in person, if the Crown is seeking a custodial sentence, although these dispositions can also proceed remotely if that is available to all the parties. The presiding Judge always retains the discretion to determine if a remote proceeding is appropriate in the circumstances before them.

Accused persons should not be attending in person, unless their matter is proceeding to trial or disposition. In all other cases, the matter should be spoken to by counsel.

The Provincial Court of Manitoba remains open to hear applications with respect to urgent matters. The Court encourages all counsel to consider how and when a matter, including trials, might proceed with all parties appearing remotely.

Child Protection dockets will continue to be held virtually in the court centre, unless there are also trials set on the same day in the Court location, then the Child Protection docket will be held in the community, with the restrictions set out in the notice of

April 16, 2020. This may be subject to a further notice as public health directives change.

**COURT CENTRES: WINNIPEG, PORTAGE LA PRAIRIE, BRANDON, DAUPHIN, THE PAS AND THOMPSON**

Trials: Beginning June 28, 2021, in the major court centres of Winnipeg, Portage la Prairie, Brandon, Dauphin, The Pas and Thompson, the Provincial Court of Manitoba will hear all in custody and out of custody trials and preliminary hearings in person. While the Court remains closed to the general public, those people attending as an accused or a witness may have a maximum of two support people in attendance with them.

For Winnipeg trials and preliminary hearings, counsel are reminded to email the Virtual Assignment Court ([VirtualTrialAssignmentCourt@gov.mb.ca](mailto:VirtualTrialAssignmentCourt@gov.mb.ca)) on the morning of the hearing to let the presiding Judge know whether the matter is proceeding so it can be assigned to a trial courtroom as soon as possible. The mailbox is monitored starting at 9:15 a.m. everyday. We remind counsel (and your witnesses) not to gather outside courtroom 302 while awaiting assignment to a trial courtroom. Counsel and their clients can wait anywhere in the courthouse complex as the assignment of the courtroom is done via email.

For all Court centres, we remind counsel and witnesses attending court to adhere strictly to the COVID protocols and to maintain social distancing at all times.

**Bail Applications and Dispositions**

Bail applications and in custody disposition courts will continue to proceed, with accused persons appearing by telephone or video conference, if available. All bails and dispositions will proceed on the presumption all parties appear remotely, including support people.

Out of custody dispositions will proceed with all parties appearing remotely. In a case where custody is being sought the accused and counsel can appear in person, but the Court continues to encourage counsel to consider and request the matter proceed with all or some of the parties appearing remotely. The Court will consider requests for an accused to appear virtually if all parties consent, even where a custodial sentence may be imposed.

The preferred platform for dispositions is video-conferencing where available. Counsel are asked to contact the appropriate Disposition/Trial Coordinators to request a video conferencing platform, if their client can appear in that fashion. It is expected counsel will provide an accurate time estimate of the disposition. Where video conferencing is not available for any of the parties or the Court, the parties can appear by telephone. It is incumbent on counsel to ensure they are on a phone line where they can communicate clearly with the court, and where there is no background noise or

interruptions. The presiding Judge retains the discretion to determine if the matter is appropriate to proceed remotely.

In each regional Court Centre, up to five in person or remote dispositions can be scheduled on a docket. Up to two support people can attend with the accused.

If counsel are asking for an exception and requesting in person appearances for bails or non-custodial dispositions, judicial permission must be sought by emailing the Disposition/Trial Coordinator at least two days in advance. The position of all parties must be included in the request. The Disposition Coordinator will forward the request to the presiding Judge or an administrative Judge, if no Judge is yet assigned. The reasons why counsel feel an in person appearance is **necessary** should be set out clearly in the email. If the parties cannot appear remotely, or if permission to attend in person is not granted by a Judge, the matter will be adjourned.

#### Docket Appearances

All other criminal dockets in the major court centres will be conducted virtually. Accused persons are not allowed to attend in person for virtual dockets.

Remote appearances by accused persons can occur by telephone, or where available, video-conference.

### **WINNIPEG**

#### Provincial Court Counter (PCC) Dockets and Other Intake Dockets

The Provincial Court Counter Dockets and all other dockets will continue to be held virtually. No one is allowed to attend in person. For Provincial Court Counter Dockets in Winnipeg, those without counsel will be asked to phone into court to address their matter by calling either 204-948-3138 or 204-945-4612 between 8:30 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. to speak to a Staff Justice of the Peace.

#### Gun Prohibition Court

July 12 and August 9, 2021 dockets will be administratively adjourned to September 13, 2021.

#### Legal Aid Administrative Court

July 13 and August 10, 2021 dockets will proceed virtually, all parties are to appear remotely.

#### Private Prosecution Court

July 5, 19, August 16 and 30, 2021 dockets will be administratively adjourned to September 20, 2021. Any peace bonds that can be dealt with remotely should be set by contacting the Disposition Coordinator and set for a virtual appearance.

### **CHILD PROTECTION**

Child Protection proceedings are considered to be a priority in the essential services provided by the Court during this time and therefore Child Protection dockets from the courts circuit points will occur in the Court Centres of Winnipeg, Thompson, The Pas, Dauphin and Portage la Prairie, on the same date the child protection docket was to take place in the circuit court. The practices set out in our Notice of April 16, 2020 will continue. Counsel may attend but are encouraged to appear by telephone for the Child Protection dockets.

Child Protection, *Family Maintenance Act* and Private Guardianship trials will proceed as scheduled. Counsel are encouraged to contact the appropriate court centre to arrange teleconference case management meetings to discuss alternative options. The Court remains available to hear applications with respect to urgent matters, especially where those can be arranged with the parties attending remotely.

### **PROTECTION ORDERS**

Protection Order applications will continue to be heard by Judicial Justices of the Peace.

### **CASE MANAGEMENT CONFERENCES**

Case Management Conferences will continue as scheduled, but will be conducted by videoconference where available, or by teleconference.

### **PROVINCIAL OFFENCES COURT**

The Provincial Offences Court Office at 373 Broadway Avenue, Winnipeg, will remain closed to the public up to and including August 27, 2021. *Provincial Offences Act* matters (Winnipeg and Regional) including *Highway Traffic Act* matters scheduled for an in person **hearing** up to and including August 27, 2021 throughout Manitoba will be adjourned without you appearing and rescheduled to a later date. Notification of the new date and time will be sent to you. All matters that have been scheduled to proceed virtually will proceed as scheduled. The court office at 373 Broadway remains open to accept fine payments.

You must still contact the Court by telephone or email at [POC@gov.mb.ca](mailto:POC@gov.mb.ca) between the dates and before the final response date on your ticket if you receive one. The court office remains open to accept fine payments only if other remote options cannot be utilized. This suspension includes all *Provincial Offences Act* matters, including *Highway Traffic Act* matters scheduled for hearing in Winnipeg as well as those scheduled for:

Selkirk – July 14, 2021

Brandon – July 28, 2021

Selkirk – August 18, 2021

Brandon- August 25, 2021

Some Highway Traffic Act matters will proceed virtually. If your matter is to proceed virtually, you will be contacted directly by the court with your date and time.

### **CIRCUIT LOCATIONS**

Beginning June 28, 2021 all special sittings, in custody and out of custody trials/preliminary hearings will proceed in the circuit locations as identified in the list below. In the circuit locations where court can proceed with trials and special sittings, it has been determined the facilities have the space capacity and the reduced number of people attending Court to allow the COVID-19 health protocols, to be implemented so the matters can proceed safely and within the public health guidelines.

The circuit court locations continue to be closed to the general public and are only open to those people necessary to the proceedings before the courts. Those people attending as an accused or a witness may have a maximum of two support people in attendance with them. The only people in the court facility should be those who are proceeding to trial or disposition, all others will have to wait outside or any other space where social distance can be accommodated, while they are waiting for their matter to proceed before the Court.

Sheriff Officers will be assuming significant extra duties related to maintaining and enforcing COVID-19 safety protocols. As a result, it is necessary that the only people transported, in custody, are those people who will have trials proceeding in these communities. If a matter resolves in advance, it should proceed to disposition in the nearest open court centre and the transport should be cancelled. It is imperative that counsel communicate in advance regarding the trial proceeding. Counsel must confirm with Sheriff Services at least 48 hours in advance that the transport of the person for court is required. If such confirmation is not received by Sheriff Services, the person will NOT be transported to the community, to prevent the prisoner from being isolated for up to 14 days.

In custody trials and dispositions from circuit locations not yet opened for in person trials, can be transferred to the related open Court Centre where possible.

### **Virtual Dockets**

Virtual dockets will be held for all circuit locations as listed below. A virtual docket is intended to be an opportunity for counsel to discuss or review the status of the matter, however accused persons should **not** be attending court in person. Defence counsel are expected to have made every effort to contact their client and discuss their case prior to the court proceeding. If a matter can be dealt with remotely, the matter can proceed.

Please note, any in-custody accused who is transported to attend for a matter outside a court centre (Winnipeg, The Pas, Portage la Prairie, Brandon or Thompson) or if they share transport with a new admission or someone from another correctional centre, will have to isolate for 14 days, upon their return to the correctional centre. A further

exception has now been announced by Corrections for those who are 14 days past being fully vaccinated, these persons will have to isolate for 48 hours, and if they are asymptomatic after a negative test, their isolation period will end.

### Number of Dispositions

This notice sets out the maximum number of dispositions that can be set in order to reduce the number of people attending Court. This does not eliminate the obligation on counsel to consider the length of each disposition and given that length, the total number of dispositions that can reasonably be set at each court sitting.

In those locations where trials are set, up to five in person or remote dispositions can be set. In those locations where trials are not set, up to ten dispositions, in person or remotely, can proceed on the docket. If a trial is set in a circuit location after the release date of this notice (where no trials were previously set on the date), then the number of dispositions should be reduced to five dispositions. In all other cases, as noted below, matters will be addressed during the virtual dockets or adjourned to the next sitting of that court, and may be subject to further notices based on changes to public health directives.

### ALTONA

June 28, 2021 The docket will be heard virtually in Altona. All parties may appear remotely. Counsel may proceed with up to ten dispositions on the docket, in person or remotely.

July 26, 2021 The docket will be heard virtually in Altona. All parties may appear remotely. Counsel may proceed with up to ten dispositions on the docket, in person or remotely.

August 23, 2021 The docket will heard virtually in Altona. All parties may appear remotely. Trials will proceed as scheduled in Altona. A maximum of five in person or remote dispositions can be scheduled.

### ARBORG

July 5, 2021 The docket will be heard virtually in Arborg. All parties may appear remotely. The trials will proceed as scheduled in Arborg. A maximum of five in person or remote dispositions can be scheduled.

July 12, 2021 The special sitting will proceed as scheduled in Arborg.

August 9, 2021 The docket will be heard virtually in Arborg. All parties may appear remotely. Counsel may proceed with up to ten dispositions on the docket, in person or remotely.

## **ASHERN**

July 14, 2021 The docket will be heard virtually in Ashern. All parties may appear remotely. The trials will proceed as scheduled. A maximum of five in-person or remote dispositions can be scheduled.

August 11, 2021 The docket will be heard virtually in Ashern. All parties may appear remotely. The trials will proceed as scheduled. A maximum of five in person or remote dispositions can also be scheduled.

## **BEAUSEJOUR**

July 5, 2021 (LDB) The docket will be heard virtually in Beausejour. All parties may appear remotely. Counsel may proceed with up to ten dispositions on the docket, in person or remotely.

July 6, 2021 The docket will be heard virtually in Beausejour. All parties may appear remotely. Counsel may proceed with up to ten dispositions on the docket, in person or remotely.

July 13, 2021 The docket will be heard virtually in Beausejour. All parties may appear remotely. Trials will proceed as scheduled. A maximum of five in-person or remote dispositions can be scheduled on this date.

July 19, 22, 23, August 4, 5, 13, 20, 27, 2021 special sittings will proceed as scheduled in Beausejour.

July 20, 2021 The Child Protection docket will proceed in Beausejour. Parties are asked to appear virtually wherever possible. Trials will proceed as scheduled. A maximum of five in-person or remote dispositions can be scheduled on this date.

July 30, 2021 The special sitting will proceed as scheduled in Beausejour.

August 3, 2021 The docket will be heard virtually in Beausejour. All parties may appear remotely. Trials will proceed as scheduled. A maximum of five in-person or remote dispositions can be scheduled on this date.

August 9, 2021 (LDB) The docket will be heard virtually in Beausejour. All parties may appear remotely. Counsel may proceed with up to ten dispositions on the docket, in person or remotely.

August 10, 2021 The docket will be heard virtually in Beausejour. All parties may appear remotely. Trials will proceed as scheduled. A maximum of five in-person or remote dispositions can be scheduled on this date.

August 17, 2021 The Child Protection dockets will proceed virtually in Beausejour. Parties are asked to appear virtually wherever possible. Trials will proceed as scheduled. A maximum of five in-person or remote dispositions can be scheduled on this date.

August 30 and 31, 2021 The two day child protection trial will proceed in Beausejour as scheduled.

### **BERENS RIVER**

July 13, 2021 The docket will heard virtually in Berens River. All parties may appear remotely. Counsel may proceed with up to ten dispositions on the docket, in person or remotely.

August 10, 2021 The docket will heard virtually in Berens River. All parties may appear remotely. Counsel may proceed with up to ten dispositions on the docket, in person or remotely.

### **BLOODVEIN**

July 14, 2021 The docket will be heard virtually in Bloodvein. All parties may appear remotely. The trials will proceed as scheduled. A maximum of five in-person or remote dispositions can be scheduled on this date.

August 11, 2021 The docket will be heard virtually in Bloodvein. All parties may appear remotely. The trials will proceed as scheduled. A maximum of five in-person r remote dispositions can be scheduled on this date.

### **BROCHET**

August 6, 2021 We anticipate being able to return to sitting in Brochet in August but this will be subject to a later notice after further consultation with the community's leadership.

### **CAMPERVILLE**

July 22, 2021 The docket will be heard virtually in Camperville. All parties may appear remotely. Counsel may proceed with up to ten dispositions on the docket, in person or remotely.

### **CHURCHILL**

No dates are set in July or August, 2021.

### **CRANBERRY PORTAGE**

No dates are set in July or August, 2021.

### **CROSS LAKE**

July 15 and 29, 2021 The JJP docket will be heard virtually in Thompson. All parties may appear remotely.

July 19, 2021 The Child Protection and family dockets will be heard virtually in Thompson. All parties may appear remotely.

We anticipate being able to return to sitting in Cross Lake in July and August but this will be subject to a later notice after further consultation with the community's leadership. If we are able to return to the community we anticipate hearing the following:

July 26, 2021 The docket will be heard virtually in Cross Lake. All parties may appear remotely. The trials will proceed as scheduled. A maximum of five in-person or remote dispositions can be scheduled on this date.

August 9, 2021 The docket will be heard virtually in Cross Lake. All parties may appear remotely. The trials will proceed as scheduled. A maximum of five in-person or remote dispositions can be scheduled on this date.

August 12 and 26, 2021 The JJP docket will be heard virtually in Thompson. All parties may appear remotely.

August 16, 2021 The Child Protection and family dockets will be heard virtually in Thompson. All parties may appear remotely.

August 23, 2021 The docket will be heard virtually in Cross Lake. All parties may appear remotely. The trials will proceed as scheduled. A maximum of five in-person or remote dispositions can be scheduled on this date.

### **EASTERVILLE**

July 21 and August 24, 2021 The docket will be heard virtually in Easterville. All parties may appear remotely. The trials will proceed as scheduled. A maximum of five in-person or remote dispositions can be scheduled on this date.

### **EMERSON**

July 8 and 21, 2021 The docket will proceed virtually in Emerson. All parties may appear remotely. The trials will proceed as scheduled. A maximum of five in-person or remote dispositions can be scheduled on this date. The child protection docket will proceed in Emerson, with parties appearing virtually wherever possible.

August 12 and 26, 2021 The docket will proceed virtually in Emerson, all parties may appear remotely. The trials will proceed as scheduled. A maximum of five in-person or remote dispositions can be scheduled on this date.

August 18, 2021 The docket will proceed virtually in Emerson, all parties may appear remotely. The trials will proceed as scheduled. A maximum of five in-person or remote dispositions can be scheduled on this date. The child protection docket will proceed in Emerson, with parties appearing virtually wherever possible.

### **FLIN FLON**

July 15 and August 5, 2021 The docket will proceed virtually in Flin Flon. All parties may appear remotely. Counsel may proceed with up to ten dispositions on the docket, in person or remotely.

July 20 and August 12, 2021 The docket will proceed virtually in Flin Flon, all parties may appear remotely. The trials will proceed as scheduled in Flin Flon. A maximum of five dispositions can proceed in person or remotely on this date.

### **GARDEN HILL**

July 28, 2021 The docket will proceed virtually in Winnipeg. All parties may appear remotely.

July 29, 2021 The Child Protection docket will be heard virtually in Winnipeg, all parties may appear remotely.

August 25 and 26, 2021 We anticipate being able to return to sitting in Garden Hill in August but this will be subject to a later notice after further consultation with the community's leadership.

### **GILLAM**

July 6 and August 3, 2021 The docket will proceed virtually in Gillam all parties may appear remotely. The trials will proceed as scheduled in Gillam. A maximum of five dispositions can proceed in person or remotely on this date.

### **GIMLI**

July 19 and August 16, 2021 The docket will be heard virtually in Gimli. All parties may appear remotely. Counsel may proceed with up to ten dispositions on the docket, in person or remotely.

July 20 and August 17, 2021 The docket will proceed virtually in Gimli. Trials will proceed as scheduled in Gimli. A maximum of five in person or remote dispositions may be scheduled.

August 30 & 31, 2021 The special sitting trial will proceed in Gimli as scheduled.

### **GODS LAKE**

July 14 and August 11, 2021 The JJP docket will be heard virtually in Thompson, all parties may appear remotely.

July 20, 2021 The docket will be heard virtually in Thompson, all parties may appear remotely.

August 17, 2021 We anticipate being able to return to sitting in God's Lake in August but this will be subject to a later notice after further consultation with the community's leadership.

### **GODS RIVER**

August 18, 2021 We anticipate being able to return to sitting in God's River in August but this will be subject to a later notice after further consultation with the community's leadership.

### **GRAND RAPIDS**

July 29 and August 26, 2021 The dockets will proceed virtually in Grand Rapids all parties may appear remotely. The trials will proceed as scheduled in Grand Rapids. A maximum of five in person or remote dispositions may be scheduled.

### **KILLARNEY**

July 13, 2021 The docket will proceed virtually in Killarney, all parties may appear remotely. The trials will proceed as scheduled. A maximum of five in person or remote dispositions may be scheduled.

### **LAC BROCHET**

July 30, 2021 The docket will proceed virtually in Thompson. All parties may appear remotely.

August 27, 2021 We anticipate being able to return to sitting in Lac Brochet in August but this will be subject to a later notice after further consultation with the community's leadership.

### **LEAF RAPIDS**

July 7, 2021 The docket will proceed virtually in Leaf Rapids. All parties may appear remotely. The trials will proceed as scheduled in Leaf Rapids. A maximum of five dispositions can proceed in person or remotely on this date.

August 4, 2021 The docket will be heard virtually in Leaf Rapids. All parties may appear remotely. Counsel may proceed with up to ten dispositions on the docket, in person or remotely.

### **LITTLE GRAND RAPIDS**

July 7, 2021 The docket will proceed virtually in Little Grand Rapids. All parties may appear remotely. The trials will proceed as scheduled in Little Grand Rapids. A maximum of five dispositions can proceed in person or remotely on this date.

July 12, 14, 21, 2021 The special sitting trials will proceed as scheduled.

July 28, 2021 The docket will proceed virtually in Little Grand Rapids. All parties may appear remotely. The trials will proceed as scheduled in Little Grand Rapids. A maximum of five dispositions can proceed in person or remotely on this date.

August 25 2021 The docket will proceed virtually in Little Grand Rapids. All parties may appear remotely. The trials will proceed as scheduled in Little Grand Rapids. A maximum of five dispositions can proceed in person or remotely on this date.

### **LYNN LAKE**

July 27, 2021 The docket will proceed virtually in Lynn Lake. All parties may appear remotely. The trials will proceed as scheduled in Lynn Lake. A maximum of five dispositions can proceed in person or remotely on this date.

August 24, 2021 The docket will proceed virtually in Lynn Lake. All parties may appear remotely. The trials will proceed as scheduled in Lynn Lake. A maximum of five dispositions can proceed in person or remotely on this date.

### **LUNDAR**

July 15, 2021 The docket will proceed virtually in Lundar. All parties may appear remotely. The trials will proceed as scheduled in Lundar. A maximum of five dispositions can proceed in person or remotely on this date.

August 19, 2021 The docket will proceed virtually in Lundar. All parties may appear remotely. The trials will proceed as scheduled in Lundar. A maximum of five dispositions can proceed in person or remotely on this date.

### **MINNEDOSA**

July 6, 20, 27 2021 The docket will proceed virtually in Minnedosa. All parties may appear remotely. The trials will proceed as scheduled in Minnedosa. A maximum of five dispositions can proceed in person or remotely on this date.

August 10, 31, 2021 The docket will proceed virtually in Minnedosa. All parties may appear remotely. The trials will proceed as scheduled in Minnedosa. A maximum of five dispositions can proceed in person or remotely on this date.

August 17, 2021 The docket will be heard virtually in Minnedosa. All parties may appear remotely. Counsel may proceed with up to ten dispositions on the docket, in person or remotely.

### **MOOSE LAKE**

July 6, 2021 The docket will proceed virtually in Moose Lake. All parties may appear remotely. The trials will proceed as scheduled in Moose Lake. A maximum of five dispositions can proceed in person or remotely on this date.

August 10, 2021 The docket will proceed virtually in Moose Lake. All parties may appear remotely. The trials will proceed as scheduled in Moose Lake. A maximum of five dispositions can proceed in person or remotely on this date.

### **MORDEN**

June 29 and 30, 2021 Special sitting trial dates will proceed as scheduled in Morden.

July 13, 27, 2021 The dockets will be heard virtually in Morden. All parties may appear remotely. Counsel may proceed with up to ten dispositions on the docket, in person or remotely.

July 6 and 20, 2021 Trials will proceed as scheduled in Morden. Five dispositions can proceed in person or remotely on these dates.

July 14, 15, 16, 19, 2021 Special sitting trial dates will proceed as scheduled in Morden.

August 10, 24, 2021 The dockets will be heard virtually in Morden. All parties may appear remotely. Counsel may proceed with up to ten dispositions on the docket, in person or remotely.

August 3 and 17, 2021 Trials will proceed as scheduled in Morden. Five dispositions can proceed in person or remotely on these dates.

### **NELSON HOUSE**

July 21 and August 18, 2021 The JJP dockets will be heard virtually in Thompson, all parties may appear remotely.

We anticipate being able to return to sitting in Nelson House in July and August but this will be subject to a later notice after further consultation with the community's leadership. If we are able to return to the community we anticipate hearing the following:

July 28, 2021 The docket will proceed virtually in Nelson House. All parties may appear remotely. The trials will proceed as scheduled in Nelson House. A maximum of five dispositions can proceed in person or remotely on this date.

August 25, 2021 The docket will proceed virtually in Nelson House. All parties may appear remotely. The trials will proceed as scheduled in Nelson House. A maximum of five dispositions can proceed in person or remotely on this date.

### **NORWAY HOUSE**

July 8, 22, August 5, 19, 2021 JJP dockets will appear virtually in Thompson. All parties may appear remotely.

July 5, 29, August 12, 26, 30, 2021 The docket will proceed virtually in Norway House. The trials will proceed as scheduled. A maximum of five dispositions can proceed in person or remotely on this date.

July 19 and August 16, 2021 The Child Protection dockets and Family dockets will be heard virtually in Thompson, all parties may appear remotely.

### **OXFORD HOUSE**

July 16 and August 13, 2021 JJP dockets will be heard virtually in Thompson. All parties may appear remotely.

We anticipate going back in July but there will be a later notice after consultation with community leadership. If we are able to return, we will hear the following matters:

July 22, 2021 The docket will be heard virtually in Oxford House. All parties may appear remotely. The trials will proceed as scheduled. A maximum of five in-person or remote dispositions can be scheduled on this date.

August 19, 2021 The docket will be heard virtually in Oxford House. All parties may appear remotely. The trials will proceed as scheduled. A maximum of five in-person or remote dispositions can be scheduled on this date.

### **PAUINGASSI**

July 29, 2021 The docket will proceed virtually in Pauingassi. All parties may appear remotely. The trials will proceed as scheduled in Pauingassi. A maximum of five dispositions can proceed in person or remotely on this date.

### **PEGUIS**

July 5, 2021 The trials will proceed as scheduled in Peguis. A maximum of five dispositions can proceed in person or remotely on this date. The child protection docket will proceed in Peguis, with parties appearing virtually wherever possible.

July 6 and July 27, 2021 The dockets will be heard virtually in Peguis. All parties may appear virtually. Counsel may proceed with up to ten dispositions on the docket, in person or remotely.

July 28, 2021 The trials will proceed as scheduled in Peguis. A maximum of five dispositions can proceed in person or remotely on this date.

August 9, 2021 The trials will proceed as scheduled in Peguis. A maximum of five in-person dispositions can be scheduled on this date. The child protection docket will proceed in Peguis with parties appearing virtually wherever possible.

August 10 and 17, 2021 The dockets will be heard virtually in Peguis. All parties may appear virtually. Counsel may proceed with up to ten dispositions on the docket, in person or remotely.

### **PINE FALLS**

July 5<sup>th</sup>, 2021 The Child Protection and Youth docket will be heard virtually in Winnipeg. All parties may appear remotely.

July 7 and 21, 2021 The dockets will be heard virtually in Pine Falls. All parties may appear remotely. Counsel may proceed with up to ten dispositions on the docket, in person or remotely.

July 8, 22, 28, 2021 The trials will proceed as scheduled in Pine Falls. A maximum of five dispositions can be proceed in person or remotely on these dates.

July 9, July 23, July 26, 29 and 30, 2021 Special sitting trial dates will proceed as scheduled in Pine Falls.

August 3, 2021 The Child Protection and Youth dockets will proceed virtually in Winnipeg. All parties may appear remotely.

August 4 and 18, 2021 The dockets will be heard virtually in Pine Falls. All parties may appear remotely. Counsel may proceed with up to ten dispositions on the docket, in person or remotely.

August 5, 19, 25, 2021 Trials will proceed as scheduled in Pine Falls. A maximum of five in person or remote dispositions can proceed on these dates.

August 13 and 16, 2021 The special sitting trials will proceed as scheduled in Pine Falls.

August 20, 23, 24, 2021 The Child Protection trial set will proceed as scheduled in Pine Falls.

### **POPLAR RIVER**

August 9, 2021 We anticipate being able to return to sitting in Poplar River in August but this will be subject to a later notice after further consultation with the community's leadership.

### **PUKATAWAGAN**

July 14, 2021 The docket will be heard virtually in The Pas. All parties may appear remotely.

July 27, 2021 The Child Protection docket will be heard virtually in the Pas. All parties may appear remotely.

August 18, 2021 We anticipate being able to return to sitting in Pukatawagan in August but this will be subject to a later notice after further consultation with the community's leadership.

August 31, 2021 The Child Protection docket will be heard virtually in The Pas. All parties may appear remotely. This is subject to change in a later notice, if we are able to return to Court in the community.

## **ROBLIN**

July 15, 2021 The docket will proceed virtually in Roblin. All parties may appear remotely. The trials will proceed as scheduled in Roblin. A maximum of five dispositions can proceed in person or remotely on this date.

August 19, 2021 The docket will proceed virtually in Roblin. All parties may appear remotely. The trials will proceed as scheduled in Roblin. A maximum of five dispositions can proceed in person or remotely on this date.

August 18 and 26, 2021 special sitting trials in Roblin will proceed as scheduled.

## **ROSSBURN**

July 21, 2021 The docket will be heard virtually in Rossburn. All parties may appear remotely. The trial will proceed as scheduled. A maximum of five dispositions can proceed in person or remotely on this date.

August 18, 2021 The docket will be heard virtually in Rossburn. All parties may appear remotely. The trial will proceed as scheduled. A maximum of five dispositions can proceed in person or remotely on this date.

## **RUSSELL**

August 25, 2021 The docket will be heard virtually in Russell. All parties may appear remotely. The trial will proceed as scheduled. A maximum of five dispositions can proceed in person or remotely on this date.

## **SANDY BAY (Court sits in Amaranth)**

July 20, 2021 and August 17, 2021 The dockets will be heard virtually in Amaranth. All parties may appear virtually. Counsel may proceed with up to ten dispositions on the docket, in person or remotely.

July 27 and August 24, 2021 The docket will proceed virtually in Amaranth. All parties may appear remotely. The trials will proceed as scheduled in Amaranth. A maximum of five dispositions can proceed in person or remotely on this date.

## **SELKIRK**

June 28, July 26, August 23, 2021 These federal dockets will proceed virtually in Winnipeg. All parties may appear remotely.

June 29, 2021 Trial will proceed as scheduled in Selkirk. A maximum of five dispositions can proceed in person or remotely on this date.

June 30, 2021 Special sitting trial date will proceed as scheduled.

July 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, 2021 The dockets will be heard virtually in Selkirk. All parties may appear virtually. Counsel may proceed with up to ten dispositions on the docket, in person or remotely.

July 6, 13, 20, 27, 2021 Trials will proceed as scheduled in Selkirk. A maximum of five dispositions can proceed in person or remotely on these dates.

July 2 and 5, 2021 Special sitting trial will proceed as scheduled in Selkirk.

August 6, 13, 20, 27, 2021 The dockets will be heard virtually in Selkirk. All parties may appear virtually. Counsel may proceed with up to ten dispositions on the docket, in person or remotely.

August 3, 10, 17, 24, 31, 2021 Trials will proceed as scheduled in Selkirk. A maximum of five dispositions can proceed in person or remotely on these dates.

August 4, 11, 16, 27, 2021 Special sitting trial dates will proceed as scheduled in Selkirk.

August 25 and 26, 2021 Sentencing hearing will proceed as scheduled.

### **SHAMATTAWA**

July 13 and August 10, 2021 JJP dockets will be heard virtually in Thompson. All parties may appear remotely.

July 27, 2021 The docket will proceed virtually in Thompson. All parties may appear remotely.

August 24, 2021 We anticipate being able to return to sitting in Shamattawa in August but this will be subject to a later notice after further consultation with the community's leadership.

### **SIOUX VALLEY**

July 14, 2021 The docket will proceed virtually in Sioux Valley. All parties may appear remotely. The trials will proceed as scheduled in Sioux Valley. A maximum of five dispositions can proceed in person or remotely on this date.

August 11, 2021 The docket will proceed virtually in Sioux Valley. All parties may appear remotely. Counsel may proceed with up to ten dispositions on the docket, in person or remotely.

### **SNOW LAKE**

No court sittings set for July and August.

### **SOUTH INDIAN LAKE**

June 28, 2021 The docket will proceed virtually in South Indian Lake. All parties may appear remotely. The trials will proceed as scheduled in South Indian Lake. A maximum of five dispositions can proceed in person or remotely on this date.

July 26, 2021 The docket will proceed virtually in South Indian Lake. All parties may appear remotely. The trials will proceed as scheduled in South Indian Lake. A maximum of five dispositions can proceed in person or remotely on this date.

August 23, 2021 The docket will proceed virtually in South Indian Lake. All parties may appear remotely. The trials will proceed as scheduled in South Indian Lake. A maximum of five dispositions can proceed in person or remotely on this date.

### **SPLIT LAKE**

July 7 and August 4, 2021 JJP dockets will be heard virtually in Thompson, all parties may appear remotely.

July 19, 2021 The docket will be heard remotely in Thompson. All parties may appear remotely.

August 16, 2021 We anticipate being able to return to sitting in Split Lake in August but this will be subject to a later notice after further consultation with the community's leadership.

### **ST. BONIFACE**

July 9, 2021 The docket will proceed virtually in St. Boniface. All parties may appear remotely. The trials will proceed as scheduled in St. Boniface. A maximum of five dispositions can proceed in person or remotely on this date.

August 13, 2021 The docket will proceed virtually in St. Boniface. All parties may appear remotely. The trials will proceed as scheduled in St. Boniface. A maximum of five dispositions can proceed in person or remotely on this date.

### **ST. PIERRE**

June 28, 2021 The docket will proceed virtually in St. Pierre. All parties may appear remotely. The trials will proceed as scheduled in St. Pierre. A maximum of five dispositions can proceed in person or remotely on this date.

July 12, 2021 Special Sitting trial will proceed as scheduled in St. Pierre.

July 27, The docket will proceed virtually in St. Pierre. All parties may appear remotely. The trials will proceed as scheduled in St. Pierre. A maximum of five dispositions can proceed in person or remotely on this date.

August 23 and 24, 2021 The dockets will proceed virtually in St. Pierre. All parties may appear remotely. The trials will proceed as scheduled in St. Pierre. A maximum of five dispositions can proceed in person or remotely on this date.

### **ST. MARTIN**

We anticipate being able to return to sitting in St. Martin in July and August but this will be subject to a later notice after further consultation with the community's leadership.

July 21, 2021 The docket will be heard virtually in St. Martin. All parties may appear remotely. Counsel may proceed with up to ten dispositions on the docket, in person or remotely.

July 22, 2021 The trials will proceed as scheduled in St. Martin. A maximum of five in-person or remote dispositions can be scheduled on this date. The Child Protection docket will proceed in St. Martin, with parties appearing virtually wherever possible.

August 18, 2021 The docket will be heard virtually in St. Martin. All parties may appear remotely. Counsel may proceed with up to ten dispositions on the docket, in person or remotely.

August 19, 2021 The trials will proceed as scheduled in St. Martin. A maximum of five in-person or remote dispositions can be scheduled on this date. The Child Protection docket will proceed in St. Martin with parties appearing virtually wherever possible.

August 20, 23, 2021 Trials will proceed as scheduled in St. Martin. A maximum of five dispositions can proceed in person or remotely on these dates.

August 6, 11, 31, 2021 Trials will proceed as scheduled in St. Martin. A maximum of five dispositions can proceed in person or remotely on these dates.

### **ST. THERESA POINT**

July 7, 2021 The docket will proceed in St. Theresa Point. All parties may appear remotely. Counsel may proceed with up to ten dispositions on the docket, in person or remotely.

July 8, 2021 The docket will proceed virtually in St. Theresa Point. All parties may appear remotely. The trials will proceed as scheduled. Counsel may proceed with up to five in person or remote dispositions.

August 11, 2021 The docket will proceed in St. Theresa Point. All parties may appear remotely. Counsel may proceed with up to ten dispositions on the docket, in person or remotely.

August 12, 2021 The docket will proceed virtually in St. Theresa Point. All parties may appear remotely. The trials will proceed as scheduled. Counsel may proceed with up to five in person or remote dispositions.

### **STEINBACH**

July 2, 2021 The docket will be heard virtually in Steinbach. All parties may appear remotely. Counsel may proceed with up to ten dispositions on the docket, in person or remotely.

July 8, 15, 22, 29, 2021 The docket will be heard virtually in Steinbach. All parties may appear remotely. Counsel may proceed with up to ten dispositions on the docket, in person or remotely.

July 9, 2021 The Child Protection docket will proceed virtually in Steinbach. All parties may appear remotely. The trials will proceed as scheduled in Steinbach. A maximum of five dispositions can proceed in person or remotely on this date.

July 12, 2021 The special sitting trial will proceed as scheduled in Steinbach.

July 16, 23, 30, 2021 The docket will proceed virtually in Steinbach. All parties may appear remotely. The trials will proceed as scheduled in Steinbach. A maximum of five dispositions can proceed in person or remotely on these dates.

August 5, 12, 19, 26, 2021 The docket will be heard virtually in Steinbach. All parties may appear remotely. Counsel may proceed with up to ten dispositions on the docket, in person or remotely.

August 6, 20, 27, 2021 The docket will proceed virtually in Steinbach. All parties may appear remotely. The trials will proceed as scheduled in Steinbach. A maximum of five dispositions can proceed in person or remotely on these dates.

August 13, 2021 The Child Protection docket will proceed virtually in Steinbach. All parties may appear remotely. The trials will proceed as scheduled in Steinbach. A maximum of five dispositions can proceed in person or remotely on this date.

August 30, 31, 2021 The Special sitting trial will proceed as scheduled in Steinbach.

### **STONEWALL**

June 28 and 29, 2021 Trials will proceed as scheduled in Stonewall. A maximum of five dispositions can proceed in person on this date.

July 2, 2021 The Special sitting trials will proceed as scheduled in Stonewall.

July 19, 2021 The docket will proceed virtually in Stonewall. All parties may appear remotely. Counsel may proceed with up to ten dispositions on the docket, in person or remotely.

July 26, 2021 Trials will proceed as scheduled in Stonewall. A maximum of five dispositions can proceed in person or remotely on this date.

August 23, 2021 The docket will proceed virtually in Stonewall. All parties may appear remotely. Counsel may proceed with up to ten dispositions on the docket, in person or remotely.

August 30, 2021 Trials will proceed as scheduled in Stonewall. A maximum of five dispositions can proceed in person or remotely on this date.

### **SWAN RIVER**

July 7 and 21, 2021 The dockets will be heard virtually in Swan River. All parties may appear remotely. Counsel may proceed with up to ten dispositions on the docket, in person or remotely.

July 14, 19, 28, 2021 Trials will proceed as scheduled in Swan River. A maximum of five dispositions can proceed in person or remotely on these dates.

August 4, 18, 2021 The docket will proceed virtually in Swan River. All parties may appear remotely. Counsel may proceed with up to ten dispositions on the docket, in person or remotely.

August 9, 25, 2021 Trials will proceed as scheduled in Swan River. A maximum of five dispositions can proceed in person or remotely on these dates.

August 11, 16, 2021 If trials are set for these dates, the trials can proceed as scheduled in Swan River. A maximum of five dispositions can proceed in person or remotely on these dates. If no trials are set, counsel may proceed with up to ten dispositions on the docket, in person or remotely.

### **VIRDEN**

June 30, 2021 Special sitting trials will proceed as scheduled in Virden.

July 2 and 23, 2021 The docket will proceed virtually in Virden. All parties may appear remotely. Counsel may proceed with up to ten dispositions on the docket, in person or remotely.

July 16, 2021 The docket will proceed virtually in Virden. All parties may appear remotely. Trials will proceed as scheduled in Virden. A maximum of five dispositions can proceed in person or remotely on these dates.

August 6, 20, 27, 2021 The docket will proceed virtually in Virden. All parties may appear remotely. Trials will proceed as scheduled in Virden. A maximum of five dispositions can proceed in person or remotely on these dates.

### **WAYWAYSEECAPPO**

July 7 and August 4, 2021 The docket will proceed virtually in Waywayseecappo. A maximum of ten dispositions can proceed in person or remotely on these dates.

**FURTHER NOTICES**

The Provincial Court of Manitoba continues to carefully monitor the public health situation and directives. All of the above is subject to further Notice as circumstances evolve.

**ISSUED BY:**

*“Original signed by:”*

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

**DATE: June 23, 2021**