

**COVID-19**  
**Ontario to Close Non-Essential Businesses**

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To further contain the spread of COVID-19, the Ontario Government announced this morning, it will order the **mandatory closure of all non-essential workplaces effective as of Tuesday, March 24th at 11:59 p.m.** This closure will be in effect for 14 days with the possibility of extending the order as the situation evolves.

**A full list of businesses that are permitted to stay open will be released tomorrow (March 24).**

Businesses that can continue operations with employees working remotely, or through other contingency measures, are being given approximately 36 hours to prepare and adapt.

A 1-800 number and website will be made available on Wednesday for any inquiries.

**Sherrard Kuzz LLP will continue to monitor this situation and keep our readers apprised.**

**Meanwhile, if you have questions, please contact your Sherrard Kuzz LLP lawyer, or our firm at [info@sherrardkuzz.com](mailto:info@sherrardkuzz.com) with the re line: COVID-19. We'll respond promptly.**

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