

## Updated Workplace Screening Requirements Now in Force

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On February 10, 2021 the Office of the Chief Medical Officer of Health for Ontario updated its [COVID-19 Screening Tool for Businesses and Organizations \(Screening Workers\)](#) and its [COVID-19 Screening Tool for Businesses and Organizations \(Screening Patrons\)](#). Under the [Reopening Ontario \(A Flexible Response to COVID-19 Act, 2020\)](#) and its associated [regulations](#), every business or organization to which the screening tools apply must ensure its workplace screening tools comply with the updated requirements.

A business or organization should note **two new requirements**:

- If the answer to any of the screening questions changes during the day, a worker is to immediately advise the employer of the change and go home to immediately self-isolate without having to first screen again. The worker is also to contact their healthcare provider or Telehealth Ontario to get advice or an assessment, including if they need a COVID-19 test.
- Every business or organization must maintain a record of the date and time every worker was in the workplace (arrival and departure time) and their contact information. This information may be requested by Public Health for contact tracing and must be maintained for at least one month.

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