

Halton Highlights December 2020

Buy local and shop safely this holiday season

This year has been difficult for many small businesses. As we approach the busiest shopping time of the year, I want to remind residents to safely support Halton's local businesses. Many of our local retailers and shops have been adapting to the pandemic by offering convenient online, delivery and curbside pick-up options to ensure customers can stay safe while getting the products and services they need.

So whether you are ordering a meal, supplies for your home, gifts for the holidays or weekly groceries, call ahead or order online and arrange for curbside pick-up or contactless delivery.

If you are shopping in-person for essential goods and services, please follow all public health measures, including:



maintaining a 2-metre distance from others



wearing a face covering or non-medical mask



following any in-store rules

Thank you for your continued efforts to stop the spread of COVID-19 and supporting our local businesses. For more information, please visit halton.ca/COVID19.

2021 Halton Region Guide and Waste Collection Calendars coming mid-December

There are simple actions that we can all take in our everyday lives to reduce waste at home and in the community. Halton Region is here to help by providing weekly curbside collection programs and reliable drop-off services at the Halton Waste Management Site. To ensure easy access to your collection schedule, print copies of the 2021 Halton Region Guide and Waste Collection Calendar have been mailed to homes across Halton and are scheduled to arrive in mailboxes by mid-December.

This year's guide includes:

- weekly collection schedules from January to December 2021;
- helpful sorting tips and information on how to use drop-off services; and
- details about how to access Regional programs and services.



To learn more about our waste management programs, view online collection schedules and sign up for collection reminders, please visit halton.ca/waste or use the **OneHalton app**.



We all have a role in stopping the spread of COVID-19.

Gary Carr, Regional Chair

Be prepared for emergencies this winter

The COVID-19 pandemic has reminded us all of the important role we play in keeping each other and ourselves safe. To ensure you're ready for winter, follow these three easy steps:



Know the risks—be aware of severe weather and potential hazards such as heavy snowfall, freezing rain, power outages and extreme cold that could lead to an emergency in your community.



Make a plan—know how you and your household would evacuate, communicate and stay safe during a winter emergency. Practice your emergency evacuation plan with all household members at least twice per year.



Get a kit—get or make emergency kits for your home and car containing essential supplies that will keep you and your family healthy if you lose access to power or running water.

For more information, please visit halton.ca.

Meetings at Halton Region

Regional Council meetings are taking place through web conferencing until further notice. Videos will be posted to halton.ca.

Visit halton.ca for full schedule.

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