

<p style="text-align: center;">THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF</p>  <p style="text-align: center;">Canadian Gateway to the 1000 Islands</p>	<p><b>PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT</b>  <b>– BUILDING QUESTIONS &amp; ANSWERS</b>  <b>DURING COVID-19</b>  <b>– UPDATED JANUARY 14, 2021</b></p>
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**Q - Are new single detached dwellings, semi-detached and townhomes allowed to continue construction if they have already started?**

A - Yes, provided a building permit was issued before January 12, 2021.

**Q - Are new condominium, mixed use or other residential buildings allowed to continue?**

A - Yes.

**Q - Are residential additions or renovations allowed to continue?**

A - Yes, provided they were started legally (with a building permit where required) and work physically commenced before January 12, 2021.

**Q - Are industrial, commercial, or institutional construction projects allowed to continue if they have already started?**

A – Yes, healthcare service, qualified industrial for support of healthcare, provincial and municipal infrastructure projects, colleges and universities, child care centers (*Child Care and Early Years Act, 2014*), schools and shelters. Only site preparation, excavation and servicing for all other institutional, commercial and industrial developments, unless they are providing support and distribution of PPE.

**Q - Is the Town still accepting Building Permit applications?**

A - The Town is still accepting building permit applications, reviewing plans, and processing applications remotely. Applications can be submitted electronically to [building@gananoque.ca](mailto:building@gananoque.ca)

**Q – With the office closed to the Public, how are building permit fees submitted?**

A - Payments are accepted online through electronic transfer payment or cheques may be submitted using the drop box at the door of 30 King Street East Gananoque.

**Q - Are there any restrictions on inspections that can continue during the**

**emergency order?**

- A - Yes, for staff and public safety, inspections are only being completed on essential construction projects. In addition, any inspection may be refused by inspectors for reasons of occupational health and safety. If an inspection has been refused, the work must stop or be completed by other means of inspection approved by the inspector.

As COVID-19 is evolving daily and subject to change including amendments to the Emergency Order, please keep an eye on our website for an updated list of affected municipal services at <https://www.gananoque.ca/covid-19-coronavirus-information>