

MINISTERIAL ORDER No. 2020-21

LABOUR AND IMMIGRATION Office of the Minister

WHEREAS the Lieutenant Governor in Council made Order in Council 080/2020 under section 52.1(1) of the *Public Health Act* (PHA) on March 17, 2020 declaring a state of public health emergency in Alberta due to pandemic COVID-19 and the significant likelihood of pandemic influenza;

WHEREAS Order in Council 080/2020 has effect for 90 days following March 17, 2020 under section 52.8(1)(a) of the PHA;

WHEREAS section 52.1(3) of the PHA authorizes the Minister responsible for an enactment (Minister), to make an order without consultation, to

- (a) suspend or modify the application or operation of all or part of an enactment, subject to the terms and conditions the Minister prescribes, or
- (b) specify or set out provisions that apply in addition to, or instead of, any provision of an enactment

if the Minister is satisfied that doing so is in the public interest; and

WHEREAS I am satisfied that it is in the public interest to make such an order in respect of the Occupational Health and Safety Code (Code) to approve respirators from a range of suppliers for use at Alberta work sites;

NOW THEREFORE, I, Jason Copping, Minister of Labour and Immigration responsible for the Occupational Health and Safety Code, pursuant to section 52.1(2) of the *Public Health Act*, do hereby order that:

- 1. The Code is amended as follows:
- (1) The following is added after section 246:

246.1 Notwithstanding section 246, the following respiratory protective equipment is approved for required use at a work site:

- (a) FFP2 respirators meeting the European Committee for Standardization (CEN) Standard (EN 149:2001+A1:2009),
- (b) KN95 respirators meeting the National Standard of the People's Republic of China (GB2626-2006),

- (c) P2 respirators meeting the standards of the Council of Standards Australia/Council of Standards New Zealand (AS/NZA 1716:2012),
- (d) Korea 1st class respirators meeting the standards of Korean Food and Drug Administration (KMOEL 2017-64), and
- (e) DS respirators meeting the standards of the Japanese Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare (Japan JMHLW-Notification 214, 2018).

This Order comes into effect on the date set out below.

This Order lapses, unless it is sooner continued by an order of the Lieutenant Governor in Council under section 52.811(3) of the PHA, at the earliest of the following:

- (a) 60 days after Order in Council 080/2020 lapses under section 52.8(1) of the PHA;
- (b) when this Order is terminated by the Minister under section 52.811(2) of the PHA because the Minister is satisfied that this Order is no longer in the public interest; or
- (c) when this Order is terminated by the Lieutenant Governor in Council under section 52.811(1)(c) of the PHA.

DATED at Edmonton, Alberta this 3 day of May, 2020.

Jason Copping
Minister of Labour and Immigration