



## CENTRAL REGION – RED DEER, WETASKIWIN, AND CAMROSE COVID-19 UPDATED MEASURES

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**Effective: June 14, 2021**

### **Purpose:**

Chief and Council of the Provincial Court has met and determined that commencing June 14, 2021, the following measures will be in place:

### **Procedures/Guidelines:**

1. Traffic Court, including circuit court locations, will reopen for trials as of June 28, 2021.
2. All Traffic Court matters set at the Baymont Inn & Suites, Red Deer, AB, will proceed in person as of June 28, 2021
3. All trials, preliminary inquiries, or other hearings involving *viva voce* evidence will proceed as scheduled in the base or circuit court the matter is scheduled to be heard in.
4. All docket courts, including circuit points, will remain virtual.
5. CMO will remain virtual and there will be no personal appearances.
6. All pretrial or pre-preliminary processes will continue as scheduled on a virtual basis.
7. Counsel may make application to have witnesses appear virtually. Such applications must be made at least 30 days in advance of the trial date.
8. Bail applications will remain virtual, unless *viva voce* evidence is required, in which case the

matter will be in person.

9. Sentencing may remain virtual where anticipated dispositions do not involve custody, or the individual is in custody and the proposed disposition will result in a time served sentence or a continuation of incarceration. Any sentencing where custody is at issue should be in person.
10. All safety measures will remain in place, including masking and physical distancing requirements, plexiglass, and current courtroom capacity limitations.

As per: Assistant Chief Judge Hunter  
Central Region Courts

