

# THE REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF YORK

## BYLAW NO. 2020-39

A bylaw to amend Bylaw No. 2017-7 being a bylaw to regulate the use of public transit vehicles and facilities in The Regional Municipality of York

WHEREAS pursuant to Ontario Regulation 50/20 made under the *Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act*, the Province of Ontario declared an emergency due to the outbreak of a communicable disease, namely COVID-19 coronavirus disease;

AND WHEREAS Council wishes to implement a requirement for individuals to wear a face covering while on transit vehicles or property, to assist in reducing the spread of COVID-19;

The Council of The Regional Municipality of York hereby enacts as follows:

1. Bylaw 2017-7 is amended as set out in this bylaw.
2. Section 1.1 of the Bylaw is amended by adding the following definition:  
“face covering” means a medical mask or non-medical mask or other face covering, including a bandana, scarf or other fabric that covers the mouth and nose to create a barrier to limit the transmission of respiratory droplets;
3. Section 3 of the Bylaw is amended by adding the following:  
3.40 Effective July 2, 2020, every person while travelling on a transit vehicle or at a transit facility shall wear a face covering, subject to the following exceptions:
  - (a) a child under two (2) years of age;
  - (b) any person compromised by wearing a face covering because of a medical condition;
  - (c) any person unable to place or remove a face covering without assistance; and
  - (d) any person who requires accommodation under the *Human Rights Code*.

4. This bylaw shall remain in effect until such time as the Region's Medical Officer of Health determines that the mandatory requirement set forth in Section 3 is no longer required.

ENACTED AND PASSED on June 25, 2020.

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Regional Clerk

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Regional Chair