



MEDIA ADVISORY

Sittings of the House in July and August

Ottawa, Ontario – July 6, 2020

Pursuant to the [order adopted on May 26, 2020](#), the House will meet on Wednesday, July 8, 2020, at noon. The House will also meet on Wednesday, July 22, August 12 and August 26, 2020. It will then stand adjourned until Monday, September 21, 2020.

During these sittings, the House will resolve itself into a committee of the whole to allow Members to question Ministers on matters related to the COVID-19 pandemic and other matters. This will be followed by a general debate on a motion regarding the COVID-19 pandemic and the measures taken by the government. The proceedings of the committee of the whole will operate as follows:

- Members may participate in the proceedings either in person or by videoconference.
- Members may question Ministers for a period not exceeding 95 minutes on matters related to the COVID-19 pandemic and other matters.
- Following the questioning of Ministers, the committee shall consider a motion “[t]hat the House take note of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic and measures taken by the government to respond to it.” This debate shall last not longer than two hours and 20 minutes.
- When the committee rises, the motion shall be deemed withdrawn and the House shall adjourn until the next sitting day provided for in the motion.

Between Wednesday, June 17, 2020, and Monday, September 21, 2020, if the Speaker receives a notice from the House Leaders of all four recognized parties indicating that it is in the public interest that the House remain adjourned until a future date or until future notice is given to the Speaker, the House will remain adjourned accordingly. The House can also be recalled earlier by the Speaker after consultation with the Government.

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