



# Communicable Disease Prevention and Control Protocol

*In accordance with orders of the Provincial Health Officer pertaining to Industrial Camps and the Chief Inspector of Mines*

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## Communicable Disease Prevention and Control Protocol Annual Review Record

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## 1. Overview

The purpose of this protocol is to prevent and control the risk of transmission of communicable disease among workers at the worksite, in their accommodations, and when travelling to and from the worksite. This protocol pertains to Cassiar Gold Corp. work sites and camp at Jade City, BC.

A site orientation and communicable disease protocol review will be given to each worker arriving at site. The Joint Health and Safety Committee will review the Communicable Disease and Prevention Plan, as well as escalate workers concerns about the policy to management.

Frequent and thorough handwashing, or disinfecting with alcohol-based gel/spray, is strongly encouraged for all personnel on site. Additional measures may be implemented when advised to do so by the Public Health Officer during periods of elevated risk.

## 2. Pre-travel screening

CGC personnel and contractors are to self-monitor for symptoms of communicable disease prior to arrival at site.

- Follow all public health guidance, including the use of properly fitting masks where appropriate/required.

If symptoms of an illness arise before travelling to site, the worker must:

- Consult a doctor before leaving for site.
- Follow up with supervisor or camp manager.  
Delay travel to site until no longer contagious (per doctor's recommendation).

## 3. Travel to site

### A. Driving to site

Workers driving to site are asked to use best travel practices:

- Wear properly-fitting masks when appropriate/required. Sanitize hands frequently.
- Minimize interactions with people during travel.

### B. Air travel

Workers flying to Whitehorse or another airport en route to site:

- Follow all airline and territorial or provincial guidance with respect to communicable diseases.
- Comply with territorial or provincial self-isolation requirements.

## 4. COVID-19 site procedures:

Cassiar Gold Corp. prefers and recommends that all workers be fully vaccinated against COVID-19 to reduce the risk to workers but does not require that workers be vaccinated.

In the event of a suspected or confirmed COVID-19 case on site:

- Affected worker(s) will be isolated and rapid test(s) administered
- CGC supervisor will notify BC medical health officer or Provincial infection prevention and control officer
- If medical attention is necessary, worker will be transported using a vehicle which allows the patient to be isolated from the driver.
- To prevent spread, masks will be worn by all site personnel:
  - Indoors in all areas except for private rooms, bathroom stalls, or while eating or drinking. Eating or drinking is to be done in one place; no walking around
  - In all vehicles, unless driving alone
  - Outdoors when physical distancing is not possible
  - While interacting with community members or visitors
- Daily self-monitoring protocol will be initiated

## 5. Facilities and workplace:

### A. Accommodations

- CGC Resources Ltd. exploration camp at Jade City will be a controlled-access facility.
  - Signage to this effect will be posted inside the main (north entryway), blocking access to the corridor beyond.
- Entry beyond the main (north) entryway will be restricted to site workers only.
- Frequent and thorough handwashing, or disinfecting with alcohol-based gel/spray, is strongly encouraged for all personnel on site.
- Hand sanitizing stations will be positioned at all entryways and in all common rooms (recreation room, dining area, kitchen, lunchroom, pantry, first aid room, washrooms).
- If visitors need to access the camp for some reason (such as a tradesperson or an emergency), they must be escorted by a CGC worker.
- Disinfection of all high-touch surfaces within the camp will be done twice daily.
  - Handles, doorknobs, taps, appliances, counters, switches, telephones, etc.
  - Disinfection routine to be documented: checklist with time/date/initials

### B. Office

- Hand sanitizing station to be positioned at entrance.
- Disinfection of all high-touch surfaces within the office to be done.
  - Handles, doorknobs, taps, appliances, counters, telephones, etc.
  - Disinfection routine to be documented: checklist with time/date/initials.

## 6. Health monitoring at Site

- Each worker will monitor themselves for symptoms of communicable disease.
- Any worker who develops new or worsening symptoms of any illness:
  - must notify their supervisor
  - is not permitted to work

- is not permitted to interact in person with any site workers or community members
- must self-isolate in the camp, using separate facilities and with maximum handwashing and disinfecting when outside of their room.
- will be provided meals and other supports by other workers.
- If a worker develops symptoms but is within driving distance of their home, and capable of traveling in a personal, un-shared vehicle, they may return home rather than isolating in camp.

## 7. In case of illness consistent with COVID-19 symptoms

- Worker will be moved from their room to a dedicated isolation room. Meals will be delivered. Complete isolation from the camp population is required.
- The Mine Manager, or designate will notify BC medical health officer or Provincial infection prevention and control officer:
  - HealthLink BC: **811** or if not available, **604-215-8110**
  - Northwest Health Services Delivery Area, Acting Northeast Medical Health Officer:
    - Dr. Raina Fumerton, Terrace, BC 250-631-4261
    - After hours on-call 250-565-2000, option 7
- If medical attention is necessary, worker will be transported using the CGC Emergency Transport Vehicle, which allows isolation of the patient from the driver.
  - Radio contact can be used to communicate between the patient and driver.
- Urgent medical care should be sourced at Watson Lake, Yukon.

**CAMP INFORMATION:** Jade City at kilometer 602 on Hwy 37 N

UTM 6567780mN, 462625mE - NAD83 Zone 9

Approx. 115 km north of Dease Lake.

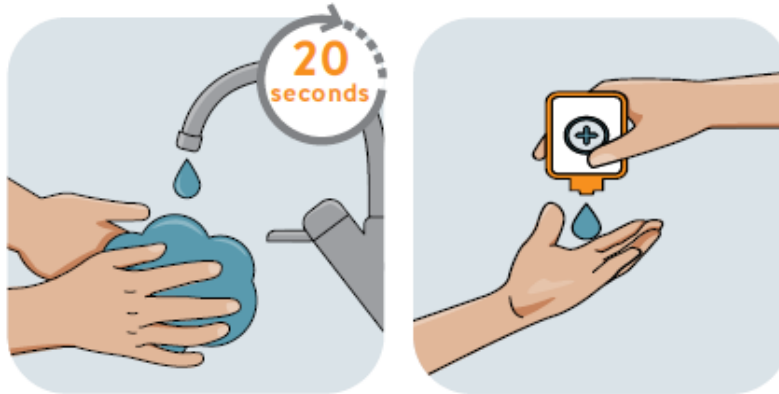
**EMERGENCY SERVICES:**

Contact		Phone Number	
<b>BC Emergency Health Services (Ambulance Dispatchers)</b>		<b>1-800-461-9911</b>	
<b>Police (Dease Lake RCMP Attachment)</b>		<b>1-250-771-4111</b>	
<b>BC Emergency Cell/Sat Phone Contact</b>		<b>1-250-374-5937</b>	
	Name	Number	Address
<b>Hospital</b>	Watson Lake Hospital	1-867-536-4444	801 Ravenhill Dr, Watson Lake YT
<b>Medical Center</b>	Stikine Health Center (Dease Lake)	1-250-771-4444	7171 Highway 37, Dease Lake BC
<b>Police</b>	RCMP Dease Lake	1-250-771-4111	50 Boulder Ave, Dease Lake BC
<b>Fire &amp; Search and Rescue</b>	Dease Lake Fire Department	1-250-771-3134	8 Stikine Street, Dease Lake BC
<b>Forest Fire</b>	BC Forest Fire Reporting	1-800-663-5555	
<b>Poison</b>	Poison Control	1-800-567-8911	

In the event of a medical emergency, the **BC Ambulance Service (1-800-461-9911)** will determine which hospital is best equipped for the injury. The following numbers are provided in case there is need for direct contact:

Name	Town	Number	Address
Watson Lake Hospital	Watson Lake	(867) 536-4444	801 Ravenhill Dr, Watson Lake, YT
Stikine Health Center	Dease Lake	(250) 771-4444	7171 Highway 37, Dease Lake, BC

# Prevent the spread of communicable disease



Wash your hands often with soap and water for 20 seconds. If soap and water aren't available, use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer.

## Wash your hands:

- When you arrive at work
- Before and after going on a break
- After using the washroom
- After handling cash or other materials that have come into contact with the public
- Before and after handling shared tools and equipment
- Before and after using masks or other personal protective equipment

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