

Covid-19 Amendment to Residential Tenancies Act, 2018
Effective: March 26, 2020

4. Section 19 of the *Residential Tenancies Act, 2018* is amended by adding immediately after subsection (4) the following:
 - (5) Notwithstanding subsection (1), where a tenant suffers a loss of income due to loss of employment or a reduction in work hours as a result of the Public Health Emergency declared in the province on March 18, 2020, the period in which the tenant is required to vacate a residential premises under subsection (1) is extended for a period of not less than 30 days after the notice is served on the tenant.
 - (6) A tenant referred to in subsection (5) shall provide to the landlord proof of loss of income in the form of
 - (a) written or electronic documentation from the tenant's employer confirming the loss of employment or reduction in work hours; or
 - (b) a statutory declaration of the tenant.
 - (7) Notwithstanding subsection (5), the Lieutenant-Governor in Council may, by order, extend the period referred to in subsection (5).
 - (8) An order made under subsection (7) is subordinate legislation for the purposes of the Statutes and Subordinate Legislation Act.
 - (9) The Crown is not liable for damages caused to a person as a result of a time period extended under the authority of subsection (5) or (7).