NEW NOTICE RE: PROVINCIAL FINE PAYMENTS – RE: COVID-19

Updated April 24, 2020

As a result of the Provincial responses to mitigating risk of transmission of COVID-19, until the Public Health Emergency is lifted, late fees and license suspension actions will not be taken due to these restrictions and the Province of Prince Edward Island will not be enforcing the collection of fine payments during the current Public Health Emergency. Further measures may be announced.

Fines and restitution continue to be due and payments will be accepted by cheque, over the phone by credit card or by arranging an e-transfer. Payments will not be accepted in person until further notice, so please do not attend at any court location to make a fine payment.

If you have recently received a ticket and you do not wish to dispute it, you must contact the Provincial Court in Charlottetown by telephone at <u>902-368-6693</u>, Summerside at <u>902-888-8187</u> or Georgetown at <u>902-652-8990</u> BEFORE the due date indicated on the ticket to enter the guilty plea and arrange payment.

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At this time, and until further notice, you are NOT to come to any Provincial Courthouse or Access PEI site to deal with any summary offence tickets or payments for fines or restitution. Please see the Provincial Court website at: https://www.courts.pe.ca/provincial-court for further information and for notification when fine enforcement will resume. As well, please continue to follow all recommendations and directions with respect to COVID 19 from the Public Health Office.