

Library is open again

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Drayton Valley's library is open to the public once again after the province relaxed restrictions in place due to the Covid-19 pandemic on Monday.

In spite of being taken by surprise by the province's decision, Library Director Doug Whistance-Smith said on Tuesday morning that the downtown library was open effective immediately.

Currently foot traffic is limited to 15 percent of the maximum capacity laid out in the fire code. In terms of hard numbers that translates to a cap of eight members of the public inside the library at any given time.

"This means we have to limit access to purposeful activity only: only two public computers are available, lounging or loitering will not be allowed and there are time-limits for people in the space," said Whistance-Smith in an email.

Since it was forced to close last year the library has continued to serve the public both through online programming and by offering curbside pickup for books and other materials.

This is the second time the provincial government has unexpectedly brought forward library reopenings during the course of the pandemic, with the same thing happening last June. On both occasions Drayton Valley has been one of the first libraries to reopen following the green light from the province.

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