

Prince Edward Island

LAWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Transportation Safety

Nov 4: Newly tabled [Bill 28](#) gives municipalities greater control over the operation of All Terrain Vehicles on municipal roads and doubles *Off-Highway Safey Act* fines for driving off-highway vehicles on any PEI road where such vehicles are banned to are \$500 to \$1,000 for a first offence, and \$1,000 to \$2,000 for a repeat offence.

Infectious Illness

Oct 17: Prince Edward Island's Chief Public Health Office reported the season's first lab-confirmed cases of influenza A and respiratory syncytial virus. Three days earlier, Health PEI implemented a mandatory masking policy at all its facilities.

Action Point: Find out how to use the [OHS Insider Infection Exposure Control Plan](#) template to guard against flu, RSV, COVID, and other potential infectious illness outbreaks at your workplace.

New Laws

Nov 4: Newly proposed [Bill 104](#) would amend the PEI sales tax laws to provide that a purchaser of a "used personal vehicle" is exempt from paying the "provincial portion" of the HST.

Industry Challenges

Oct 15: With federal support PEI launched a revamped [Future Farmer Program 2.0 offering](#) new farmers business funding and support via 2 subprograms: i. Agri-Start for farmers beginning their agricultural careers; and ii. Continuing to Grow for farmers who've already gotten into the business but have less than 5 years of reported farm income.

Accessibility

Oct 29: Prince Edward Island businesses and organizations seeking to make their workplaces more accessible to disabled persons may now [apply](#) for Workforce Adaptation Fund grants covering 80% of eligible expenses up to \$50,000 per year. Applications will be accepted continuously until the Fund is exhausted but must be submitted by the 15th of the month for review within 30 days.

Action Point: Find out how accessibility laws affect your OHS program.

Environmental

Dec 4: That's the deadline for PEI businesses, nonprofits, communities, and other stakeholders [to apply](#) for Prince Edward Island Climate Challenge Fund support for projects designed to cut greenhouse gas emissions. This year's priority areas include

climate change adaptation strategies for sensitive industries and municipalities, conducting emissions or energy analyses, improving water conservation, ensuring access to clean drinking water during extreme weather or climate emergencies, and strengthening communication systems, fuel supplies, food distribution, and other community assets.