



UPDATE ON SYDNEY COURTHOUSE

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Updated: Monday, Feb. 20, 2023

The building that houses the Sydney courthouse will remain closed for another week to facilitate ongoing cleanup and remediation work from flood damage. Some areas of the courthouse are expected to reopen to the public on Monday, Feb. 27, 2023.

The courts are continuing to operate during the building closure. Provincial Court matters in the Sydney arraignment court are being handled virtually. Most other Provincial Court matters that were scheduled in Sydney up to and including Friday, Feb. 24, are being adjourned and rescheduled.

Provincial Court trials that need to proceed in person next week will be moved to another courthouse. In those instances, court staff will contact counsel with further direction.

Supreme Court (General Division) matters, including Chambers and Crownside, are being handled virtually by telephone and videoconferencing, where possible. Matters in the Supreme Court (Family Division) are being handled primarily by telephone.

If anyone is unsure of the status of their matter, they should contact Court Administration staff for assistance. Contact information for Sydney is available online [here](#). Until further notice, counsel and others trying to contact the Prothonotary for the Supreme Court in Sydney should call 902-563-3471 or fax 902-563-5605.

Counsel and self-represented individuals are reminded that there is a drop box located inside the front door of the courthouse for filing hard copies of documents. Sheriff Services are on site and court staff are checking the filings throughout the day. Documents will be date-stamped the day that they are filed; however, counsel are advised they may not receive date-stamped copies until the following business day.

Further updates will be provided as more information becomes available.

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