

UPDATE: ONTARIO RESUMES LIMITATION PERIODS AND PROCEDURAL DEADLINES

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This is an update to our previous [bulletin\[1\]](#) on Ontario's suspension of limitation periods and procedural deadlines as of March 16, 2020, due to COVID-19. The suspension order was made under O. Reg. 73/20[2] (the "**Suspension Order**").

As the province gradually reopens, Ontario has decided to lift the Suspension Order effective on **Monday, September 14, 2020** (pursuant to O. Reg. 457/20[3] made under the *Reopening Ontario (A Flexible Response to COVID-19) Act, 2020*[4]). Limitation and other procedural time periods that were suspended on March 16, 2020 will therefore once again begin to run on September 14, 2020. For example, if a limitation period was going to expire on March 20, 2020 (four days after Ontario limitation periods were suspended on March 16), it will now expire on September 18, 2020 (four days after the limitation periods resume).

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[1] McMillan LLP, "[COVID-19: Ontario Suspends Limitation Periods and Procedural Deadlines](#)" (March 22, 2020).[ps2id id='1' target='']

[2] [Ontario Regulation 73/20: Limitation Periods](#).[ps2id id='2' target='']

[3] [Ontario Regulation 457/20: Limitation Periods](#).[ps2id id='3' target='']

[4] [SO 2020, c 17](#).[ps2id id='4' target='']

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