

# Prince Edward Island

## **LAWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **New Laws**

Oct 15: With federal support PEI launched a revamped [Future Farmer Program 2.0 offering](#) new farmers in the province funding and business 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.

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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.

### **Health & Safety**

Oct 17: PEI'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. Health PEI staff must follow guidelines for mask removal as well as current infection control procedures, including proper hand hygiene, staying home when ill and reporting any respiratory illness to their supervisor.

**Action Point:** Find out how to create a legally and clinically sound workplace [Exposure Control Plan](#) to protect your employees against the risk of H5N1, COVID and other infectious illnesses.