

Welcome back STRATFORD restaurants!

We have been waiting for a long time to enjoy the flavours this city is famous for, and *Stratford al fresco, phase 1* is coming to help you serve more delicious meals over the summer.

ARE YOU LOCATED IN THE DOWNTOWN CORE?

Over the next five weeks, 50 additional tables are going to be placed throughout downtown for your patrons to bring their take-out meals.

- Look for C.R. Plastics tables (made in Stratford!), with shade umbrellas, starting with 12 tables on June 22 in Market Square (25 tables total), followed by more tables each week in Memorial Gardens green space, Tom Patterson Island and Upper Queens Park (subject to layout approvals).
- Safety first! All tables will be placed according to safe physical distancing recommendations; there will be hand sanitizer stations, signage for health & safety, and additional waste and recycling bins.
- *Al fresco* areas will have staff to set everything up in the morning, and put it all away in the evening. They will deep clean all tables twice daily, and will properly sanitize every two hours and between seatings during meal times.
- These tables are true public spaces intended to augment outdoor seating for TAKE-OUT / CURBSIDE PICKUP only with non-reserved, first-come-first-serve use by restaurant patrons and public. They do not need to be serviced by any restaurant staff.

NOT IN THE DOWNTOWN CORE, BUT WANT TO OPEN A PATIO IN YOUR PARKING LOT?

If you want to establish a patio at your restaurant, but need assistance with the infrastructure, you can apply to use City-owned picnic tables as seating for your guests!

- The number of tables is limited and are first come, first served; see application details below.
- Each restaurant may apply for a maximum of five tables to use until the end of October, 2020.
- City staff will deliver and pick up the tables, but proper cleaning, maintenance, etc. are your responsibility (see Public Health Ontario's [Coronavirus Disease 2019 \(COVID-19\) Cleaning and Disinfection for Public Settings](#)).
- All the rules you currently follow with respect to food preparation, service, and AGCO regulations continue as per normal operation.
- What you need to supply with your application:
 - ✓ Written approval from your landowners to establish a patio in your parking lot.
 - ✓ A site plan showing socially distanced table placement (does not need to be a professional site plan), including patio dimensions (each table seats four and measure 6'x 4.5', there must be 9' distance between tables).
 - ✓ Assurance that enough parking spaces are available for patrons visiting your restaurant.
- **Interested?** Please email: Quin Malott, Parks & Forestry Manager at gmalott@stratford.ca with your business and contact name, address, phone number and # of tables requested.

Phase II of Stratford al fresco is in the works. It will include **Patio Extensions** with pedestrian walkways in the parking spaces ensuring you have maximum sidewalk patio opportunity. We are also exploring limited liquor licensing opportunities in public spaces such as Market Square. Details to be shared as these projects unfold - we look forward to navigating Stratford al fresco with you, together we can create a great experience! #stratfordalfresco #madeinstratford

Have a question? Contact the Stratford Economic Response & Recovery Task Force at:
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