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ALCOHOL-BASED HAND SANITIZER – IS IT SAFE TO LEAVE A SMALL CONTAINER IN A HOT CAR?

As we begin to venture out into the community more and more, for many of us, that means having a container of alcohol-based hand sanitizer near us at all times ... especially in the car. [The engineers with the Office of the Fire Marshal \(OFM\) Investigation Services](#) and the [National Fire Protection Agency \(NFPA\)](#) have been looking into claims on social media that containers of hand sanitizer will catch fire or spontaneously combust if left inside a hot vehicle.

Their findings suggest that these social media claims are NOT true and that IT IS SAFE to leave a small container in your vehicle.

“Alcohol-based hand sanitizer is flammable and may give off flammable vapours which could ignite if exposed to open flame or an ignition source ... [however] ... according to the OFM and the NFPA, hand sanitizer will not spontaneously combust or explode if left in a hot vehicle. Containers should be kept in an upright position and properly sealed to avoid leakage. Containers should not be left in direct sunlight, as an added precaution, to avoid spillage or leakage from pressurization of the container. Product label warnings should be carefully read and followed.”

Watch this video from the NFPA that explains how spontaneous ignition/combustion works and for more information about the flammability of alcohol-based hand sanitizer and best practices for hand sanitizer safety.



REMEMBER ... MOTORHOMES, RECREATIONAL VEHICLES AND BOATS WITH SLEEPING AREAS NEED SMOKE & CARBON MONOXIDE DETECTORS

Whether you're on a roadway or a waterway, fire and life safety should always be top of mind. Be sure to install and maintain at least one smoke detector AND one carbon monoxide detector near the sleeping area.

Depending on the size of your RV/boat and layout of sleeping areas, more than one smoke detector may be required. Please take note that carbon monoxide detectors that are designed for a bricks and mortar homes require 110v power and will only work when your RV is plugged into an electrical source at the campsite. Be sure you have a 12v battery supplied carbon monoxide detector for when you're on the road.)

Install a propane leak alarm at floor level, no more than 6 inches above the floor or lowest level to alert you in the event of a propane leak. If you have a leak, immediately evacuate the vehicle/vessel and shut off the propane at the tank, but only if it is safe to do so.

Make sure you have your ABC fire extinguisher inspected before you leave and that it is installed near an escape exit. Also make sure that each traveller knows its location and how to use it. If you need your fire extinguisher inspected, Huronia can help. [Visit one of our locations today](#), or [email](#) us for more information about fire extinguisher or smoke detector safety.



SPECIAL SERVICE HELP NUMBERS – WHO TO CALL IF YOU NEED HELP

We all know that calling 911 should only be done in the case of emergencies, but who do you call if you need help and it's NOT an emergency? Here are some helpful numbers to keep on hand – at home, at the cottage, on your boat and on your cellphone.

*16 **Marine Distress** – if you're in distress and out on the water (and do not have access to marine radio), help is available from your cellphone. This number will connect you directly to the officer on duty at the Marine Communications and Traffic Services who will then arrange assistance with the local rescue coordination centre.

211 **Community Health and Social Services** – this is a public information and referral services resource that will help connect you to social services like food banks, mental health support information and information on behalf of several government agencies.

311 **Municipal Government Services** – this number provides information to residents, businesses and visitors about non-emergency city services, programs and information.

411 **Local Directory Assistance**

511 **Weather and Traveler Information Services** – transportation and traffic information telephone hotline in many regions across Canada and the US

611 **Repair Service** – for repairs required to Bell Telephone products

711 **Message Relay Service (MRS)** – this allows individuals with speech or hearing impairments to use the telephone system via a text telephone (TTY) or other devices to call persons with or without impairments

811 **Provincial Tele-health Service / Non-urgent Health Care Telephone Triage Service** – Telehealth Ontario is a free, confidential service you can call to get health advice or information. A Registered Nurse will take your call 24 hours a day, seven days a week. **You can also contact them Toll-free: 1-866-797-0000 / Toll-free TTY: 1-866-797-0007**

911 **Emergency Calls Only** – to request police, fire, rescue and ambulance services.

For other police matters (non-emergency) – 1-888-310-1122 or call your [local detachment](#) or [report an incident or crime online](#).

- Collingwood Detachment - [click here](#)
- Southern Georgian Bay (Midland) - [click here](#)
- Huntsville - [click here](#)

Huronia Alarm & Fire Security Inc. Monitoring Station – for our residential and commercial customers who have monitored security, fire and life safety systems.

- Toll Free: 1-888-363-9311
 - Phone #1: 705-730-0843
 - Phone #2: 705-444-2287
 - Email: monitoring@huroniaalarms.com
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HURONIA “OUT” AND “REMOTELY” ABOUT IN THE COMMUNITY

The 8th annual Walkathon in support of the [Georgian Triangle Humane Society \(GTHS\)](#) is well underway, and they're closing in on the final weeks of fundraising. Rob Dozzi was on hand (remotely!) to help officially introduce the virtual Walkathon as it enters Walkathon Week (August 5-12), and introduce some members of the community who are walking, riding and hiking in support of this event. Huronia is pleased to be the premier sponsor and we look forward to participating virtually with the GTHS this year during Walkathon week.



In light of COVID19, the GTHS has had to cancel some of their other major fundraising initiatives. This means that there's an even greater emphasis being placed on this virtual walkathon. The GTHS receives no government funding and they rely entirely on the generosity of the community and private corporations and foundations to operate. [Click here for more information about the event](#) and [click here to register to participate](#).



The Georgian Triangle Humane Society's
8th Annual (Virtual) Walkathon
Walkathon Your Way
Week of August 5 - 12, 2020
Registration opens June 3 | www.gths.ca | events@gths.ca

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"The GTHS is embracing these times of uncertainty and what makes us all different. Your walk in life is unique to you and your Walkathon should be too! 1K-10k, 50-2,500 steps, walk, get active, move your body anywhere and anytime during Walkathon Week to raise critically needed funds for animals in need. Walk with or without your pet, walk solo, walk inside or outside your house! Challenge yourself and get creative!"



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