



KNOW BEFORE YOU GO: ENHANCED SAFETY PROTOCOLS TO BE MINDFUL OF AT THE 2021 PNE FAIR

Here's all you need to know ahead of opening weekend

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Vancouver, BC – With the official opening of the 111th PNE Fair on the horizon, the health, safety, comfort, and overall experience of our guests remains the top priority for the entire PNE extended family.

As one of the first major in-person events taking place since the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic fairgoers will be welcomed to an event operating within the health guidelines established by the Provincial Health Office and WorkSafe BC and with the guidance of Vancouver Coastal Health Authority.

With these considerations in mind, here are five things you need to know before you visit us this year:

1) For the first time, advance tickets are required and must be date specific

Due to limited capacity restrictions and contact tracing in place, tickets must be purchased in advance of your visit to the fairgrounds. It is **strongly** recommended to reserve your date-specific tickets early on [ticketleader.ca](https://www.ticketleader.ca) to avoid disappointment.

**There are no 'ins and outs' at the Fair this year. This is to maintain accurate capacity counts.*

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2) Outdoor emphasis for festival-style experience

This year's Fair footprint will be outdoors in Hastings Park. Whether listening to great live music, watching a show or enjoying lunch with friends or family, maintaining comfortable distances will be possible across more than 50 acres of beautiful parkland. For 2021 the indoor space will be limited to the Livestock barns, which have high ceilings and are well ventilated.

Physical distancing practices of six feet/two metres between your party and other guests is suggested and plexiglass shields have been installed where possible. Masks are recommended on-site for guests – particularly inside the Livestock Barns, in line for attractions and on rides – but not required. PNE staff, contractors and vendors will be masked.

3) Sanitation station-to-station

Whether you're watching one of the can't miss shows and attractions like the SuperDogs or For the Love of Drag, visiting the rides at Playland or chowing down on some mini donuts; you'll find a sanitation station. These will be located throughout the Fairgrounds to keep your hands clean at contact points.

4) Contactless payments

This year, the PNE's primary form of payment is contactless cards (debit/credit/gift cards). Many on-site vendors will not accept cash. PNE Gift Cards (to use in place of cash) are available at Guest Services in the Livestock Barns or near the main Playland gate.

5) Hitch a ride or plan for parking

On-site parking is limited. You can view parking locations using [this map](#), or plan to take Transit to the PNE with TransLink's [Trip Planner](#).

Entrance gates are located on Miller Drive (near the Hastings Racecourse), at Playland (Hastings & Windermere), and on the west side of Hastings Park near the PNE Agrodome.

2021 PNE Fair Fast Facts

- **Duration of Fair:** August 21st to September 6th, 2021 (closed on August 23rd and 30th)
- **Hours of operation:** 11am-11pm
- **Tickets:**
 - On sale at [ticketleader.ca](https://www.ticketleader.ca)
 - \$15 for adults

- \$12 for kids and seniors
- Free entrance for 5 & under (must reserve free tickets)
- Tickets must be purchased for a specific day in advance

For more information about the Fair Fundamentals visit: www.pne.ca.

About the PNE:

Owned by the City of Vancouver, the Pacific National Exhibition (PNE) is a healthy and vibrant non-profit organization dedicated to delivering over 2 million visitors a year with memorable experiences through access to first-class cultural, music, sporting and family entertainment events, as well as access to public space for passive recreation. Founded in 1910, the PNE's home is Hastings Park, a multi-facility venue in Vancouver where the organization manages four activity streams: the annual PNE Fair, Playland Amusement Park, Park Care and Facility Maintenance and an expansive portfolio of year-round events. All revenues generated are invested back into park space, community programs and non-revenue generating educational and entertainment experiences.

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