



COOKSTOWN *greens*

June 1, 2020

As an essential service to our local community and neighbouring communities, Cookstown Greens has been leading our team in our efforts to ensure our farm remains resilient during these challenging times while we continue to provide our customers with safe, healthy, local and organic produce!

Cookstown Greens as business and as a farm, has implemented the necessary precautions which are strictly enforced to ensure our health and safety and our high standards of food safety and sanitation are maintained. All employees while in the building and handling food are required to wear masks, gloves, aprons, protective sleeves, and our work areas have sufficient space to social distance and all surfaces are cleaned multiple times per day.

There are very strict guidelines that Cookstown Greens continues to follow as per the programs (Service Canada, F.A.R.M.S) that we use to employ our migrant workers; this included a 14 day quarantine period before our April workers were allowed to work. When our July migrant workers arrive, they will be under the 14 day quarantine period as well. I have also spoken with the local Health Unit/Cookstown branch as they are inspecting & expecting us to maintain compliance. All migrant workers are screened prior to boarding an international flight to Canada and screened again upon arrival into Canada.

With regards to CV-19 testing, all employees including the migrant workers have been instructed to inform us immediately if they are experiencing any possible symptoms, at which point they will be advised to go/taken to the closest assessment site. Cookstown Greens has multiple posters in both english & spanish highlighting how to stop the spread of CV-19

Our migrant workers (3 of our workers arrived in January and 2 workers arrived in April) go into town once per month under the supervision of myself and my husband Mike - they are placed under strict protocols on the farm and when we shop. The 7 of us wear our masks, gloves, wipe our groceries down upon return - their/our risk of transmission is lowered due to the fact that we leave the farm once per month and limit our exposure to the public

Cookstown Greens trusts that our 8 Canadian staff are being mindful & preventive in their own lives to mitigate their risk of transmission of CV-19. We hope that our employees, friends, families and customers continue to do their part in stopping the spread of CV-19

As a business, family & team we are constantly evolving our policies and procedures in accordance to the government's guidelines; as well as the guidelines from Service Canada and F.A.R.M.S - <https://www.canada.ca/en/public-health/services/diseases/coronavirus-disease-covid-19.html> has been an invaluable resource in nativating all questions & concerns related to CV-19

Just a friendly reminder that with the introduction of Cookstown Greens curbside/porch pick ups, pick up days are designated at the end of the week **Thursday - Saturday ONLY (please refrain from Monday - Wednesday pickups)** this is out of respect for our employees and our families.

Please respect the measures that we have in place to ensure your curbside pick up is completed in a safe manner. If you do not see your box on the deck, please call me 705 458 9077; do not enter the working shed. We will soon have a refrigerator in place to maintain the freshness of your order

If you have any further questions or concerns regarding Cookstown Greens, our produce, policies or procedures - do not hesitate reach out to myself or Mike

Thank you for your consideration and continued support of our local farm!

Sincerely, Vicky and Mike Ffrench

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