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# **AGENDA**

Topic	Speaker
Reopening Toronto	
Recap on Amenities Reopening	
Covid-Protocols	
Insurance in Condos	
Insurance deductible bylaw	
Standard Unit bylaw	

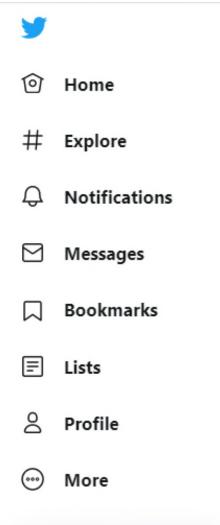


## PROVINCIAL UPDATE

- Provincial update
- Toronto / Peel entering into Stage 2
- Windsor Essex remaining in Stage 1
- Declaration of emergency extended until July 15



## PROVINCIAL UPDATE



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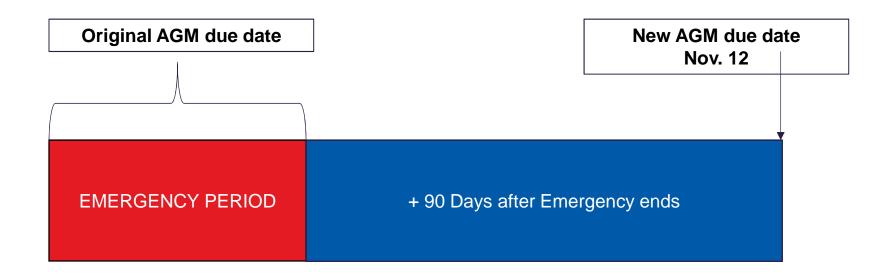


The coronavirus pandemic's

worst-case scenario is unfolding

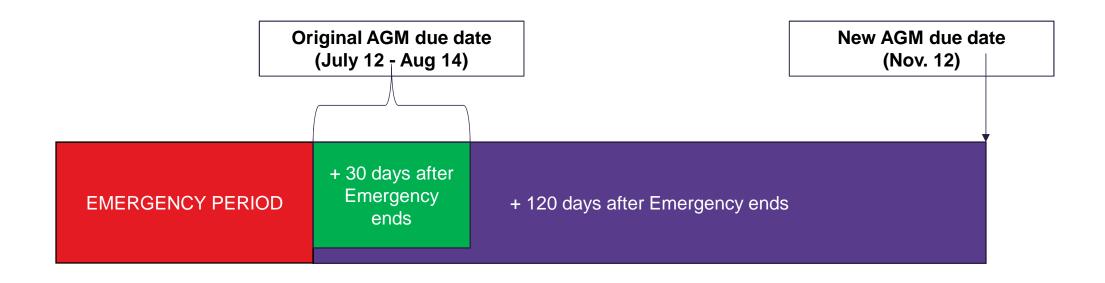
in Brazil

# **AGM DEADLINE EXTENSIONS**





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## PRECAUTIONS IF YOU ARE TO REOPEN...

- Patios
- BBQs
- Rooftop Terraces
- Pools



#### TORONTO'S COVID GUIDANCE...

- Screen staff, bathers and spectators
- Maintain logs of staff, bathers & spectators
- Manage the flow and physical distancing
- Practice hand hygiene and respiratory etiquette
- Strongly recommends masks
- Enhance environmental cleaning and disinfection
- Provide PPE
- Maintain systems (venting and water)
- Increase communication and designate a point of contact



- Limits of waivers
- Are waiver enforceable?
- Can we impose them on owners?
- Can we ban owners who don't sign them?



# HEALTH SCREENING, WARNINGS, ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

(THE CONDO TWINS)

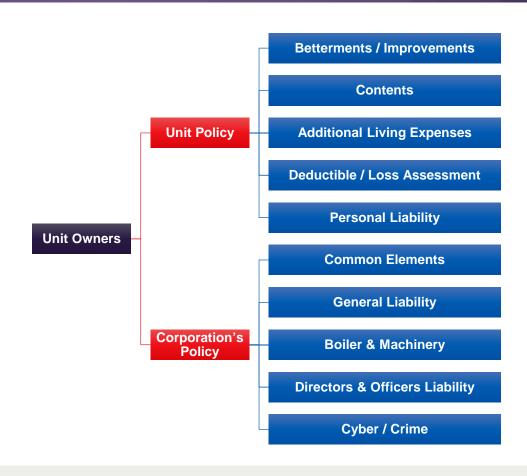
- Develop protocols
- Post warning signs
- Have owners complete health-screening
- Acknowlegement of risk



## UNIT vs. COMMON ELEMENTS

- What is the UNIT
- What are COMMON ELEMENTS
- Who is responsible for what?
  - Maintenance
  - Repair after damage
  - Insurance





#### What's affecting the Corporation's premiums & deductible?

- Property & liability claims
- "Mother Nature"
- Historically low rates
- Lack of market access
- Social inflation

#### How do we keep the premium & deductible low?

- Avoid claims
- Learn from losses
- Consider a standard unit by-law / remove finishes from standard unit
- Risk management
- Educate owners

- Owners insure their units
- Corporation insures/repairs
  - 1. common elements and
  - 2. Units after damage (up to the standard)
- Who pays the deducitble
- Cost of commercial insurance

## **INSURANCE DEDUCTIBLE BY-LAW**

- What does the bylaw do?
- An owner will pay the deductible if
  - They are at fault
  - They are at the source
- If no one is to blame?
  - The units having been damaged share the deductible.



#### STANDARD UNIT BY-LAW

- The corporation is responsible to insure/repair units after damage
- Owners insure/repairs any improvements
- The by-law defines what is the standard unit
- The by-law defines what is the « standard unit »
  - 1. Corporation is responsible to insure/repair the standard units after damage
  - 2. Owners insure/repairs any improvements



## STANDARD UNIT BY-LAW

#### Benefits of this by-law

- Reduces the collective insurance cost
- More equitable to owners
- Puts the onus on owners to be careful
- Reduces disputes between insurers/owners
- Streamlines repair process
- Most of you are already insured



# OWNER'S INSURANCE COVERAGE (EXAMPLES)

	Trigon	Belair Direct	The Personal	Desjardins	Intact	Economical
Improvements/Betterments	\$44K	\$60K	\$250K	\$344K	\$500K	\$1M
Content	\$44K	\$60K	\$72K	\$98K	\$92K	
Loss of use / Living expenses	\$18K	\$18K	\$36K	\$49K	\$46K	
Unit additional protection	\$110K	\$150K				
Civil liability	\$2M	\$1M	\$2M	\$1M		
Deductible	\$1,000	\$500	\$500	\$1,000	\$500	
Cost	\$406	\$389	\$678	\$464	\$435	\$678



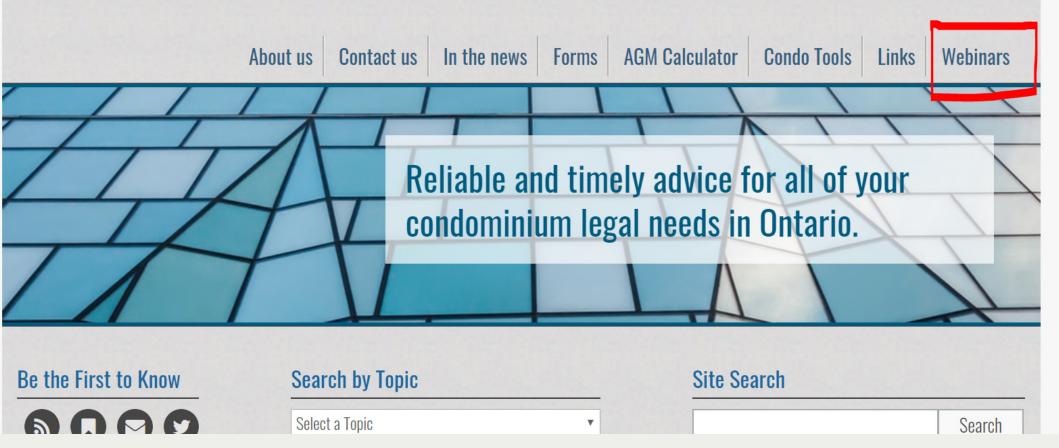
## SUMMER BREAK

- Summer break...
- Special episodes if required
- Info will posted on CondoAdviser.ca
- You will need to register again.



# CONDO ADVISER





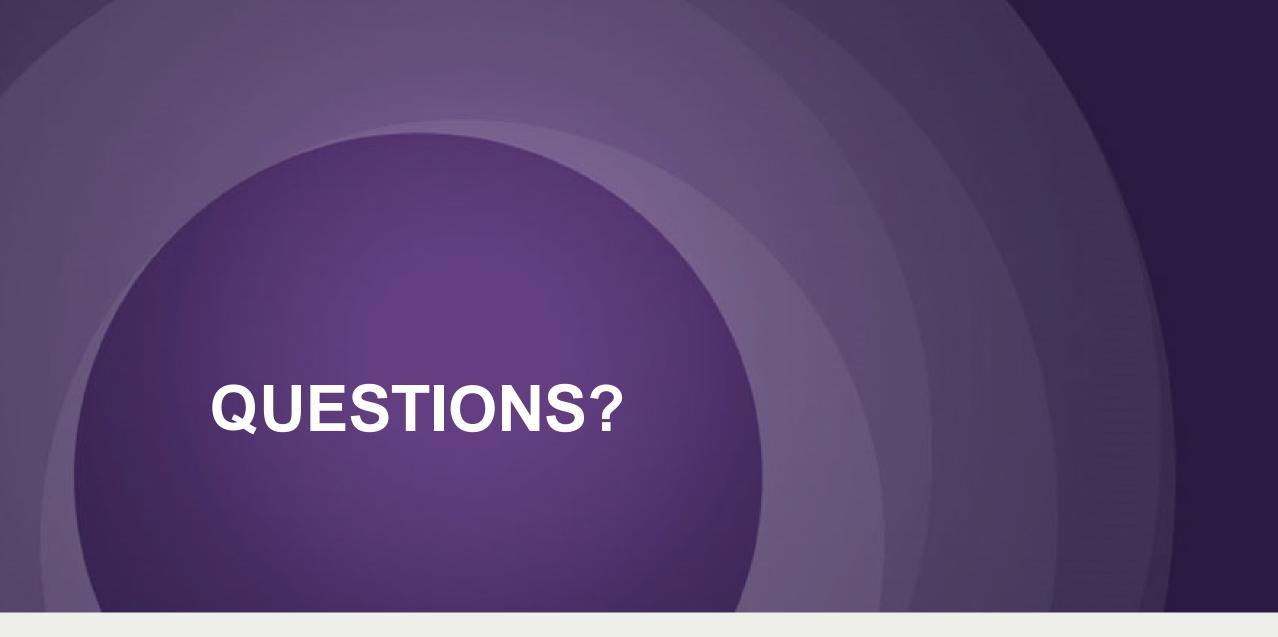


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