



**On April 8, 2021,** Ontario announced the **suspension of most residential evictions** while the province is under the state of emergency and stay at home order.

**The Landlord and Tenant Board will continue to hear cases, and it may continue to order evictions. HOWEVER, these eviction orders can't be enforced during the state of emergency, except in certain cases, including:**

- Where eviction has been ordered because of certain types of illegal activity
- Where eviction has been ordered because there is an urgent threat to safety
- Where a landlord lives on the property, the property has 3 or fewer units, and eviction has been ordered because a tenant has substantially interfered or caused damage
- Where the Landlord and Tenant Board or courts have ordered an “expedited” eviction

**This means that in most cases, the Court Enforcement Office, or local “sheriff,” cannot change the locks to your home or force you to leave during the state of emergency.**

This is not legal advice. For more information about what this means for you, please contact Community Legal Services of Ottawa: (West) 613-596-1641 (South) 613-733-0140 (Downtown) 613-241-7008

