

County of Santa Cruz

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Public Health Division

ORDER OF THE HEALTH OFFICER OF THE COUNTY OF SANTA CRUZ DIRECTING ALL INDIVIDUALS LIVING IN THE COUNTY TO CONTINUE SHELTERING AT THEIR PLACE OF RESIDENCE AND PROVIDING MODIFICATIONS TO PRIOR ORDERS

Please read this Order carefully. Violation of or failure to comply with this Order is a misdemeanor punishable by fine, imprisonment, or both. (California Health and Safety Code § 120295, et seq.; Cal. Penal Code §§ 69, 148(a)(1).)

UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF CALIFORNIA HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE SECTIONS 101040, 101085, AND 120175, THE HEALTH OFFICER OF THE COUNTY OF SANTA CRUZ ("HEALTH OFFICER") ORDERS:

- 1. This Order extends and modifies the March 31, 2020, April 29, 2020, and May 6, 2020 Orders of the Health Officer directing all individuals to shelter in place ("Prior Shelter Orders"). This Order is necessary to further slow transmission of Novel Coronavirus Disease 2019 ("COVID-19"). This Order shall become effective at 11:59 p.m. on May 26, 2020 and will continue to be in effect until July 1, 2020, unless it is extended, rescinded, superseded, or amended in writing by the Health Officer. All individuals, businesses and government agencies in the County of Santa Cruz ("County") are required to follow the provisions of this Order. This Order applies to all individuals present in the County of Santa Cruz, regardless of whether they reside in the County. Individuals who reside outside the County but are physically present within the County shall comply with this Order in all respects, regardless of the purpose of their presence. Individuals experiencing homelessness are strongly urged to obtain shelter, or continue sheltering in place, and governmental and other entities are strongly urged to make such shelter available as soon as possible, and to the maximum extent practicable (and to use Social Distancing Requirements in their operation).
- 2. This Order incorporates by reference all Orders of the State Public Health Officer (the "State Shelter Orders"), which set baseline statewide restrictions on travel and non-residential business activities effective until further notice, as well as any related Orders from the Governor of the State of California directing California residents to follow the State Shelter Orders.
- 3. The State of California is currently in Stage 2 of the COVID-19 Resilience Roadmap recovery process, and the State, through the Office of the Governor and the California Department of Public Health, has issued orders and guidance relaxing restrictions, allowing certain businesses to re-open, and allowing expanded recreational activities. By way of this Order, with the exception of those activities outlined in paragraphs 5 and 6 below, the Health Officer aligns her Prior Shelter Orders with applicable State Orders to fully join the State in Stage 2 and continue to move with the State through Stages 3 and 4 of the Resilience Roadmap. As the State continues to move further through Stages 2, 3, and 4, citizens in Santa Cruz County will be able to reopen businesses, travel, and engage in recreational activities consistent with those authorized by the State, without further modification of this Order.

Businesses are advised to carefully review State Orders and guidance to determine whether their business falls within the confines of the State Orders such that they can legally reopen. Those businesses that do not fall within those confines are prohibited from reopening and are subject to citation for violation of this Order if they open prematurely.

- 4. Any business or government entity actively engaging in business operations must prepare and post a "Social Distancing Protocol" for each of their facilities in the County frequented by the public or employees. Any active construction site must also post a Social Distancing Protocol. The Social Distancing Protocol must be substantially in the form attached to this Order as Appendix A. The Social Distancing Protocol must be posted at or near the entrance of the relevant facility or construction site and shall be easily viewable by the public and employees. A copy of the Social Distancing Protocol must also be provided to each employee performing work at the facility or construction site. All businesses and government entities shall implement the Social Distancing Protocol and provide evidence of its implementation to any authority enforcing this Order upon demand.
- 5. Beach restrictions remain in effect. All beaches in the County will be closed from 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., daily. However, during the times that beaches are closed, the ocean will remain open for water sports (e.g., surfing, boogie-boarding, swimming, paddle-boarding, kayaking, boating, etc.), and individuals may cross beaches in order to access and leave the ocean. During the times that beaches are open, they are to be used only for running, walking, cycling, water sports, or other form of physical activity. Sitting, lying, standing, sunbathing, sight-seeing, picnicking, and all other non-exercise, passive, or sedentary activities at beaches is prohibited. In addition, the following items are prohibited for use or possession on beaches for the duration of this Order: umbrellas, shade structures, tents, barbeques and grills, coolers, beach chairs, or other conveyances for sitting or lying. Beach parkways (defined as streets, sidewalks, esplanades, or parks immediately adjacent to or abutting beaches or shoreline areas) should remain open, subject to the discretion of individual facility managers to address over-use, but they may only be used for running, walking, cycling, or other form of physical activity. Sitting, lying, standing, sunbathing, sight-seeing, picnicking, and all other non-exercise, passive, or sedentary activities on beach parkways are prohibited and may result in a citation.
- 6. Lodging restrictions remain in effect. Hotels, motels, inns, bed and breakfasts, vacation rentals, RV parks, campgrounds, and any other short-term lodging businesses are prohibited from providing accommodations to any individual unless that individual is present in the County for the purpose of performing services for a business operating legally under the State Shelter Orders, a government entity, or a health care provider, or is providing care for a sick individual or self-quarantining. Prior to providing accommodation, at check-in, all lodging businesses are required to confirm that the basis for the lodging is consistent with the requirements of this Order. Lodging businesses are required to maintain written evidence that each lodger's stay is consistent with the terms of this Order (e.g., written confirmation of the purpose for a guest's stay). This evidence shall be maintained in such a manner that it may be easily audited by law enforcement officers and must be provided to law enforcement officers upon demand. Lodgers, business owners, and business operators are all subject to citation for violation of these restrictions.
- 7. All individuals are required to comply with the following Social Distancing Requirements:
 - a. Wearing a Face Covering in compliance with the April 23, 2020 Order of the Health Officer Generally Requiring Face Coverings;
 - b. Maintaining at least six-foot social distancing from individuals who are not part of the same household or living unit (except to the limited extent necessary to provide care, including childcare, adult or senior care, care to individuals with special needs, and patient care);
 - c. Frequently washing hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds, or using hand sanitizer that is recognized by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention as effective in combatting COVID-19;

- d. Covering coughs and sneezes with a tissue or fabric or, if not possible, into the sleeve or elbow (but not into hands); and
- e. Avoiding all social interaction outside the household when sick with a fever or cough.
- 8. Via this Order, the Health Officer removes her previous requirement that construction businesses and golf courses comply with the Construction Site Requirements and the Golf Site Requirements previously set forth in Appendices B and C. From this point forward, golf courses and construction businesses may operate pursuant to all applicable orders and guidance issued by the State in conjunction with ongoing modifications to the State Shelter Orders.
- 9. Pursuant to Government Code sections 8667, 26602 and 41601 and Health and Safety Code section 101029, the Health Officer requests that the Sheriff and all chiefs of police in the County ensure compliance with and enforce this Order. The violation of any provision of this Order constitutes an imminent threat and menace to public health, constitutes a public nuisance, and is punishable by fine, imprisonment, or both.
- 10. Copies of this Order shall promptly be: (1) made available at the County offices at 701 Ocean St, Santa Cruz, CA 95060; (2) posted on the County Public Health Department website (www.santacruzhealth.org); and (3) provided to any member of the public requesting a copy of this Order.
- 11. If any provision of this Order or its application to any person or circumstance is held to be invalid, the remainder of the Order, including the application of such part or provision to other persons or circumstances, shall not be affected and shall continue in full force and effect. To this end, the provisions of this Order are severable.

IT IS SO ORDERED:

Gail Newel, MD

Health Officer of the County of Santa Cruz

Dated: May 26, 2020

Approved as to Form;

Office of the County Counsel

Attachments:

Appendix A: Social Distancing Protocol

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Business name:
Facility Address:
Approximate gross square footage of space open to the public:
Businesses must implement all applicable measures listed below, and be prepared to explain why any measure that is not implemented is inapplicable to the business.
Signage:
□ Signage at each public entrance of the facility to inform all employees and customers that they should: avoid entering the facility if they have a cough or fever; maintain a minimum six-foot distance from one another; sneeze and cough into a cloth or tissue or, if not available, into one's elbow; and not shake hands or engage in any unnecessary physical contact.
☐ Signage posting a copy of the Social Distancing Protocol at each public entrance to the facility.
Measures To Protect Employee Health (check all that apply to the facility):
\square Everyone who can carry out their work duties from home has been directed to do so.
☐ All employees have been told not to come to work if sick.
☐ Symptom checks are being conducted before employees may enter the work space.
☐ All desks or individual work stations are separated by at least six feet.
☐ Break rooms, bathrooms, and other common areas are being disinfected frequently, on the following schedule: ☐ Break rooms: ☐ Bathrooms: ☐ Other:
☐ Disinfectant and related supplies are available to all employees at the following location(s):
☐ Hand sanitizer effective against COVID-19 is available to all employees at the following location(s):
☐ Soap and water are available to all employees at the following location(s):
☐ Copies of this Protocol have been distributed to all employees.
☐ Optional—Describe other measures:
Measures To Prevent Crowds From Gathering (check all that apply to the facility):
☐ Limit the number of customers in the store at any one time to [], which allows for customers and employees to easily maintain at least six-foot distance from one another at all practicable times.
\square Post an employee at the door to ensure that the maximum number of customers in the facility set forth above is not exceeded.
☐ Placing per-person limits on goods that are selling out quickly to reduce crowds and lines. Explain:

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☐ Optional—Describe other measures:
Measures To Keep People At Least Six Feet Apart (check all that apply to the facility)
☐ Placing signs outside the store reminding people to be at least six feet apart, including when in line.
☐ Placing tape or other markings at least six feet apart in customer line areas inside the store and on sidewalks at public entrances with signs directing customers to use the markings to maintain distance.
☐ Separate order areas from delivery areas to prevent customers from gathering.
☐ All employees have been instructed to maintain at least six feet distance from customers and from each other, except employees may momentarily come closer when necessary to accept payment, deliver goods or services, or as otherwise necessary.
☐ Optional—Describe other measures:
Measures To Prevent Unnecessary Contact (check all that apply to the facility):
☐ Preventing people from self-serving any items that are food-related.
\square Lids for cups and food-bar type items are provided by staff; not to customers to grab.
☐ Bulk-item food bins are not available for customer self-service use.
☐ Not permitting customers to bring their own bags, mugs, or other reusable items from home.
☐ Providing for contactless payment systems or, if not feasible, sanitizing payment systems regularly. Describe:
☐ Optional—Describe other measures (e.g. providing senior-only hours):
Measures To Increase Sanitization (check all that apply to the facility):
☐ Disinfecting wipes that are effective against COVID-19 are available near shopping carts and shopping baskets.
☐ Employee(s) assigned to disinfect carts and baskets regularly.
☐ Hand sanitizer, soap and water, or effective disinfectant is available to the public at or near the entrance of the facility, at checkout counters, and anywhere else inside the store or immediately outside where people have direct interactions.
☐ Disinfecting all payment portals, pens, and styluses after each use.
☐ Disinfecting all high-contact surfaces frequently.
☐ Optional—Describe other measures:
* Any additional measures not included here should be listed on separate pages, which the business should attach to this document.
You may contact the following person with any questions or comments about this protocol:
Name: Phone number: