



**RULE AND ORDER REQUIRING THE USE OF MASKS AND OTHER PROTECTIVE MEASURES: AMENDED MAY 25, 2021**

Pursuant to the declaration of a State-wide public health emergency on March 10, 2020, Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 111, Sections 31 and 122, 310 CMR 11.05, 105 CMR 300.200 and all other authorizing statutes and regulations, we, the members of the Truro Board of Health hereby order the following:

1. In addition to physical distancing and in an effort to protect others, all members of the public inside and within fifty (50) feet of the entrance to any Town building; on the grounds of the Town's transfer station; within fifty (50) feet of the entrances/exits of Town Beaches, inside any business requiring the wearing of masks or face-coverings, and while attending the Annual Town Meeting must wear a cloth face covering that covers their nose and mouth, such as a fabric or surgical mask. Wearing a mask is not a substitute for maintaining 6 feet of physical distancing.
2. The face covering requirements of this Order shall be in place until it is rescinded by the Board of Health, which is not anticipated prior to July 1, 2021. This Order seeks to address the crowded summer conditions and avert any artificial reduction in participation at the Annual Town Meeting. The Town also extends support to those business establishments in Truro who choose to require the public to mask in order to mitigate possible impacts from high volumes of customers and/or address situations where physical distancing is difficult, in efforts to better protect their staff and vulnerable members of the public.
3. Notwithstanding any provision in this Order, pursuant to guidance issued by the CDC face coverings should not be placed on young children under 2-years-old, anyone who has trouble breathing, anyone who is unconscious, incapacitated or otherwise unable to remove the mask without assistance, or anyone who due to disability is unable to wear a mask.
4. To the extent necessary, this Order shall be enforced by the Truro Health Agent, assistant Health Agent and Truro Police Officers.
5. Whoever violates any provision of this Order may be penalized by a noncriminal disposition process as provided in Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 40, section 21D and the Town's non-criminal disposition by-law.
6. If non-criminal disposition is elected, then any person who violates any provision of this Regulation shall be subject to: for a first offense, a written warning; for a second offense, a penalty in the amount of one hundred dollars (\$100), for a third offense, a penalty of two hundred dollars (\$200); and for a fourth or subsequent offense, a penalty in the amount of three hundred dollars (\$300.00). Each day or portion thereof shall constitute a

separate offense. If more than one, each condition violated shall constitute a separate offense.

**This Order, as amended shall be effective beginning May 25, 2021 and remain in effect until notice is given, pursuant to the Truro Board of Health's judgement that the Public Health Emergency no longer exists.**

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**Tracey Rose, Chair  
Truro Board of Health**