

RULE AND ORDER REQUIRING THE USE OF MASKS AND OTHER PROTECTIVE MEASURES

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 social distancing and in an effort to protect others, all members of the public entering any place allowed to be open to the public pursuant to Governor Baker's Covid-19 Executive Orders, including but not limited to grocery stores, gas stations, the Town's transfer station and the like must wear a cloth face covering that covers their nose and mouth, such as a fabric mask, scarf or bandana, over their nose and mouth. Wearing a mask is not a substitute for social distancing.
- 2. The cloth face coverings required are not surgical masks or N-95 respirators, which should be left for medical professionals and first responders. See the following links for information on cloth face coverings:
 - a. **Graphic:** https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/images/face-covering-checklist.jpg
 - b. **How to make a mask**: https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prevent-gettingsick/cloth-face-cover.html
 - c. How to wear/wash cloth face coverings:

 https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prevent-getting-sick/diy-cloth-face-coverings.html
- 3. The face covering requirements of this Order shall also apply to all members of the public picking up food from a restaurant or other establishment serving food to be consumed off-premises. This requirement shall apply whether the food is picked-up inside or outside. If customers are waiting in line, they shall be wearing masks and standing at least six feet apart. Establishments shall make markings on the floor to ensure that this requirement is met.
- 4. 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.
- 5. All establishments open to the public shall post a sign on their main entrance doors advising consumers that they are required to wear a face covering upon entering.

- 6. All employees of all essential businesses open to the public shall wear a face covering over their mouth and nose when interacting with the public and within six feet of a coworker. Employers shall provide face coverings to employees who do not use their own. Employers must prescribe protocols and guidelines for masks and personal protective gear, and hand sanitizer shall be provided by the employer for staff use.
- 7. Any resident or member of the general public entering or exiting a residential or commercial building complex of greater than one (1) unit must wear a face covering over their nose and mouth while in common areas and communal spaces and must exercise social distancing in these spaces in accordance with CDC guidelines. See these guidelines at: www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prevent-getting-sick/social-distancing.html
- 8. Brick and mortar establishments included on Governor Baker's list of essential businesses will be allowed to operate in accordance with the orders and guidance of the Governor and Department of Public Health, including but not limited to effective social distancing and occupancy limit measures.
- 9. To the extent necessary, this Order shall be enforced by the Truro Health Agent, assistant Health Agent and Truro Police Officers.
- 10. 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.
- 11. 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 shall be effective beginning May 1, 2020 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.

Tracey Rose, Chair

Truro Board of Health