

ORDER OF THE COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH OFFICER No. 2020-07- revised

ORDER OF THE SOLANO COUNTY HEALTH OFFICER DIRECTING PERSONS TO CONTINUE TO LIMIT ACTIVITIES AND TO CONTINUE TO SHELTER AT HOME AS REQUIRED TO REDUCE THE SPREAD OF COVID-19 AND PROVIDING REQUIREMENTS FOR BUSINESSES, ACTIVITIES, AND EVENTS TO OCCUR IN ACCORDANCE WITH STATE REQUIREMENTS AND AS AUTHORIZED BY THIS ORDER.

DATE OF ORDER: May 7, 2020, revised September 1, 2020

UPDATES TO EXHIBITS:

- **Latest update:** September 1, 2020 to amend the Order, including to amend Exhibit A and delete Exhibit B, Exhibit C and Exhibit D to eliminate risk-based designations and to refer to and incorporate State requirements (sector Industry Guidance and requirements under the State's "Blueprint for a Safer Economy") for operations of businesses, activities and events.
- **Previous updates:** May 21, 2020; May 26, 2020; June 7, 2020; June 11, 2020; June 16, 2020; July 2, 2020; July 13, 2020, July 20, 2020, and August 14, 2020.

PURSUANT TO SECTIONS 101040, 101085 AND 120175 OF THE HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE, THE COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH OFFICER FOR SOLANO COUNTY ORDERS:

1. **Effective Date.** Effective immediately and continuing until it is extended, rescinded, superseded, or amended in writing by the County Public Health Officer, this Order amends Order No. 2020-07 issued May 7, 2020, which revoked and replaced Order No. 2020-05 issued April 24, 2020, as amended by Order No. 2020-06 issued May 1, 2020, which revoked and replaced or superseded all previous Orders (the Order issued March 18, 2020, the Supplemental Order issued on March 19, 2020, and the Order issued on March 30, 2020). Unless revoked or replaced by the County Public Health Officer earlier, this Order will be rescinded upon the lifting of the California State of Emergency and rescission of California's "Stay at Home" Order (Executive Order N-33-20 as may be amended).
2. **Intent and Purpose.** The purpose of this Order is to direct persons to continue to limit activities and to continue to shelter at home as required by this Order to reduce the spread of COVID-19 and to continue to mitigate the spread of the COVID-19 to the greatest extent possible while addressing the need to gradually reopen the economy in order to ensure services when resumed are done so in a safe manner. The Order's intent is to be in alignment with Governor Newsom's Executive Order N-33-20, subsequent and future orders that supersede N-33-20, and with the overarching goal of controlling the COVID-19 pandemic. All persons in the State of California are required to comply with the Executive Orders of the Governor, except as provided in this Order. This Order is necessary to protect and preserve public health and prevent increased transmission of COVID-19 in California and Solano County, while improving overall public health outcomes by improving economic vitality within the County through a careful, limited phased reopening.
3. **Guiding Principles for Resuming Activities.** During the period of this Order, the County Public Health Officer will continue to promulgate guidelines for the phased reopening of Solano County's economy built on evidence-based public health principles for disease transmission and social distancing including but not limited to the following:
 - a. Proximity, duration and frequency of potential contacts with or potential exposure to COVID-19 and the ability to implement social distancing methods to protect from exposure for each type of business and organization.

- b. Limiting the number of persons allowed to congregate in one setting/gathering to, in the event of a localized outbreak, limit the number of persons who are exposed and the consequences of that exposure.
 - c. Mitigating factors grounded in scientific evidence to reduce individual COVID-19 exposure. For example, the consensus of medical and public health professionals is that the evidence supports the following interventions: maintaining physical distancing of six feet or more from another individual as much as feasible to reduce contamination from droplets, practicing thorough hygiene and respiratory etiquette, regular cleaning and disinfection of high use surfaces, not touching our faces to prevent introduction of the virus from our hands to our eyes, nose, and mouth and subsequently our bodies, and staying home when having symptoms concerning for COVID-19 including fever, cough, sore throat and shortness of breath to reduce the spread of the virus to others outside the household. Finally, it is prudent to reduce the ability of asymptomatic infectious persons to spread the virus to others unwittingly.
4. **Restricted Activities.** Public and private gatherings of any number of people, including places of work, occurring outside a single household or living unit, are prohibited, except for the following:
- a. Members of the same household or living unit. [In situations where a gathering of people from different households or living units is held, then the following must be implemented: practice social distancing, including wearing a mask, if possible; elder relatives must stay at home and connect over media; gather outdoors instead of inside; have fewer people gather together to minimize the number of people potentially exposed; avoid sharing food or utensils; avoid singing, chanting or shouting.](#)
 - b. Businesses, organizations or activities that meet all requirements ([guidance, directives and orders](#)) [from the State of California](#) and comply with the requirements of this Order and any guidelines promulgated by the County Public Health Officer, which will be modified in response to the acuity levels of COVID-19 in Solano County. [Refer to Exhibit A for requirements.](#) No business, organization, or individual shall engage in [a business, activity, or event except as allowed by the State of California](#) and as authorized through guidelines promulgated by the County Public Health Officer. [Each person](#) shall ensure adherence to all [requirements](#) described or referenced in this Order and any promulgated guidelines applicable to the [business, activity or event](#) and shall deny access to and/or use all reasonable efforts to address circumstances where required social or physical distancing is not being utilized in compliance with this Order. The failure to effectively comply with this Order may result in revocation of authority to engage in business activity for the extent of this Order.
5. **Social Distancing.**
- a. Social distancing is maintaining at least a six-foot separation from all persons, except for family members or those in the same household or living unit or by providing a comparable level of protection against exposure to respiratory droplets or secretions through the use of personal protective equipment, including cloth face mask and disposable gloves, or other physical or administrative controls.
 - b. [Community members must adhere to the California Department of Public Health's Guidance for the Use of Face Coverings.](#)
 - c. A strong recommendation is made for persons exhibiting symptoms of COVID-19 to self-isolate in their place of residence unless they are seeking medical care.

6. **High-Risk Populations**

- a. Older people (65 years and older) and/or those with compromised immune systems, and people with certain underlying health conditions, particularly heart disease, lung disease or diabetes, for example, appear to be at greater risk of serious illness. A strong recommendation is made that these high risk populations continue to self-isolate at home and adhere to guidance as communicated by the California Department of Public Health (CDPH), which includes the following (among other items) and can be found at <https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/DCDC/Pages/COVID-19/PublicHealthGuidanceSelfIsolationforOlderAdultsandThoseWhoHaveElevatedRisk.aspx>:
- (1) Avoid crowds, mass gatherings or large events, and public transit, and stay home as much as possible.
 - (2) Clean and disinfect your home to remove germs: practice routine cleaning of frequently touched surfaces.
 - (3) Use “respiratory etiquette.” Cover coughs and sneezes with a tissue or a sleeve.
 - (4) Review and update your personal emergency plan.
- b. As the County continues to assess potential rollbacks on restrictions, additional requirements to protect high-risk populations may be necessary.

7. **General COVID-19 Business Precautions** All businesses, shall enact social distancing, increase sanitation standards, and shall make every effort to use telecommuting, or other methods for their workforce as practical. All businesses should suspend any policy or procedure requiring doctor verification for sick leave or other leave approval, except that any healthcare operation or health-care related business may continue to enforce any policy or procedure requiring doctor verification for sick or other leave approval.

8. **Enforcement.** Pursuant to Health and Safety Code section 120175.5(b) all governmental entities in the County shall take necessary measures within the governmental entity’s control to ensure compliance with this Order and to disseminate this Order to venues or locations within the entity’s control where gatherings occur. Violation of this Order is subject to fine, imprisonment, or both (California Health and Safety Code section 120295). To the extent necessary and feasible, this Order may be enforced by the Sheriff or chiefs of police pursuant to Government Code sections 26602 and 41601 and Health and Safety Code section 101029.

As this is a rapidly evolving situation, this Order may be revised from time to time.

IT IS SO ORDERED:

Date: September 1, 2020



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Exhibit A – Requirements for Businesses, Activities and Events

On August 28, 2020, the State of California created a new tiered framework - a Blueprint for a Safer Economy (Blueprint) - to reduce COVID-19. Using a tier-based system within this Blueprint, the state has revised the criteria for loosening or tightening activities. Every county in California is assigned to a tier (widespread (Tier 1), substantial (Tier 2), moderate (Tier 3) or minimal (Tier 4)), based on its rate of new cases and test positivity. Counties must remain in a tier for at least three weeks and meet the next tier's criteria for at least 2 weeks before moving to the next tier. As of August 28, 2020, Solano County is assigned **Widespread (Tier 1)** by the State.

Effective September 1, 2020, based upon requirements released by the State on August 28, 2020, all businesses, activities and events must follow State requirements, including meeting the State's Industry Guidance and the State's criteria for the specific Blueprint tier assigned to Solano County by the State at any given time. The state requirements can be found linked at the Solano County Public Health's web page at <http://solanocounty.com/depts/ph/coronavirus.asp> or by going directly to the State's COVID-19 web site at <https://covid19.ca.gov/safer-economy/>. These requirements are as follows:

- Follow the State's Employer Playbook for a Safe Reopening to help plan and prepare for reopening your business.
- Implement the State's requirements for wearing a mask or face covering, which can be found under Reopen your business or facility safely at <https://covid19.ca.gov/industry-guidance/>.
- Follow the items listed below before reopening:
 - Thoroughly review the State's Industry Guidance applicable for the specific business, activity or event.
 - Implement any additional requirements based on Solano County's specific tier assignment for the business, activity or event.
 - Perform a detailed risk assessment and create a worksite-specific protection plan.
 - Train employees on how to limit the spread of COVID-19. This includes how to screen themselves for symptoms and when to stay home.
 - Set up individual control measures and screenings.
 - Put disinfection protocols in place.
 - Establish physical distancing guidelines.
 - Establish universal face covering requirements (with allowed exceptions). See CDPH guidelines (PDF).
 - Post a completed State COVID-19 General Checklist so everyone can know the steps taken. Additional safety measures can be added to the ones included in the applicable Industry Guidance. This will be included as part of the Written Plan. In Solano County, instead of posting the Written Plan itself, you may post a sign stating that there is a Written Plan available for review and stating the name and phone number of a person who can be contacted regarding details of the Written Plan. A sample Written Plan entrance sign can be found on the County's website at <http://www.solanocounty.com/civicax/filebank/blobdload.aspx?blobid=32285>. The Written Plan must be made available upon request.

Golf Courses and Outdoor Recreation shall conform to requirements in Appendix A- Golf Course or Appendix B – Outdoor recreation as applicable.

Exhibit A, Appendix A – Golf Courses

All golf courses in the County may be opened for limited use. Golf may resume on all golf courses with groups of no more than four persons subject to full compliance with the requirements for golf courses and driving ranges:

- a. The owner or manager of each golfing site shall provide security or patrolling to ensure golfers' compliance with the all requirements of this Order.
- b. A minimum 6-foot distance shall be maintained between all persons unless from the same household.
- c. No shared equipment.
- d. Walking or single rider carts (unless same household, or if a fixed, protective partition is provided between all riders/driver in the same cart). If rented drive or push/pull carts are used, then they shall be cleaned and sanitized after each use by an assigned employee.
- e. No tournament style events that involve the gathering of spectators. Tournament style events involving charitable activities or golf associations are allowed provide such events follow these guidelines and are held without spectators. Tournament score cards may be used but must be submitted in such a manner that limits contact with the cards themselves.
- f. No private lessons, group instruction or clinics.
- g. No privately-owned golf club cleaning by employees is allowed.
- h. Check in for round must require no physical interaction with golf site staff, who must stay six feet or more from golfers.
- i. All hand towels, ice chests with water, seed/sand bottles, on-course bunker rakes, ball washers, community tees, scorecards and pencils, and all on-course water stations shall be removed.
- j. Cover cups, or create a barrier, including lifting the cup 1" above the putting surface to ensure that the ball cannot be holed.
- k. Flag sticks must be removed or cups must be adjusted to prevent the ball from being holed or a mechanism, device or other apparatus must be installed to allow removal of a cupped ball without touching the flag or cup.
- l. Driving Range Restrictions:
 1. Hitting stations will be a minimum of six feet apart.
 2. Balls will be thoroughly cleaned with soap, bleach or disinfectant after each pick of the range and before they are placed back on the range.
 3. All range staff attendants must wear gloves and are strongly urged to wear cloth face coverings.
 4. Golf clubs, range buckets, and any other shared equipment must be cleaned and sanitized after each golfer use.
- m. Post, in areas visible to all workers, required hygienic practices including not touching face with unwashed hands or with gloves; washing hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds; use of hand sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol, cleaning and disinfecting frequently touched objects and surfaces such as workstations, keyboards, telephones, handrails, machines, shared tools, and doorknobs; covering the mouth and nose when coughing or sneezing as well as other hygienic recommendations by the CDC.
- n. A sign is placed at each entrance to the pro shop, locker room, dining area, and other relevant buildings to inform all employees and golfers that they should:
 1. Avoid entering the facility if they feel sick, or have a cough or fever
 2. Maintain a minimum six-foot distance from anyone who is not a household member;
 3. Sneeze and cough into a cloth or tissue or, if not available, into one's elbow
 4. Not shake hands or engage in any unnecessary physical contact; and
 5. Wearing a face covering is strongly recommended.
- o. Dining areas may only remain open for grab-and-go food service or delivery.
- p. Golfers must leave the property immediately after playing to eliminate congestion.

- q. The number of customers in the pro shop at any one time shall be limited and monitored so that customers and employees may easily maintain at least six-foot distance from one another at all practicable times.
- r. The number of golfers in the locker room at any one time shall be limited and monitored to allow for users to easily maintain at least six-foot distance from one another at all practicable times.
- s. Golf courses and driving ranges shall designate a site-specific COVID-19 supervisor to enforce these requirements. The designated COVID-19 supervisor shall be present on site at all times during golfing activities. The COVID19 supervisor can be an on-site worker who is designated to carry this role.

Exhibit A, Appendix B – Outdoor Recreation

1. Outdoor recreation, such as, by way of example and without limitation, walking, hiking, bicycling, mountain biking, golfing, and running, as authorized by the California State Public Health Officer, provided that individuals comply with Social Distancing requirements set forth in this Order and the following:
 - a. Unless otherwise authorized by the State Public Health Officer, participation in outdoor recreation shall be limited to non-contact sports, unless engaged in by members of the same household or living unit, in which case, contact sports are allowed.
 - b. Golf courses must abide by the directives as promulgated by the County Public Health Officer.
 - c. Sports or activities that include the use of shared equipment may only be engaged in by members of the same household or living unit, except as allowed by State guidance.
 - d. All boat ramps and launches, public or private, may be opened for limited use subject to compliance by all facilities and individuals to the Social Distancing requirements and directive of the California State Public Health Officer.
 - e. To the extent necessary to ensure individuals are able to comply with social distancing requirements with reasonable effort, every entity that manages facilities or activities covered by this Order shall take appropriate measures to reduce crowding by, among other things, restricting the number of entrants and/or closing areas to vehicular access and parking.
 - f. General recreational use of outdoor public pools is allowed in compliance with applicable State Industry Guidance and State [Blueprint for a Safer Economy tier](#).
 - g. Compliance with any other directive issued by the County Public Health Officer.
 - h. Youth Sports must follow applicable State guidance. As of August 31, 2020, this is the [COVID-19 INTERIM GUIDANCE: Youth Sports](#) found at www.covid19.ca.gov.
 - i. Outdoor recreation shall also comply with the State's [COVID-19 INDUSTRY GUIDANCE: Campgrounds, RV Parks, and Outdoor Recreation](#) which can be found at www.covid19.ca.gov.