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# PRESS RELEASE

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## City of Pacifica – Coronavirus Update (as of June 19, 2020) County Health Officer Order No. c19-11

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE (Pacifica, CA) – On June 17, 2020, the County Health Officer issued Order No. c19-11 (“Order”) rescinding and replacing the prior shelter in place order of June 4, 2020.

This new Order is effective immediately and is intended to fully harmonize the County with the State as to the activities and businesses allowed. If an activity or business is allowed under the March 19, 2020 Order of the State Public Health Officer as subsequently interpreted or modified by the State, the intention is that it is allowed under the County Order. Further, as the State continues to allow additional activities and businesses in variance counties, such as the County of San Mateo, it is the Health Officer’s intention that those activities and businesses will automatically be allowed. However, the Order provides for certain additional behavioral requirements to ensure continued social distancing and limit person-to-person contact to reduce the rate of transmission of Novel Coronavirus Disease 2019 (“COVID-19”) including face coverings, social distancing and socializing through social bubbles.

A summary of the Order is provided below but the full Order can be read [here](#). The City is currently reviewing the Order to determine the implications of the Order on certain City facilities and programs.

### BUSINESSES

The safety requirements for businesses are outlined in the Order and various appendices. The Order, in accordance with State Guidelines, allows the following businesses to now produce and post health and safety plans and resume operations:

- Dine-in restaurants
- Hair salons and barber shops
- Casinos
- Family entertainment centers
- Restaurants, wineries and bars

- Zoos and museums
- Gyms and fitness centers
- Hotels (for tourism and individual travel)
- Cardrooms and racetracks
- Campgrounds and certain outdoor recreation

Per the State's guidelines, personal services like nail salons, body waxing, and tattoo parlors may create safety plans and resume operations on June 19, 2020

Additional information from the State may be found here:

<https://covid19.ca.gov/stay-home-except-for-essential-needs/>

Businesses are also required to adhere to industry-specific guidelines from the State, which may be found here: <https://covid19.ca.gov/industry-guidance/>

And here: <https://covid19.ca.gov/roadmap-counties/>

### GATHERINGS

Gatherings of any size outside the household remain discouraged and all public and private gatherings must not exceed 50 people. However, the County's cap on gatherings is not meant to supersede the State's order allowing groups to protest and worship outdoors without a cap on attendance. Any gatherings of 50 or less must still adhere to social distancing and face covering requirements (unless all the individuals gathering are part of the same social bubble as discussed below)

### SOCIAL BUBBLES

A social bubble is a group of twelve or fewer people from different households or living units who have agreed to socialize only with members of their social bubble group. A social bubble must be maintained for a minimum of three weeks, and people can only be members of one social bubble at a time. While face coverings and social distancing are always recommended, according to the Order, members of a social bubble do not have to adhere to these requirements when they are with members of their social bubble in outdoor settings.

### FACE COVERINGS

As the Order follows the State Roadmap, face covering and social distancing requirements remain in place. The following is a summary of the Order's direction on face coverings and when those face coverings are specifically required and not required.

Required:

- Inside or in line to enter businesses such as grocery stores, laundromats, in hospitals, clinics, and on public transit (including BART and ride shares)
- For drivers or operators of public transportation, private car service or ride shares, while driving regardless of whether a member of the public is in the vehicle or not

- For employees, contractors, owners, and volunteers in the workplace and off-site when they are interacting in person with the public or working in any public space (regardless of whether anyone from the public is present)
- Anywhere where food is prepared or packaged
- When working in or walking through common areas (i.e. hallways, stairways, elevators, and parking facilities) and any other room or enclosed area where other people are present (this does not include members of a person's home)

Not Required:

- While driving alone or with family members in a vehicle not used commercially
- Recommended: outdoor recreation (social distancing requirements still hold)
- Children under the age of 12
- Children under 2 must not wear them at all due to risk of suffocation

It is important to note that if there is any conflict between the County Order and any State public health orders relating to COVID-19, including the State's recent guidelines issued on June 18, 2020 requiring face coverings in identified high risk situations, the stricter requirements take precedence over the other. The State's guidance regarding face coverings can be found [here](#).

While tools to strengthen containment of COVID-19 are put into place, the social distancing intervention and face mask requirements have slowed the increase of new cases and prevented the anticipated medical surge. As some restrictions are eased, it is critical that we all do our part to continue to comply with the County Order to protect the health and safety of our community.

For the latest updates on the City's response efforts to COVID-19 please visit:  
<https://www.cityofpacific.org/about/coronavirus/default.asp>.

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