

Press Release

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Date: Wednesday, May 27, 2020

From: City of Sanger

Title: COVID 19 – Emergency Order Masking Requirements **Effective 5:00 PM on Wednesday, May 27, 2020.**

Text: To protect the health of the public and to conform to the statewide “shelter in place” order relating to city-wide face mask/covering requirements within the City of Sanger to until further notice subject to the following order.

EMERGENCY ORDER – City-wide Face mask Requirements

As the Director of Emergency Services pursuant to Sanger City Code Chapter 26, Article I, consistent with the Health Officer of the County of Fresno May 22, 2020 order, and by the powers vested in me by Sanger City Code Section 26–6, I hereby issue the following orders, to be effective immediately and for so long as the City’s declared emergency is in effect related to COVID-19:

- 1) Mask Definition: A cloth mask or equivalent that covers both the mouth and nose. Face covering with one-way exhalation valves are not sufficient to comply with this order
- 2) To facilitate safe business reopening in Phase 2 of the State roadmap to modify the Stay-At-Home Order, all Sanger residents SHALL use cloth mask or equivalent face covering while indoors at work, while visiting a business, or while coming in close contact with someone (less than six (6) feet) with someone who is not a family member, in accordance with CDC guidelines to prevent the spread of respiratory droplets when physical distancing cannot be maintained.
 - a) Face coverings with one-way exhalation valves are not sufficient to comply with this order.
 - b) Adults with respiratory illnesses, certain medical conditions, and children under 12 years old are excused from the use of face coverings due to suffocation risk; however, they should still comply with social distancing requirements of at least six (6) feet from other outside of the household.
 - c) Hands should be clean when mask are being placed or removed, and hand-to-face activity kept to a minimum to prevent the introduction of viral droplets to the airways.
 - d) This requirement is to help slow the spread of the novel coronavirus in situations where social distancing is not maintained due to social spacing or professional conditions.
 - e) Compliance from all residents and visitors within the City is requested, and businesses are required to inform employees and post signage about their specific masking policies.
 - f) Individuals at a restaurant are exempt from this requirement while dining only. Mask must be worn while waiting to be seated and while away from the dining table.
 - g) Additional guidance related to masking in schools and those businesses permitted to reopen in Phase 3 will be made separately.

- 3) The Sanger Police Department and Sanger Code Enforcement Division shall enforce this Order.
- 4) The Order shall be subject to amendment or repeal at any time, and shall not be deemed to confer any contractual obligations, property rights, or assume any City liability.
- 5) If any provision of this Order or its application to any person or circumstance is held to be invalid, then 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.
- 6) This Order shall be immediately translated into Spanish, and accommodations made for all disabled persons to read its contents; it shall also be distributed to all local media and made prominently available on the City's website.
- 7) Sanger Police Department, Sanger Code Enforcement Department, and other law enforcement authorities cooperating with the City of Sanger, are hereby authorized and charged, to the extent provided by law, with the responsibility of enforcing this regulation. Any violations of this regulations shall be punished as provided in Sanger City Code Section 1-7.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Director of Emergency Services



Tim Chapa, City Manager
May 27, 2020