



## **EMERGENCY ORDER NO. 4.0 REINSTITUTING MANDATORY MASKING REQUIREMENTS.**

**Emergency Order No 4.0 – Effective 11:59 p.m., August 19, 2021.**

**Cases have been on the rise throughout the State of Alaska and also here in Dillingham and the Dillingham Census area. The number of positive cases now requires that the City put this Emergency Order in place requiring masks in public places. EO was created in concert with Public Health Experts and State of Alaska Epidemiology.**

- 1) Face Coverings.** Measures identified by the CDC, and AK DHSS as instrumental in slowing / stopping the spread of COVID-19 to be implemented:
  - a) Cloth Face Coverings. All persons must wear well-fitting masks or cloth coverings over their noses and mouths when they are indoors in public settings around people who don't live in your household or communal spaces outside the home where physical distancing is not possible and in all places of business. This order is subject to the following conditions and exceptions:
  - b) Face coverings should not be placed on children under age 2, or young children who are unable to wear one without assistance.
  - c) Face coverings should not be worn by anyone who has a valid medical reason that causes trouble breathing, or is unconscious, incapacitated, or otherwise unable to remove the mask without assistance.
  - d) A person may decline to wear a face covering because of a valid medical condition or disability. The person must avoid all public locations. The person shall make other arrangements to have someone buy groceries, pick-up their mail, and any location where close proximity to others is possible.
  - e) Brief removal of face covering, such as necessary to eat, drink, or scratch an itch does not constitute a violation of this order.
  - f) A business owner or operator of a building open to the public may refuse admission or service to any individual who fails to wear face coverings as required by this ordinance.
  - g) A cloth face covering may be factory-made, sewn by hand, or can be improvised from household items such as scarfs, T-shirts, sweatshirts or towels.
  - h) Exception: This section does not apply to the Dillingham City School District (DCSD) physical education courses and/or DCSD athletic/student activities. During these periods of increased student physical exertion, the DCSD will have oversight of and will implement mitigations as recommended by the Alaska School Activities Association (ASAA) and will also utilize district-developed mitigation strategies.

## 2) Cleanliness Standards.

- a) All businesses in Dillingham shall implement the plan incorporated in the Dec 2020 as required by EO 1.1, CDC standards for applicable hygiene, cleaning and disinfecting procedures as circumstances necessitate; including but not limited to:
- b) Clean and disinfect frequently touched surfaces regularly. This includes tables, doorknobs, light switches, countertops, handles, desks, phones, keyboards, toilets, faucets, and sinks.
- c) All Critical Infrastructure businesses must provide the City of Dillingham a copy of the Community/Workforce Protective Plan (CWPP) required by and submitted to the State of Alaska and any amendments thereafter.

## 3) Quarantine. All persons entering the City should get tested 1-3 days before traveling and test 3-5 days after arriving. If a test is positive the person must isolate as described in Section 5. A newly arriving person who is unvaccinated should also stay home and quarantine for 7 days, per CDC travel guidelines.

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/travelers/index.html>

- a) Per Alaska DHSS Testing Guidance: All unvaccinated persons who are identified as a “close contact” to a confirmed case using CDC’s definition of close contact must quarantine (see 3 b for quarantine requirements). Discontinuation of quarantine should follow direction of public health
- b) Quarantine requirements.
  - i) Symptom Monitoring: People should monitor for symptoms for 14 days; if symptoms arise, they should self-isolate and get tested promptly. All protective measures must be continued for the full 14 days when outside the quarantine location.
  - ii) Quarantine Location: That location identified by the person quarantining that is safe, offers sanitary facilities, and can provide necessary space for quarantine purposes.
  - iii) Social Distancing will be maintained within quarantine locations to the maximum extent possible, including but not limited to the use of face masks, as recommended by the CDC.
- c) While in quarantine no person shall leave their quarantine location for any reason other than:
  - i) To receive non-elective medical care.
  - ii) To be tested for COVID-19.
  - iii) To engage in subsistence activities provided the same can be accomplished in a manner that avoids the potential spread of the virus to others in the community.
  - iv) To travel in your personal vehicle or vessel, individually or with members of your household, so long as you go directly from the quarantine location to the vehicle or vessel and directly back to the quarantine location without contacting others.
  - v) To get outside for fresh air, walk, and exercise as long as all mandated protective measures are followed.
  - vi) To leave Dillingham.
- d) Persons who leave the quarantine location pursuant to Section 3 c shall follow all measures in Section 1.
- e) Entry to quarantine location is limited to the following:
  - i) Persons in quarantine.

- ii) Persons providing required goods or services for critical personal needs, and critical infrastructure needs.
- iii) Persons providing medical care to a person in that location.
- f) Quarantine requirements established by this order shall survive any subsequent changes to or suspensions of State of Alaska Health Orders.

**4) Testing.** Testing shall be obtained in the following circumstances. *If testing is refused a mandatory quarantine of 14 days should be observed.*

- a) People who have had close contact (as defined by the CDC and AK DHSS) with someone confirmed with COVID-19.
- b) People who have been asked or referred to get testing by healthcare providers.

**5) Mandatory Isolation.** Any person who tests positive for COVID-19 shall immediately self-isolate and monitor for symptoms.

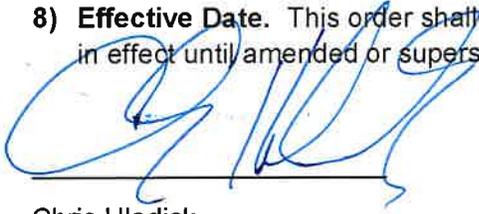
- a) Persons shall isolate at one the following:
  - i) In a home with a specific 'sick room', or
  - ii) In a designated isolation site managed by their employer, or
  - iii) A separate bathroom facility shall be used for isolation when possible. If one is not available, strict cleanliness procedures must be maintained.
- b) In adherence to CDC procedures, the period of isolation shall be a minimum of;
  - i) For persons with COVID-19 illness, isolation and precautions can be discontinued 10 days after symptom onset and resolution of fever for at least 24 hours, without the use of fever-reducing medications, and with improvement of other symptoms.
  - ii) For persons who never develop symptoms, isolation and other precautions can be discontinued 10 days after the date of their first positive test for SARS-CoV-2.
  - iii) Discontinuation of isolation prior to 10 days for asymptomatic COVID positive persons may be done with direction by public health with additional testing.

**6) Restricted Use of City Facilities for Health and Safety of All Users.**

- a) No person may use any city facilities, including, but not limited to, all city port facilities governed by DMC 2.42, unless the person:
  - i) Does not present with any symptoms of COVID-19; and
  - ii) Has completed any required quarantine and/or testing mandated by City of Dillingham Emergency Ordinances, or
  - iii) Is using city facilities to leave Dillingham to complete their required quarantine outside the City.

**7) Implementation Process.** Periodically this Emergency Order will be updated as the pandemic situation changes across the nation and the State of Alaska. The Interim City Manager will convene and consult with local medical authorities, on an as needed basis to review response activities and assess the situation. He will also consult with the City Attorney, and other local and state experts as necessary

**8) Effective Date.** This order shall go into effect at 11:59 p.m. on August 19, 2021 and remain in effect until amended or superseded.



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