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Face coverings required in court facilities.

The response to COVID-19 has impacted access to courthouses and may change the way cases are handled.

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COVID-19 Information

Hennepin County has implemented additional requirements for entry to all county buildings, which include all Hennepin County District Court courthouses. All visitors will be required to:

- Wear a face covering
- Maintain 6 feet of social distance.

Do not enter the building if you have had any COVID-19 symptoms.

Courthouse public service counters have varied hours of operations. Please call **(612) 348-6000** with any questions. Public access terminals are open by appointment only. To reserve a terminal, please call **(612) 348-6000** and ask for the Centralized Records Center.

You will be required to follow Minnesota Department of Health social distancing guidelines while in the courthouse. Learn more about safety measures all courthouses are following to reduce the spread of COVID-19 by visiting the Reopening webpage.

[Learn more about how courts have responded to COVID-19 by the Emergency webpage.](#)

Remote hearings will continue to take place and Self-Help Center services will continue to be conducted by phone and email only.

If you have a court case scheduled in Hennepin County District Court call **(612) 348-6000** to determine if your case will be heard or scheduled to a future date. You may also contact the court by email and use the dropdown menu to select the appropriate county.

Local court operations changes are available on the **COVID-19 Information Guide**. Additional orders regarding court operations are below:

- Order re DOCCR authority to release PV arrestees in Coronavirus situation 6-30-2020
 - Order re DOCCR authority to release PV arrestees in Coronavirus situation 4-29-2020
- Order re pilot in-custody speedy demand jury trials 5-22-2020
- Order re face coverings in courtrooms 5-20-2020
- Order re Access to Judicial District Courthouses (Transitional Phase) 5-18-2020
- Order re partial courtroom closure 5-18-2020

- Order re Hennepin County Juvenile Detention Center and Hennepin County Home School 5-18-2020
- Order re DOCCR authority to use EHM and delay reports in Coronavirus situation 5-1-2020
- Order re Brookdale and Ridgedale temporary closure 5-1-2020
- Order re Juvenile Court Operations during Peacetime Declaration of Emergency 3-31-2020
- Order Declaring Certain Housing-Eviction Matters Non-Public 3-31-2020

The **COVID-19 Information Guide** also explains what to do if you cannot determine from the Information Guide how your case is being handled. Instead of coming to court with your questions about Hennepin County cases, please call the phone numbers in the Information Guide so we can avoid all unnecessary traffic at our courthouse facilities. Additional details are available in the COVID-19-related Courtroom Practices Guide.