

JACKSON COUNTY, MISSOURI

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AMENDED ORDER OF JACKSON COUNTY EXECUTIVE FRANK WHITE, JR., JACKSON COUNTY HEALTH DIRECTOR BRIDGETTE SHAFFER, AND JACKSON COUNTY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COORDINATOR TROY M. SCHULTE DIRECTING ALL INDIVIDUALS LIVING IN, AND BUSINESSES OR ENTITIES OPERATING IN, JACKSON COUNTY, MISSOURI, EXCEPT KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI, AND INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI, TO ADHERE TO THE PROVISIONS OF THE ORDER AS OUTLINED BELOW.

DATE OF ORDER: APRIL 30, 2021

Please read this Order carefully. Pursuant to §192.300 R.S.Mo. and §192.320 R.S.Mo., violation of or failure to comply with this Order is a class A misdemeanor punishable by fine, imprisonment, or both.

UNDER THE AUTHORITY GRANTED INDIVIDUALLY AND COLLECTIVELY BY THE RELEVANT PROVISIONS OF THE MISSOURI STATE CONSTITUTION, STATUTES, REGULATIONS, AS WELL AS BY RELEVANT PROVISIONS OF THE HOME RULE CHARTER OF JACKSON COUNTY AND COUNTY CODE PROVISIONS, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO: THE MISSOURI CODE OF STATE REGULATIONS, RULES OF DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND SENIOR SERVICES (19 CSR 20-20.020; 19 CSR 20-20.030; 19 CSR 20-20.040; 19 CSR 20-20.050) AND JACKSON COUNTY CODE CHAPTER 40, THE JACKSON COUNTY EXECUTIVE, JACKSON COUNTY HEALTH DIRECTOR, AND JACKSON COUNTY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COORDINATOR DO HEREBY ORDER:

1. This Order revises restrictions in Eastern Jackson County as follows:

As of the effective date and time of this Order set forth below, **APRIL 30th, 2021**, all individuals, businesses, and government agencies in Jackson County, Missouri, excluding Kansas City, Missouri and Independence, Missouri, are required to follow the provisions of this Order.

2. The required Criteria in this Order is as follows:

- a) Criteria

- i. Face Coverings

1. Definition: For purposes of this order, a face covering means a cloth face covering that covers the nose and mouth. It can be:

- A sewn mask secured with ties or straps around the head or behind the ears;
- Multiple layers of fabric tied around the head;
- Made from a variety of materials, such as fleece, cotton, or linen; or
- Factory-made or made from household items.

2. Requirement:

- **All persons over the age of five, including employees or visitors, present at any indoor business or public accommodation must wear a face mask or covering, unless otherwise stated in this Order.**
- When in a public indoor space (including a workplace, business, school, or public facility such as a community center or library) individuals are required to wear a mask covering the nose and mouth.
 - Masks should be positioned carefully over the mouth and nose and should not be touched or readjusted until such time as the mask is removed. Hand hygiene is encouraged before taking masks off and prior to re-masking.
 - Masks are not required inside a solitary, enclosed workspace such as office.
 - Masks may be removed in restaurants and bars when individuals are actively eating or drinking but must be worn at all times otherwise.
- The following individuals are exempt from the requirement to wear a face covering:
 - Those who are deaf or hard of hearing
 - Children younger than five years old; and
 - Children who are younger than two years old should never wear face coverings due to the risk of suffocation.
 - Children who are two, three, or four years old, with the assistance and close supervision of an adult, are strongly recommended to wear a face covering at all times in settings, like grocery stores or pharmacies, where it is likely that a distance

of at least six feet cannot be maintained from non-household members and vulnerable people must go.

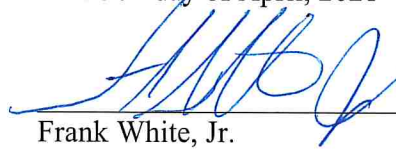
- Persons with a medical condition, mental health condition, or disability that prevents wearing a face covering. This includes, but is not limited to, persons with a medical condition for whom wearing a face covering could obstruct breathing or who are unconscious, incapacitated, or otherwise unable to remove a face covering without assistance.
 - Businesses shall deny entry to and refuse to serve members of the public who refuse to wear face coverings indoors, unless a medical exemption applies or the individual is a child under the age of five. A business shall neither require the individual to produce medical documentation verifying a medical condition or disability, nor ask about the nature of a medical condition or disability. Businesses are encouraged to offer members of the public alternatives to in-person shopping such as curbside pickup and delivery.
 - ii. Restaurants, taverns, and all other venues, including public and private or membership-only event spaces, serving food and drink indoors and/or outdoors may now open at full capacity with normal business hours. Indoor patrons must be masked at all times except when actively eating or drinking.
 - iii. Gyms, fitness, and recreational centers, including publicly-owned and managed facilities, may reopen at full capacity with normal business hours, but are subject to all rules within this Order, including the requirement that all patrons wear masks indoors at all times.
 - 1. If you are unable to wear a mask because of difficulty breathing during high intensity activities, choose an outdoor location with greater ventilation and air exchange and where social distancing from others can be guaranteed. Participants may consult with their primary care provider to determine if mask wearing while partaking in vigorous physical activity is safe for them.
 - iv. Gatherings: including, but not limited to, non-essential business activities, such as: weddings, funerals, lectures, meetings, parades, fairs, festivals, sporting events, and performances may resume as normal but must maintain masking (if indoors).
 - v. Per CDC guidance, small gatherings, indoor and outdoor, of fully vaccinated individuals are permitted without restriction.
 - vi. Per CDC guidance, large gatherings are still discouraged at this time.
3. Polling locations and their staff (paid and volunteer) shall be considered essential businesses and workers. To the maximum extent possible, we recommend that they

follow social distancing guidelines promulgated by federal, state, and local health authorities.

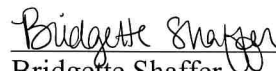
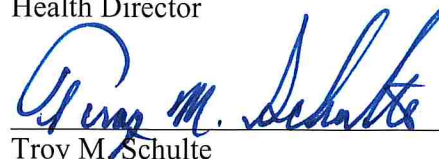
6. Pursuant to §192.300 R.S.Mo. and §192.320 R.S.Mo., the Health Director requests that the Sheriff, all chiefs of police, Park Rangers in the County, and the Jackson County Environmental Health Department ensure compliance with and enforcement of this Order. The violation of any provision of this Order constitutes an imminent threat and menace to public health, constitutes a public nuisance, and is punishable by fine, imprisonment, or both.
7. **This Order shall be effective at 12:01 a.m., on APRIL 30th, 2021**, and will continue to be in effect until it is extended, rescinded, superseded, or amended in writing by the County Executive, Health Director, and Emergency Management Coordinator.
8. The County will consistently monitor data regarding COVID-19 rates in Jackson County and reserves the right to further amend this Order in accordance with infection rates, CDC guidelines, and any other relevant information which indicates the necessity to increase restrictions or which indicates cause to ease restrictions.
9. Copies of this Order shall promptly be: (1) made available outside the Jackson County Courthouses at 415 E. 12th St., Kansas City, MO 64106 (Downtown Location); (2) posted on the Jackson County Health Department website (www.jacohd.org); and (3) provided to any member of the public requesting a copy of this Order.
10. If any provision of this Order to its application to any person or circumstance is held to be invalid, 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.

Authenticated as Adopted

This 30th day of April, 2021



Frank White, Jr.
County Executive


Bridgette Shaffer
Health Director

Troy M. Schulte
County Administrator & Emergency Management
Coordinator