

STANISLAUS COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH

ORDER FROM THE HEALTH OFFICER

DATE ISSUED: MAY 12, 2020

ORDER OF THE STANISLAUS COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH OFFICER REQUIRING ALL FOOD AND BEVERAGE MANUFACTURING FACILITIES TO TAKE CERTAIN PREVENTATIVE MEASURES INCLUDING MASKING AND SYMPTOMS SCREENING TO PROTECT RESIDENTS FROM THE SPREAD OF COVID-19

EFFECTIVE DATE: MAY 12, 2020 UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.

Please read this Order carefully. Violation of or failure to comply with this Order is a misdemeanor punishable by fine, imprisonment, or both. (California Health and Safety Code sections 120295, et seq.)

UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF CALIFORNIA HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE SECTIONS 101040, 101470, 101475, 101085, 120175, 120200, 120210 AND 120215 THE HEALTH OFFICER OF THE COUNTY OF STANISLAUS ("HEALTH OFFICER") ORDERS:

- 1. This Order becomes effective as of **5:00 p.m.**, on **May 12, 2020** and continues in effect until rescinded, superseded, or amended in writing by the Health Officer or by the State Public Health Officer.
- 2. This Order is issued in accordance with, and incorporates by reference: the March 4, 2020 Proclamation of a State of Emergency issued by Governor Gavin Newsom, the Declarations of Local Health Emergency issued by the Health Officer on March 11, 2020, The Proclamation of a Local Emergency on March 11, 2020, and the March 17, 2020, Resolution of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Stanislaus, Ratifying the Declarations of Local Health Emergency and Local Emergency Proclamation, Governor Newsom's March 12, 2020, Executive Order N-25-20, Governor Newsom's March 19, 2020 Executive Order N-33-20, and the designation by the State Public Health Officer of Essential Critical Infrastructure Workers issued March 22, 2020.
- 3. COVID-19 can easily spread between people who are in close contact with one another. There is growing evidence of transmission risk from infected persons before the onset of symptoms. Thus, all individuals who contract COVID-19, regardless of their level of symptoms (none, mild or severe), may place other vulnerable members of the public and critical health care workers and first responders at significant risk.
- 4. This Order is necessary because COVID-19 is highly contagious and has a propensity to spread person to person and by attaching to surfaces or remaining in the air.
- 5. Because COVID-19 is spread through respiratory droplets that are produced when an infected person coughs, sneezes or talks, covering the nose and mouth of an infected person can slow or prevent the spread of the virus. Even a small reduction in community transmission could make a major difference to the demand on the healthcare system.
- 6. This Order is based on substantial guidance from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention ("CDC"), the California Department of Public Health and other public health officials throughout the United States and around the world about the symptoms that may be related to COVID-19.



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- 7. This Order is issued in light of the existence of 508 cases of COVID-19 in the County as well as 21 fatalities, as of May 11, 2020. The County has confirmed through testing that COVID-19 is present throughout the County.
- 8. Essential food and beverage manufacturing facilities shall make every effort to comply with social distancing and shall take the following actions:
 - a. All people entering the facility shall be screened for symptoms. Temperature screening on entry is strongly recommended where temperature taking equipment is available and entry points can be managed without creating other public health concerns. Provide hand sanitizer and must encourage its use when entering the facility.
 - b. Employees shall wear face coverings at all times while within 6 feet of another person for periods of time that exceed 10 minutes (for guidance see https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/downloads/DIY-cloth-face-coveringinstructions.pdf). Where face coverings create safety or public health concerns, administrative or engineering controls should be considered.
 - c. Employees in breakrooms shall maintain all social distancing requirements, including 6-foot physical distancing from another person at all times. Various ways to accomplish this include setting up outdoor break areas, staggering break times as much as possible, removing seating, and providing table top reminders.
- 9. Copies of this Order shall promptly be: (1) made available at the County Administration Building at 1010 10th St, Modesto, 95354; (2) posted on the Stanislaus County Home page (StanCounty.com); and (3) provided to any member of the public requesting a copy of this Order.
- 10. If any provision of this Order to the application thereof 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.