

## COVID-19 UPDATE

### MICHIGAN'S STAY-AT-HOME ORDER

#### Governor replaces order until May 15<sup>th</sup>

Governor Whitmer's most recent [Executive Order 70](#) replaces [Executive Order 59](#) and is in effect until 11:59 p.m. on May 15, 2020. Here are the noteworthy changes:

- Allows real estate listing visits by appointment if the Order's requirements are complied with.
- Allows, as of May 7<sup>th</sup> at 12:01 a.m., a return to work by workers:
  - (a) in manufacturing that helps equip businesses to reopen (e.g., plastic shields).
  - (b) who perform work traditionally and primarily performed outdoors, including forestry workers, outdoor power equipment technicians, parking enforcement workers, and similar workers.
  - (c) in the construction industry, including the building trades (e.g., plumbers, electricians, HVAC technicians), subject to enhanced social-distancing rules described in section 11(i) of the Order.
  - (d) in the real-estate industry, agents, appraisers, brokers, inspectors, surveyors, and registers of deeds, provided that:
    - (1) Any showings, inspections, appraisals, photography or videography, or final walk-throughs must be performed by appointment and must be limited to no more than four people on the premises at a time. No in-person open houses are permitted.
    - (2) Private showings may only be arranged for owner-occupied homes, vacant homes, vacant land, commercial property, and industrial property.
- Businesses or operations in the construction industry must:
  - (1) Adhere to the requirements the Governor previously instituted for all employers previously allowed to bring workers back relating to social distancing and worker protections (develop a plan, maintain 6 feet of distance, etc).
  - (2) Designate a site-specific supervisor to monitor and oversee the implementation of COVID-19 control strategies. The supervisor must remain on-site at all times during activities. An on-site worker may be designated to perform this supervisory role.
  - (3) Conduct a daily entry screening protocol for workers and visitors entering the worksite, including a questionnaire covering symptoms and exposure to people with possible COVID-19, with, if possible, a temperature screening.
  - (4) Create dedicated entry point(s) at every worksite, if possible, for the daily screening described above or, in the alternative, issue stickers or other indicators to workers to show that they have been screened before entering the worksite that day.

- (5) Require face shields or masks to be worn when workers cannot consistently maintain six feet of separation from other workers.
- (6) Provide personal protective equipment and instructions for PPE and designate on-site locations for soiled masks.
- (7) Adopt protocols to limit tool and equipment sharing as much as possible and ensure frequent and thorough cleaning of tools, equipment and frequently touched surfaces.
- (8) Encourage or require the use of work gloves, as appropriate, to prevent skin contact with contaminated surfaces.
- (9) Identify choke points and high-risk areas where workers must stand near one another (such as hallways, hoists and elevators, break areas, water stations, and buses) and control their access and use (including through physical barriers) so that social distancing is maintained.
- (10) Ensure there are sufficient hand-washing or hand-sanitizing stations at the worksite to enable workers easy access.
- (11) Notify contractors (if a subcontractor) or owners (if a contractor) of any confirmed COVID-19 cases among workers at the worksite.
- (12) Restrict unnecessary movement between project sites.
- (13) Create protocols for minimizing personal contact during delivery of materials to the worksite.

We hope you found this information helpful. Please contact us if you have any questions.

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