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# SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SOLANO

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RECISSION OF MISCELLANEOUS ORDER NO. M-13-2021 MANDATORY WEARING OF FACE MASKS IN ENCLOSED PUBLIC SPACES OF THE SOLANO COUNTY COURTHOUSES

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MISC. NO. M-4-2022

On December 14, 2021, the Solano County Courts implemented Miscellaneous Order Number M-13-2021, requiring all persons in public areas of the Solano County Courthouses to wear face masks in response to the statewide indoor mask mandate issued by California Governor Gavin Newsom. The statewide indoor mask mandate expires on February 15, 2022. IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:

Effective February 16, 2022, Miscellaneous Order Number M-13-2021 is rescinded in its entirety.

Miscellaneous Order Number M-6-2021 remains in full force and effect.

Miscellaneous Order Number M-8-2021 remains in full force and effect.

Effective February 16, 2022, *fully vaccinated individuals* with the exception of jurors, will no longer be required to wear masks in the Solano County courthouses. As defined by the California Division of Occupational Safety and Health (CalOSHA), the term "fully vaccinated" means the person has received, at least 14 days prior, either the second dose in a two-dose

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COVID-19 vaccine series, or a single-dose COVID-19 vaccine. Vaccines must be approved by 1 the Food and Drug Administration (FDA); and have an emergency use authorization from the 2 FDA; or for persons fully vaccinated outside the United States, be listed for emergency use by the World Health Organization (WHO). Unvaccinated individuals must still wear masks in 4 accordance with Miscellaneous Order Number M-15-2020, as amended on December 16, 5 2020. Judicial Officers may still order individuals to briefly remove or lower masks to facilitate fair and effective proceedings on a case-by-case basis. 7 Regardless of vaccination status, any individual may choose to wear a mask voluntarily. 8 This order is issued in accordance with the most recent guidelines issued by both the 9 Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the California Department of Public 10 Health (CDPH). 11 12 Dated: February 8 . 2022 13 HON. DONNA L Presiding Judge 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25

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## SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA

In re the matter of:

MANDATORY WEARING OF FACE

#### COUNTY OF SOLANO

MASKS IN ENCLOSED PUBLIC )
SPACES OF THE SOLANO )
COUNTY COURTHOUSES )
Effective June 18, 2021, <i>fully vaccinated individuals</i> will no longer be required to wear
masks in the Solano County courthouses. As defined under CalOSHA's June 17, 2021 Order,
implemented by Governor Newsom's Executive Order No. N-09-21 dated June 17, 2021,
"fully vaccinated" means the person has received, at least 14 days prior, either the second dose
in a two-dose COVID-19 vaccine series or a single-dose COVID-19 vaccine. Vaccines must be
FDA approved; have an emergency use authorization from the FDA; or, for persons fully
vaccinated outside the United States, be listed for emergency use by the World Health
Organization (WHO). This order supersedes conflicting portions of Miscellaneous Order No.
M-15-2020, both as originally issued as well as later amended on December 16, 2020.

Unvaccinated individuals must still wear masks in accordance with Miscellaneous Order No. M-15-2020, as amended December 16, 2020. Judicial officers may still order individuals to briefly remove or lower masks to facilitate fair and effective courtroom proceedings on a case-by-case basis.

Regardless of vaccination status, any individual may wear a mask.

This order is issued in accordance with the most recent guidelines issued by both the CDC and CDPH.

DATED: June 17, 2021

DONNA L. STASHYN Presiding Judge

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### SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SOLANO

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In the Matter of:

MANDATORY WEARING OF FACE MASKS DURING JURY SERVICE

MISC. NO.: M-8-2021

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#### THE COURT FINDS AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. The County of Solano has seen a recent, concerning spike in COVID-19 cases, commonly known as the novel Coronavirus, which can cause severe illness and death; and
- 2. The Center for Disease Control recommends the wearing of masks to limit the spread of the COVID-19 virus. On July 28, 2021, the California Department of Public Health issued guidance recommending that all individuals, regardless of vaccination status, wear a mask in public settings; and
  - 3. Prospective jurors are once again being summoned to the courthouses; and
- 4. The Solano County Court has an important governmental interest in protecting the health and welfare of all who enter the courthouses, including members of the public, litigants, staff, attorneys, justice partners, witnesses, jurors and judicial officers.

#### BASED ON THE ABOVE FINDINGS, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:

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1. All unvaccinated individuals entering any courthouse facility are required to wear a face covering at all times while inside the courthouses.

- 2. Due to the rising numbers of COVID-19 infection, and given the severity of the new Delta Strain of the COVID-19 virus, for the safety of the public, all jurors entering the Vallejo and Fairfield Courthouses will be required to wear a cloth mask or face covering which covers both the mouth and nose ("Face Mask") at all times when in an enclosed space, regardless of vaccination status.
- 3. This order includes any lobby, hallway, elevator, stairwell, jury assembly room, courtroom, meeting room or any other enclosed areas which are accessible to more than one person at a time.
- 4. This Emergency Order shall not apply to any person who has trouble breathing or is unconscious, incapacitated, or otherwise unable to remove the mask without assistance, anyone with a disability or medical condition for whom wearing a Face Mask is not recommended by their healthcare professional, and/or any other person exempted by any federal, state or local law or regulation.
- 5. Any judicial officer may require an individual to remove a mask or may authorize a face shield, with a drape, as needed, to facilitate fair and effective courtroom proceedings, as long as six feet of social distance can be maintained.
- 6. Each judicial officer of the Solano Court has the discretion to require all vaccinated people to wear a mask in their courtrooms for proceedings before that judicial officer.
  - 7. The Emergency Order shall take effect August 11, 2021.

Dated: August 10, 2021

Presiding Judge of the Superior Court

Clerk of the Superior Court

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By DEDICTY CLERK

MISC. NO. M-15-2020

SECOND AMENDED 12/16/20

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA

COUNTY OF SOLANO

10 In re the matter of:

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MASKS IN ENCLOSED PUBLIC
12 SPACES OF THE SOLANO
COUNTY COURTHOUSES

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#### The Court finds as follows:

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- COVID-19, commonly known as the novel Coronavirus, has spread throughout the
   United States and sometimes causes severe illness and death; and
- The President of the United States has declared a national emergency as a result of the Coronavirus; and
- The Governor of the State of California had declared a state of emergency as a result
  of the Coronavirus; and
- The County of Solano has declared a county-wide emergency as a result of the Coronavirus; and

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- The residents of the state and the County of Solano have been dramatically impacted by COVID-19 and federal, state and local government responses thereto; and
- The novel Coronavirus is highly contagious and poses a threat to the well-being of every person; and
- The Center for Disease Control recommends wearing of cloth masks to limit the spread of the novel Coronavirus, not plastic face shields; and
- The United States Surgeon General recommends wearing of masks to limit the spread of the novel Coronavirus; and
- On June 18, 2020, the California Department of Public Health mandated wearing of face masks in any indoor public space (see attached order); and
- 10. It has been shown that the wearing of face masks by individuals is highly effective in limiting the spread of the novel Coronavirus; and
- 11. Prospective jurors are now being summoned to the courthouses; and
- 12. There is a spike in new Coronavirus cases statewide consistent with the gradual lessening of the Governor's shelter at home order as many counties move into Stage 3 of the state's reopening plan;
- 13. Solano County is experiencing a spike in new Coronavirus cases; and
- 14. The Solano County Court has an important governmental interest in protecting the health and welfare of all who enter the courthouses including members of the public, litigants, staff, attorneys, justice partners, witnesses, jurors, and judicial officers; and
- 15. Requiring the wearing of face masks in enclosed public spaces will provide additional protections to all who enter the courthouses.

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- 1. Each person, including court staff, over the age of three years old shall wear a cloth mask or cloth face covering which covers both the mouth and nose ("Face Mask") at all times when in an enclosed space in any of the four Solano County courthouses open to members of the public. Plastic shields are not acceptable.
  - Notwithstanding the foregoing, an individual may remove their masks while alone in their office, but shall wear Face Masks when anyone enters their office or when they leave their office.
- 2. This order includes any lobby, hallway, elevator, stairwell, jury assembly room, courtroom, or any other enclosed areas which are accessible to more than one person at a time.
- 3. This Emergency Order shall only apply to persons over the age of three years old. It shall not apply to anyone who has trouble breathing or is unconscious, incapacitated, or otherwise unable to remove the mask without assistance, anyone with a disability or medical condition for whom wearing a Face Mask is not recommended by their healthcare professional, and/or any other person exempted by any federal, state or local law or regulation.
- 4. Any judicial officer may require an individual to remove a mask or may authorize a face shield, as needed, to facilitate fair and effective courtroom proceedings, as long as six feet of social distance can be maintained.
- 5. This Emergency Order shall take effect June 18, 2020.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this order shall remain in full force and effect until either the Governor declares the COVID-19 state of emergency over, or this Court rescinds this order.

Dated: 12-16-2020

DONNA L. STASHYN Presiding Judge

MANDATORY WEARING OF FACE MASKS IN ENCLOSED PUBLIC SPACES OF THE SOLANO COUNTY COURTHOUSES



State Public Health Officer & Director

# State of California—Health and Human Services Agency California Department of Public Health



June 18, 2020

### GUIDANCE FOR THE USE OF FACE COVERINGS

Because of our collective actions, California has limited the spread of COVID-19 and associated hospitalizations and deaths in our state. Still, the risk for COVID-19 remains and the increasing number of Californians who are leaving their homes for work and other needs, increases the risk for COVID-19 exposure and infection.

Over the last four months, we have learned a lot about COVID-19 transmission, most notably that people who are infected but are asymptomatic or presymptomatic play an important part in community spread. The use of face coverings by everyone can limit the release of infected droplets when talking, coughing, and/or sneezing, as well as reinforce physical distancing.

This document updates existing <u>CDPH guidance</u> for the use of cloth face coverings by the general public when outside the home. It mandates that face coverings be worn state-wide in the circumstances and with the exceptions outlined below. It does not substitute for existing guidance about social distancing and handwashing.

#### Guidance

People in California must wear face coverings when they are in the high-risk situations listed below:

- Inside of, or in line to enter, any indoor public space;
- Obtaining services from the healthcare sector in settings including, but not limited to, a hospital, pharmacy, medical clinic, laboratory, physician or dental office, veterinary clinic, or blood bank;<sup>2</sup>
- Waiting for or riding on public transportation or paratransit or while in a taxi, private car service, or ride-sharing vehicle;
- Engaged in work, whether at the workplace or performing work off-site, when:
  - Interacting in-person with any member of the public;
  - Working in any space visited by members of the public, regardless of whether anyone from the public is present at the time;



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Unless exempted by state guidelines for specific public settings (e.g., school or childcare center)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Unless directed otherwise by an employee or healthcare provider

- Working in any space where food is prepared or packaged for sale or distribution to others:
- Working in or walking through common areas, such as hallways, stainways, elevators, and parking facilities;
- in any room or enclosed area where other people (except for members of the person's own household or residence) are present when unable to physically distance.
- Driving or operating any public transportation or paratransit vehicle, taxi, or private car service or ride-sharing vehicle when passengers are present.
   When no passengers are present, face coverings are strongly recommended.
- While outdoors in public spaces when maintaining a physical distance of 6 feet from persons who are not members of the same household or residence is not feasible.

The following individuals are exempt from wearing a face covering:

- Persons age two years or under. These very young children must not wear
  a face covering because of the risk of suffocation.
- Persons with a medical condition, mental health condition, or disability
  that prevents wearing a face covering. This includes 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.
- Persons who are hearing impaired, or communicating with a person who
  is hearing impaired, where the ability to see the mouth is essential for
  communication.
- Persons for whom wearing a face covering would create a risk to the
  person related to their work, as determined by local, state, or federal
  regulators or workplace safety guidelines.
- Persons who are obtaining a service involving the nose or face for which temporary removal of the face covering is necessary to perform the service.
- Persons who are seated at a restaurant or other establishment that offers
  food or beverage service, while they are eating or drinking, provided that
  they are able to maintain a distance of at least six feet away from persons
  who are not members of the same household or residence.
- Persons who are engaged in outdoor work or recreation such as swimming, walking, hiking, bicycling, or running, when alone or with household members, and when they are able to maintain a distance of at least six feet from others.

 Persons who are incarcerated. Prisons and jails, as part of their mitigation plans, will have specific guidance on the wearing of face coverings or masks for both inmates and staff.

**Note:** Persons exempted from wearing a face covering due to a medical condition who are employed in a job involving regular contact with others should wear a non-restrictive alternative, such as a face shield with a drape on the bottom edge, as long as their condition permits it.

#### Background

What is a cloth face covering?

A cloth face covering is a material that covers the nose and mouth. It can be secured to the head with ties or straps or simply wrapped around the lower face. It can be made of a variety of materials, such as cotton, silk, or linen. A cloth face covering may be factory-made or sewn by hand or can be improvised from household items such as scarfs, T-shirts, sweatshirts, or towels.

How well do cloth face coverings work to prevent spread of COVID-19?

There is scientific evidence to suggest that use of cloth face coverings by the public during a pandemic could help reduce disease transmission. Their primary role is to reduce the release of infectious particles into the air when someone speaks, coughs, or sneezes, including someone who has COVID-19 but feels well. Cloth face coverings are not a substitute for physical distancing, washing hands, and staying home when ill, but they may be helpful when combined with these primary interventions.

When should I wear a cloth face covering?

You should wear face coverings when in public places, particularly when those locations are indoors or in other areas where physical distancing is not possible

How should I care for a cloth face covering?

It's a good idea to wash your cloth face covering frequently, ideally after each use, or at least daily. Have a bag or bin to keep cloth face coverings in until they can be laundered with detergent and hot water and dried on a hot cycle. If you must re-wear your cloth face covering before washing, wash your hands immediately after putting it back on and avoid touching your face. Discard cloth face coverings that:

- No longer cover the nose and mouth
- Have stretched out or damaged ties or straps
- · Cannot stay on the face
- Have holes or tears in the fabric