

**Order of the Columbia/Boone County  
Public Health and Human Services Director  
Boone County Order No. 2020-04C**

**2019 Novel Coronavirus ("COVID-19")  
Notice and Issuance of Rules and Regulations**

**JURISDICTIONAL NOTE – These Rules and Regulations apply to all areas  
within Boone County outside the city limits of the City of Columbia.**

**Stay at Home Order**

**WHEREAS**, the novel coronavirus disease (COVID-19) is considered an infectious, highly contagious communicable and dangerous disease and on March 11, 2020 was declared by the World Health Organization to be a pandemic; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 13, 2020 the President of the United States declared the outbreak of COVID-19 in the United States constitutes a national emergency and the Governor of the State of Missouri declared a state of emergency within in the State of Missouri; and

**WHEREAS**, the Columbia/Boone County Public Health and Human Services (PHHS) Director is the “local health authority” as contemplated in 19 CSR 20-20.010 of the Code of State Regulations, incorporated by reference in Boone County’s Code of Health Regulations, Chapter 8; and

**WHEREAS**, Boone County’s Code of Health Regulations, and the terms of this Order, apply to all areas of Boone County except those areas within the corporate limits of the City of Columbia. See RSMo Secs. 192.300 and 192.310; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to 19 CSR 20-20.050, the local health authority is empowered to order quarantines, isolations, and closings of schools and places of public and private assembly in order to protect the public health; and

**WHEREAS**, the Director entered Order No. 2020-03C on March 24, 2020 instituting a Stay at Home Order for all persons except for the conduct of certain Essential Activities and Essential Businesses and Operations; and

**WHEREAS**, the County continues to experience new cases of COVID-19; however, such cases have been controlled in a sufficient manner as to not overload the healthcare system and resources available within Boone County; and

**WHEREAS**, the Director finds it is necessary for the community to remain preemptive and vigilant to protect the health and safety of the general citizenry; and

**WHEREAS**, the Director finds it is advisable to amend Order No. 2020-03C to begin to allow certain Non-Essential Businesses and Operations to conduct certain activities in a controlled and orderly fashion;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, based on the foregoing facts and the authority that exists under federal, state and local law, I declare that SARS-CoV-2 and COVID-19 are contagious diseases that are or may become epidemic in the County and enact the following **ORDERS** for Boone County, notice of which is hereby given. **This Order 2020-04C amends Order 2020-03C, the Stay at Home Order.**

**Article 1. Effective date and applicability.**

This Order supplements and amends the Rules and Regulations contained in Order 2020-03C and shall be effective 8:00 a.m. on April 24, 2020 and will continue to be in effect until 11:59 p.m. on May 3, 2020, or until it is extended, rescinded, superseded or amended in writing by further order. Except as specifically provided herein, all other provisions of Order 2020-03C remain in effect.

**Article 2. Intent.**

By enacting this Order it is the express intent to ensure that the maximum number of people continue to stay at home to slow the spread of COVID-19 within Boone County while enabling essential services to continue and beginning to introduce additional workers and services back into the economy in a safe and methodical manner. All provisions of this Order shall be interpreted to effectuate this intent.

**Article 3. Amendment of Order 2020-03C.** Order 2020-03C is hereby amended as follows:

**Amendment of Order 2020-03C Section 3.02.** Section 3.02 of Order 2020-03C related to cessation of non-essential business and operations is amended to read as follows:

**Section 3.02. The conduct of business and operations within the City.** All businesses and operations within the Boone County, except Essential Businesses and Operations and Supplemental Authorized Activities are required to cease all activities except Minimum Basic Operations, as defined herein.

All businesses are allowed to maintain the value of inventory and infrastructure, provide security, process payroll or employee benefits, or facilitate employees working remotely. For clarity, businesses may also

continue operations consisting exclusively of employees or contractors performing activities at their own residences (i.e., working from home).

Restaurants and retail food establishments that normally prepare food for on-site consumption are prohibited from conducting any dine-in food service; however, such businesses may provide pickup, drive-through, or delivery services so long as such business otherwise complies with this Order. The provision of any ordinance, permit or other restriction that would prohibit an existing restaurant or retail food facility from providing pickup, drive-through, or delivery service is waived during this effective period of this order.

All Essential Businesses and Operations are encouraged to remain open. To the greatest extent feasible, Essential Businesses and Operations shall comply with Social Distancing Requirements.

No business or person may operate or engage in a Prohibited Activity.

**Amendment of Order 2020-03C Article 4. Definitions.** Article 4 Definitions of Order 2020-03C is hereby amended by adding a new subsection to the definition of “E. Essential Activities” as follows:

18. engage in any Supplemental Authorized Activities.

**Amendment of Order 2020-03C Article 4. Definitions.** Article 4 Definitions of Order 2020-03C is hereby amended by adding a new subsection to add a definition for “Supplemental Authorized Activities” as follows:

W. “Supplemental Authorized Activities” means the following additional activities when conducted in accordance with written guidance issued by the Director, as amended, from time to time:

1. Businesses which sell at retail, including those which otherwise do not qualify as an Essential Business, may take orders by telephone, online, or by any other ordering system in which the order is not made in person and may fulfill those orders by shipping, delivery, or curbside pickup. Such business shall adhere to all Social Distancing Requirements, shall maintain a disinfection plan for the premises and shall maintain stable work environment for employees (“stable” means that the same ten or fewer persons are, to the greatest possible extent, in the same work group each day).

**Article 4. Enforcement; Severability.**


**Section 4.01. Application with other laws.** Unless otherwise specifically provided or suspended in this Order, any order or official guidance issued in writing by the Director, or any Executive Order, this Order shall not supplant, supersede, replace, rescind, amend, or modify any other law, ordinance, rule, regulation, or permit condition or requirement, including but not limited to those that may apply to Essential Business or Essential Activities.

**Section 4.02. Enforcement.** Violation of or failure to comply with this Order is a Class A misdemeanor punishable by up to one-year in jail, up to a \$1,000 fine, or both such jail time and fine. See RSMo Sec. 192.320.

**Section 4.03. Savings clause.** If any provision of this Order or its application to any person or circumstance is held to be invalid, then 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.

**So Ordered.**

Date: 4.23.2020

  
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