

For additional information:

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Use of Face Coverings on Construction Sites While the Stay at Home Order is in Effect

This notification provides additional guidance regarding active construction projects operating under the Stay at Home Order (Order) issued on March 22, 2020 by Ohio Department of Health Director Amy Acton, MD, MPH and the Amended Director's Stay at Home Order issued April 2, 2020.

The full text of the Stay at Home Order can be found here:

<https://coronavirus.ohio.gov/static/DirectorsOrderStayAtHome.pdf>

The full text of the Amended Director's Stay at Home Order can be found here:

<https://coronavirus.ohio.gov/static/publicorders/Directors-Stay-At-Home-Order-Amended-04-02-20.pdf>

All active construction projects are subject to the safe workplace provisions of the Stay at Home Order, more specifically:

Section 15. Social Distancing Requirements, including maintaining at least six-foot social distancing from other individuals; and

Section 18. COVID-19 Information and Checklist for Businesses/Employers.

The Ohio Facilities Construction Commission has been given direction by the Ohio Department of Health that contractors may use face coverings that are not medical grade PPE when there are required jobs or tasks that would put them closer than the 6 feet of separation established in Section 15 of the Order.

Additionally, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention recommends people wear a cloth face covering to cover their nose and mouth when in a public setting. A construction worksite is a public setting.

For more information and resources about COVID-19, visit coronavirus.ohio.gov or call 1-833-4-ASK-ODH with your questions. You may also contact your local health department.

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