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## **EMERGENCY ORDER OF 4-13-2020 OF THE MIDDLETON BOARD OF HEALTH**

### **EFFECTIVE TUESDAY, APRIL 14, 2020 AT 12:01 A.M. DIRECTING ALL INDIVIDUALS IN THE TOWN OF MIDDLETON TO UNDERTAKE FURTHER PRECAUTIONS TO PROTECT THEMSELVES AND OTHERS FROM THE SPREAD OF COVID-19**

Please read this Order carefully. Violation of or failure to comply with this Order is punishable by a fine of up to One Thousand Dollars pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 111, Section 122.

UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF MASSACHUSETTS GENERAL LAWS CHAPTER 111, §§ 95 THROUGH 105, THE MIDDLETON BOARD OF HEALTH ORDERS:

On March 24, 2020, the Town of Middleton Select Board and Town of Middleton Board of Health declared a Public Health Emergency in the Town of Middleton.

Pursuant to the declaration of a public health emergency on March 24, 2020, in accordance with G.L. c.111, §104 and 122, 310 CMR 11.05, 105 CMR 300.200 and any other authorizing statutes and regulations, we, the Board of Health of the Town of Middleton, Massachusetts, in order to take additional measures to protect the public health during the COVID-19 public health emergency in light of current conditions, including an expected surge in COVID-19 cases, hereby order the following:

1. **All members of the public entering any essential business** as defined by Governor Baker's Covid-19 Executive Orders, including, but not limited to, grocery stores, farm stand stores, pharmacies, home improvement stores, banks, ice cream manufacturers/dairies, government agencies, liquor/beer/wine stores, convenient stores, and the like, **must wear a facial covering, such as a fabric mask, scarf or bandana**, over his or her nose and mouth. The facial covering does not have to be a surgical mask or N-95 respirator, which should be left for medical professionals and first responders. See this link for information on making a cloth facial covering: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prevent-getting-sick/clothface-cover.html> .
2. **All members of the public entering a restaurant** for the purpose of picking up food for take-out **must wear a facial covering** over their nose and mouth.

3. **All employees of all essential businesses open to the public shall wear a facial covering over their mouth and nose.** Employers and employees must also comply with all applicable CDC and DPH protocols and guidelines for their particular business, which may include recommendations and/or directives concerning the use of personal protective equipment, such as gloves. *Essential businesses open to the public shall use discretion for occupational health hazards using facial coverings (i.e. cooks over grills, employees using machinery, etc.) and can make best professional judgement on use of facial coverings or not during such occupational operations.* **Food/Goods delivery personnel** shall wear facial covering over their nose and mouth when delivering the food/goods to the customer if there is a person to person exchange. Employees are required to comply with this requirement not contingent upon the ability of their employer to supply facial coverings.
4. **Any resident or member of the general public, including workforce, entering or exiting a residential or commercial building complex** of greater than one (1) unit must wear a facial covering over their nose and mouth while in common areas and communal spaces and must exercise social distancing in these spaces in accordance with CDC guidelines. See these guidelines at: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/preventgetting-sick/social-distancing.html> .
5. **All persons are required to properly dispose of all gloves, facial coverings** and other personal protection equipment or other potentially virus contaminated items in appropriate disposal bins. Penalties for failure to properly dispose of these materials will be in accordance with state and local law.
6. Each applicable **essential business shall post** at the public and employee entrances signage requiring a facial covering and must exercise social and physical distancing of six feet from one another. Attached is a template example.

**This emergency order shall be effective beginning APRIL 14<sup>th</sup>, 2020 AT 12:01 A.M.** and remain in effect until the Public Health Emergency declaration issued by the Select Board and Board of Health has been lifted. To the extent necessary, this Order shall be enforced by Board of Health officials and Middleton Police Officers.

The Middleton Board of Health order authorizes the Public Health Director or Public Health Nurse to further enhance physical and distancing procedures or requirements upon discretion and direction.

For the Board of Health



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# **PER ORDER OF THE MIDDLETON BOARD OF HEALTH**

IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE ORDER ISSUED  
BY THE MIDDLETON BOARD OF HEALTH ON  
APRIL 13, 2020, TO PREVENT THE SPREAD OF  
THE COVID-19 VIRUS

**ALL PERSONS ENTERING THESE PREMISES  
MUST WEAR A FACIAL COVERING OVER  
THEIR MOUTH AND NOSE IN ACCORDANCE  
WITH CDC GUIDANCE**

**ALL PERSONS ENTERING THESE PREMISES  
MUST ADHERE TO SOCIAL DISTANCING  
REQUIREMENTS, KEEPING A SIX-FOOT  
DISTANCE FROM OTHERS**