Effective Tuesday, May 19, 2020, the City of Irvine amended an Order issued on April 8, 2020 regarding social distancing and face coverings for local businesses. This amended Order applies to all businesses in the City of Irvine, allowed to open under the governor’s order, and requires all personnel and patrons to wear face coverings and follow social distancing and infection control guidelines published by the Centers for Disease Control and the California Department of Public Health. Face coverings include items such as scarves, bandanas, neck gaiters, or other fabric face coverings.

The amended Order also requires businesses allowed to open under the governor’s order to post signage advising patrons of social distancing and face covering requirements.

Legally operating businesses include, but are not limited to:

- Grocery Stores
- Pharmacies
- Restaurants providing take-out or delivery
- Home Improvement Stores
- Gas Stations
- Convenience Stores
- Banks, Savings & Loans, and Credit Unions
- Dry Cleaners
- Storage Facilities
- Private Postal Services Stores
- Florists
- Sporting Goods Stores
- Book Stores
- Clothing Stores
- Medical Clinics and Veterinary Care Centers

The amended Order shall be effective immediately and will remain in effect until further notice and is subject to monthly evaluation. **Operating businesses shall cause their employees and patrons to follow this order.** Violation of or failure to comply with this Order is a crime. Violators are also subject to civil enforcement actions including civil penalties of up to $500 per violation per day and may result in closure of the business.

Face coverings are not a substitute for social distancing and hand washing. Business personnel and patrons are discouraged from using medical grade personal protective equipment, such as N95 masks, for non-medical reasons.

The City of Irvine **STRONGLY RECOMMENDS** that all people wear a face covering when outside the home.

**COVID-19 Ombudsman**

Hotline: 949-724-8250

Irvine residents can call the Ombudsman Hotline daily, 8 a.m. – 6 p.m., for non-medical COVID-19 questions that pertain to Irvine.

**For non-emergency City services**

949-724-6000 (City Hall) or 949-724-7000 (Police Department)

**OC Health Care Agency**

833-426-6411 or occovid19.ochalthinfo.com

For information and online resources, visit: cityofirvine.org/covid19