

Acton Board of Health Emergency Public Health Order of May 5, 2020

Whereas the Governor of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts issued a Declaration of a State of Emergency on March 10, 2020 to respond to COVID-19 virus,

Whereas the Board of Selectmen and the Board of Health issued a Declaration of Local Emergency in the Town of Acton on March 19, 2020,

Whereas the Board of Health desires to enforce and supplement the Governor of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Emergency Orders with measures to protect the health and welfare of the residents and community,

Whereas Acton has a role in helping to contain the spread and need to limit exposure to all of our residents from this highly contagious and potentially life-threatening virus,

Whereas the Town of Acton seeks to reduce the risk of exposure to the novel coronavirus for residents, employees and the community,

NOW, THEREFORE, pursuant to 310 CRM 11.05, 105 CRM 300.200, and Chapter 111, Sections 30, 31 and 104 of the Massachusetts General Laws and all other necessary and appropriate powers and authorities, to take additional steps to prepare for, respond to, and mitigate the spread of COVID-19 during the State of Emergency to protect the health and welfare of the people of Acton,

The Board of Health HEREBY ORDERS:

The provisions of the Emergency Order by Governor of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts of May 1, 2020 requiring Face Covering in Public Places where social distancing is not possible are hereby adopted by the Town of Acton.

All members of the public entering any public business premises, including but not limited to grocery stores, pharmacies, home improvement or retail stores and the like must cover their mouth and nose with a mask or cloth face covering, unless excepted by the above Governor's order or otherwise exempted by Department of Public Health guidance.

All members of the public entering a restaurant or food establishment premises for purposes of picking up food for takeout must cover their mouth and nose with a mask or cloth face covering, unless excepted by the above Governor's order or otherwise exempted by Department of Public Health guidance.

All members of the public entering a municipal property or building, including but not limited to the Acton Public Safety Facility, Acton Fire Stations and Acton Transfer Station, must cover their mouth and nose with a mask or cloth face covering, unless excepted by the above Governor's order or otherwise exempted by Department of Public Health guidance.

To the extent necessary, this Order shall be enforced by the Board of Health, duly authorized agents of the Board of Health.

This Order shall be effective at 12:00 noon May 6, 2020 and shall remain in effect until further notice given, pursuant to our judgment that the conditions leading to this Order no longer exists or the State of Emergency Declaration ends.

I, the undersigned certify, in multiple counterparts, that the foregoing Order was made at a meeting of the Acton Board of Health on May 5, 2020 duly noticed pursuant to Open Meeting

Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting as amended the Governor's Order Suspending dated March 12, 2020.

Date: May 5, 2020

Name: William McInnis

Title: Chair, Acton Board of Health