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**STANDING PUBLIC HEALTH ORDER IMPLEMENTING VARIANCE FROM COLORADO
PUBLIC HEALTH ORDER 20-28, AND SETTING STANDARDS FOR
RESTAURANTS, PLACES OF WORSHIP, FITNESS FACILITIES AND GYMS,
RECREATION, AND OUTFITTERS IN GARFIELD COUNTY**

Effective Date: May 24, 2020

In accordance with paragraph II.M of the Safer at Home Order (Executive Order 2020-044), Garfield County submitted an application for a locally appropriate variance from certain requirements of the Safer at Home Order and Public Health Order 20-28 (State Orders). On May 23, 2020, the Colorado Department of Public Health (CDPHE) approved 5 of the County's 6 variance requests, the Roadmap to Reopening plan, and made one addition to the conditions approved. The CDPHE will reconsider the sixth request on June 1, 2020. The approved variance terms, as set forth in this Order, will remain in effect until further order.

This Order implements the authorized variance standards for opening restaurants, places of worship, fitness facilities and gyms, recreation, and outfitters. This Order allows for groups sizes of up to 25 with continued social distancing requirements for all residents and maintains Stay-at-Home requirements for vulnerable populations as provided in Executive Order D 2020 017. This Order is complimentary to all Executive and State Public Health Orders that remain in effect and the requirements of those Orders that are not amended herein or by previously issued Garfield County Standing Public Health Orders.

Garfield County Public Health, in collaboration with local businesses, has developed a Roadmap to Reopening and applicable criteria ("Roadmap Criteria"), including a Garfield County Business Social Distancing Plan ("Social Distancing Plan"), which must be completed by any business or organization prior to reopening in Garfield County. This order will support Garfield County's continued efforts to slow the spread of COVID-19. Pursuant to Section 25-1-506 (2)(a)(I), Colorado Revised Statutes (C.R.S.), this

Order is effective immediately within the entirety of Garfield County, including all municipalities within the County.

I. BASIS OF ORDER

On April 20, 2020, the Governor announced that he would allow Colorado’s “Stay-at-Home” order to expire as planned on April 26, 2020 and would lead the state into the next phase of COVID-19 response to be known as “Safer-at Home” and then “Protect Our Neighbors”.

On April 26, 2020, the Governor issued Executive Order D 2020 044 defining Safer At Home standards.

As directed by the Governor, on April 27, 2020, the CDPHE issued PHO 20-28, which includes 7 appendices directed to specific business sectors and practices.

Also on April 27, 2020, Garfield County issued a Standing PHO regarding the transition to Safer at Home; that Order remains in effect. All local businesses, facilities and agencies seeking to open for business in Garfield County are now required to review the Roadmap Criteria and the specified standards and submit a Business Social Distancing Plan to GCPH online at www.garfield-county.com.

On May 4, 2020, Garfield County began the first of three stages of the Stabilization Phase of its COVID-19 response as defined in the Roadmap Criteria. Each stage is anticipated to last at least 4 weeks.

On May 15, 2020, Garfield County submitted a variance request to the CDPHE seeking locally appropriate standards based upon the criteria defined by the CDPHE.

On May 23, 2020, the CDPHE approved Garfield County’s variance request. The CDPHE reserved the right to automatically rescind the variance approval if Garfield County experiences an increase in new COVID-19 cases of more than 60 in a two week period and to modify or rescind its approval as circumstances warrant.

On May 25, 2020, the Governor issued Executive Order D 2020 079.

On May 26, 2020, the CDPHE amended PHO 20-28.

This Order implements the variance standards as approved and represents continued progress toward Stabilization. Preventing resurgence will require that all individuals and businesses remain diligent and responsible for adhering to the requirements of this Order. Everyone's cooperation and patience to date, despite incredible challenges, are the reason for the County's ability to continue to move in this positive direction.

This Order is adopted pursuant to the legal authority granted in C.R.S. §§ 25-1-506 and 25-1-508 as well as all other applicable laws, rules, regulations, orders and declarations. Under these laws, the local Public Health Director has the duty to investigate and control the causes of epidemic or communicable diseases and conditions affecting public health and to establish, maintain, and enforce isolation and quarantine, and in pursuance thereof, and for this purpose only, to exercise physical control over property and over the persons of the people within the jurisdiction of the agency as the agency may find necessary for the protection of the public health. Immediate issuance of this Order is deemed reasonable and necessary under the existing circumstances and necessary for the preservation of the public health, safety and welfare.

Everyone in Garfield County, including in all towns and cities, must follow the requirements stated herein.

II. PURPOSE AND INTENT

The purpose of this Order is to identify the updated standards for Restaurants, Places of Worship, Fitness Facilities and Gyms, Recreation, and Outfitters in Garfield County. These revised standards continue State and County efforts to lift restrictions created to protect from the spread of COVID-19 in a phased approach that prevents resurgence while allowing our community to begin social and economic healing and recovery.

III. ORDER

A. All Executive Orders and CDPHE PHOs that are in effect, will remain in effect in Garfield County to the extent applicable, in accordance with their terms.

B. All Garfield County Public Health Standing Orders issued to date remain in effect, as amended. These are:

1. March 12, 2020 County PHO One Related to Events, which was amended on April 27, 2020 to limit the size of gatherings to no more than 10, is

hereby amended in accordance with the County's variance request approval to limit the size of gathering to no more than 25, unless otherwise specified in Attachment A-E to this Order;

2. March 17, 2020 County PHO Two Related to Essential County Governmental Functions;
3. March 20, 2020 County PHO Three Related to Compliance with State Orders, amended herein to clarify that in the event of conflict between state and county orders, the the more lenient of the two orders shall control; and
4. April 27, 2020 County PHO Four regarding to transition to Safer at Home, which is hereby superceded to the extent it is in conflict with this Order.

To the extent any provision of a County Public Health Standing Order conflicts with any current or future Colorado PHO or Executive Order, the more lenient of the applicable orders shall control.

C. As of 6:00 p.m., Saturday, May 23, 2020, Restaurants, Places of Worship, Fitness Facilities and Gyms, Recreation activities, and Outfitters may reopen or expand their openings as detailed by industry in attachments A through E. Specifically, for those businesses that have submitted a Garfield County Business Social Distancing Plan online at www.garfield-county.com and can comply with the applicable variance standards specified in attachments A through E, the following activities may resume:

1. Restaurants may open for up to 50 % capacity for inside and outside dining, Attachment A;
2. Places of Worship may open up to 50% capacity, Attachment B;
3. Fitness facilities and Gyms may open up to 50% capacity, Attachment C
4. Recreation activities may open to 50% capacity, Attachment D;
5. Outfitters may open to 50% capacity, Attachment E;

D. Events, defined in Garfield County's March 12, 2020 Standing PHO One, involving no more than 25 people may commence.

E. Transition into further stages of the Stabilization Phase or transition from Stabilization to Recovery will be announced by future order. This Order shall remain in effect until then. A prerequisite to entering the Recovery Phase is a widely available vaccine for COVID-19.

F. Any future orders from CDPHE or the Governor related to COVID-19 will be immediately in effect as if issued as a Garfield County Public Health Standing Order unless otherwise stated.

IV. FURTHER GUIDANCE

Further guidelines on all COVID-19 matters are available at www.garfield-county.com and covid19.colorado.gov.

V. GENERAL INFORMATION FOR ALL PERSONS AFFECTED BY THIS ORDER

If you have questions regarding this Order, please contact the GCPH at (970) 625-5200 or (970) 945-6614. Garfield County Public Health is tasked with protecting the health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of Garfield County, Colorado by investigating and controlling the causes of epidemic and communicable disease. This Order is necessary to control any potential transmission of disease to others. See C.R.S. § 25-1-508. Immediate issuance of this Order is necessary for the preservation of public health, safety, or welfare.

Any person aggrieved and affected by this Order has the right to request judicial review by filing an action with the Garfield County District Court within 90 days of the date of this Order, pursuant to C.R.S. § 25-1-515. However, you must continue to obey the terms of this Order while your request for review is pending.

FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH THIS ORDER IS SUBJECT TO THE PENALTIES CONTAINED IN C.R.S. §§ 25-1-516 AND 18-1.3-501, INCLUDING A FINE OF UP TO FIVE THOUSAND (\$5,000) DOLLARS AND IMPRISONMENT IN THE COUNTY JAIL FOR UP TO EIGHTEEN (18) MONTHS.



Yvonne Long
Garfield County Public Health Director

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Date

Attachment A: Restaurants

Restaurants are encouraged to continue to do business through take-out, delivery and curbside pickup. If restaurants so choose, they can provide limited dine-in service for both inside and outside dining. Restaurants must take the necessary time to ensure each of the following is adequately addressed before opening to the public.

- Limit number of customers to a maximum of 50% of the posted occupancy code limit. (This limit applies to both indoor and outside dining areas.) Required social distancing may reduce total seating capacity. In order to achieve 6 feet distancing the limit is 50% of the posted occupancy code limit ensuring a minimum 28 square feet per person not to exceed more than 175 people gathered in a confined indoor space at any given time.
- Do not allow customers to wait in the lobby area or lines outside of the door. Implement a reservation system, notify customers via text/call when their table is ready.
- Provide handwashing stations or sanitizer for all customers.
- Post signs at entrances regarding face coverings, and post signs throughout the facility as needed to remind customers of social distancing and proper hygiene.
- Require customers to wear cloth face coverings in order to enter the business and keep them in place until they have reached their table.
- Make reasonable accommodations for vulnerable populations who are still under the Stay at Home advisement. (e.g. seating assistance, special hours)
- Ask customers if they are experiencing any symptoms prior to seating them in the dining area, and do not allow them to enter if they are.
- Group parties shall be limited to six members of a single household.
- Bars are to remain closed, including those that are part of a restaurant.
- Implement one-way entry/exit and directional walkways as much as possible.
- In-room dining shall follow strict physical distancing practices (6 feet). Tables shall be spaced at a distance that allows for customers to remain at a 6-foot distance.
- Self-service stations shall remain closed (drinking stations, bulk dry, etc.)
- Don't allow public sharing of utensils or condiment containers.
- Buffets shall have an employee serving the food, no self-service is to be allowed.
- Perform environmental cleaning and disinfection of bathrooms and high touch surfaces every 2 hours and maintain a cleaning log.
- Staff handling dirty dishes must wear gloves and an apron.

- Staff must wash and/or sanitize their hands between each customer.
- Monitor employees for one or more of the following symptoms:
 - Cough, Shortness of breath/difficulty breathing
 - Or two or more of the following symptoms:
 - Fever, Chills
 - Repeated shaking with Chills
 - Muscle Pain
 - Headache
 - Sore throat
 - New loss of taste or smell

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Attachment B: Places of Worship

Places of worship are encouraged to continue offering online or drive-up services as much as possible. For activities within a facility, places of worship shall be allowed to increase the number of participants, if they choose, as outlined in the following guidelines:

- Limit the number of guests to no more than 50% of the posted occupancy code limit, provided that there's at least 6 feet of distance between individuals or between groups of a single household. Required social distancing may reduce total seating capacity. In order to achieve 6 feet distancing the limit is 50% of the posted occupancy code limit ensuring a minimum 28 square feet per person not to exceed more than 175 people gathered in a confined indoor space at any given time.
- Guests shall not be permitted to wait in the lobby area or in lines outside the door. No mingling time before, during or after services.
- Masks shall be required by all guests, when at all possible.
- Post signs at entrances regarding face coverings, and post signs throughout the facility as needed to remind guests of social distancing and proper hygiene.
- Make reasonable accommodations for vulnerable populations who are still under the Stay at Home advisement. (e.g. online viewing, visits to their home). Discourage any such individual from traveling to and/or entering the facility.
- Do not allow anyone to attend any event/activity in person if they are experiencing symptoms of any illness.
- Implement one-way entry/exit and directional walkways as much as possible.
- Place markings on the floor to maintain at least a six-foot distance where a line may form.
- Spread people out to maintain a six-foot distance between individuals/groups of a single household.
- Implement touchless offering and communion options as much as possible (e.g. do not pass around the offering plate, make available individual offerings that can be picked up by individuals to limit touching, pre-packaged and/or grab-and-go).
- Perform environmental cleaning and disinfection of bathrooms and high touch surfaces every 2 hours and maintain a cleaning log.
- No self-service refreshments.
- Provide handwashing and/or sanitizer.
- Monitor employees and volunteers for one or more of the following symptoms:

Cough

Shortness of breath/difficulty breathing

Or two or more of the following symptoms:

Fever

Chills

Repeated shaking with Chills

Muscle Pain

Headache

Sore throat

New loss of taste or smell

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Attachment C: Fitness Facilities and Gyms

Gyms, health clubs, and other similar fitness facilities shall be able to open their facilities for limited use. Gym means a building or room used for indoor sports or exercise, such as fitness, dance, exercise or group classes, exercise studios and centers, recreation centers, bowling alleys, indoor pools, and other indoor athletic facilities. Facilities that choose to open under limited use must do so under the following guidelines:

- Limit the number of customers to 50% of the posted occupancy code limit. Required social distancing may reduce total capacity or gathering size. In order to achieve 6 feet distancing the limit is 50% of the posted occupancy code limit ensuring a minimum 28 square feet per person not to exceed more than 175 people gathered in a confined indoor space at any given time.
- Do not allow members to wait in lobby or in lines outside of the doors.
- Members must wear a face covering while using the facility, when physically possible.
- Post signs at entrances regarding face coverings, and post signs throughout the facility as needed to remind guests of social distancing and proper hygiene.
- Make reasonable accommodations for vulnerable populations who are still under the Safer at Home advisement. (e.g. assistance with equipment cleaning, special hours).
- All members and staff must practice proper hand hygiene, either hand washing or sanitizer.
- Members experiencing symptoms of any illness **MUST** exclude themselves from using the facility.
- Implement one-way entry/exit and directional walkways as much as possible.
- Spread people out so that there is at least a 10-foot social distance between individuals throughout the facility.
- Sharing of equipment must be prohibited.
- An employee must be required to disinfect equipment after every use.
- Perform environmental cleaning and disinfection of bathrooms and high touch surfaces every 2 hours and maintain a cleaning log.
- Monitor employees for one or more of the following symptoms:
 - Cough
 - Shortness of breath/difficulty breathing
 - Or two or more of the following symptoms:

Fever
Chills
Repeated shaking with Chills
Muscle Pain
Headache
Sore throat
New loss of taste or smell

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- Employees shall be required to wear a non-medical cloth face covering over the nose and mouth and any person that cannot wear a mask shall not be permitted to work at this time.
- Personal training is allowed while strictly adhering to social distancing guidelines and limited to 4 people, plus the instructor.
- Group classes are not allowed
- Sport courts are to remain closed
- Locker rooms must remain closed
- On-site childcare facilities must remain closed

Attachment D: Recreation

Local recreational facilities may open to the public under the following guidelines:

- Group gatherings must be kept to 50 people or less. Required social distancing may reduce total capacity.
- Park facilities conducive to gathering, including shelters, picnic areas, and playgrounds may open when adequate controls are implemented to ensure 6-foot social distancing.
- League or pick-up sports are prohibited at this time.
- Spaces that enable social distancing such as trails, green space, tennis courts and golf course may be open for use.
- All golfing guidelines shall remain as outlined in the Garfield County “Road Map to Reopening”
- Physical distancing should be maintained in outdoor settings (6 feet while hiking, 15 feet while running or biking)
- Outdoor recreation facilities may remain open when adequate controls are able to be implemented to ensure 6-foot social distancing.
- Employees shall be required to wear a non-medical cloth face covering over the nose and mouth, individuals that cannot wear a mask shall not be permitted to work at this time.
- Perform environmental cleaning and disinfection of bathrooms and high touch surfaces every 2 hours and maintain a cleaning log.
- Monitor employees and volunteers for one or more of the following symptoms:
 - Cough
 - Shortness of breath/difficulty breathing
 - Or two or more of the following symptoms:
 - Fever
 - Chills
 - Repeated shaking with Chills
 - Muscle Pain
 - Headache
 - Sore throat
 - New loss of taste or smell

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Attachment E: Outfitters

Local outfitters to include rafting companies, skydiving, paragliding, hot air ballooning, angling, horseback riding, and zip line and Jeep / ATV tours may be open under strict adherence to the following criteria.

- Social distancing of 6 feet must be required.
- Any and all equipment must be cleaned and disinfected between uses.
- Group reservations should be kept to groups of the same household.
- No contact check-in and payment should be made available as much as possible.
- Do not allow customers to wait in lobby or in lines outside of the doors.
- Make digital waivers available if possible, to limit contact.
- Customers shall be required to wear face coverings, where possible.
- Post signs at entrances regarding face coverings, and post signs throughout the facility as needed to remind guests of social distancing and proper hygiene.
- Must keep occupancy of the building at or below 50% of the fire/building code as long as social distancing can be followed.
- Busses for raft trips must be limited to 30% of the passenger capacity.
- Jeep tours, skydiving and zip line groups must be limited only to members of the same household.
- Rafting trips shall allow for trips of 6 or fewer individuals of a mixed group or single households (not including the raft guide).
- All equipment such as helmets, life jackets, and safety harnesses as well as any other shared equipment must be cleaned in a sanitizing solution after each use and allowed to air dry before reuse.
- Seats, handrails and other frequently touched surfaces must be cleaned between groups.
- Include additional check in times to reduce the number of guests arriving at one time.
- Perform environmental cleaning and disinfection of bathrooms and high touch surfaces every two hours and maintain a cleaning log.
- Employees shall be required to wear a non-medical cloth face covering over the nose and mouth, individuals that cannot wear a mask shall not be permitted to work at this time.
- Monitor employees at the beginning of each shift for one or more of the following symptoms:
 - Cough

Shortness of breath/difficulty breathing
Or two or more of the following symptoms:

Fever

Chills

Repeated shaking with Chills

Muscle Pain

Headache

Sore throat

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