 FACE COVERING FAQ

WHEN DOES GLOBE’S FACE COVERING PROCLAMATION GO INTO EFFECT?
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I HAVE A MEDICAL EXEMPTION; DO I NEED A DOCTOR’S NOTE?
No, those who cannot wear face coverings due to a medical, mental health, developmental condition; inability to remove the face mask without assistance or anyone who cannot wear face coverings under CDC guidance, do not have to have a doctor’s note and are not required to produce one.

DO KIDS HAVE TO WEAR FACE COVERINGS?
Yes, children ages five and up are required to wear face coverings in public spaces when physical distancing cannot be safely maintained.

WHY ARE CHURCHES EXEMPT FROM THE REQUIREMENT OF FACE COVERINGS?
While the use of face coverings and physical distancing at church is highly recommended, it is not included in the proclamation due to federal protections.

DO I HAVE TO WEAR A FACE COVERING WHILE OUTDOORS?
No, face coverings are not required while exercising, walking, or spending time outside if physical distancing of six feet is maintained between you and anyone that is not a part of your household. If you are walking or exercising outside with members of your own household, you do not need to wear a face covering even if you are within six feet from one another.

DO I HAVE TO WEAR A FACE COVERING AT THE GYM?
Face coverings are not required while engaging in physical activity at the gym or other indoor exercising facility if physical distancing of six feet can be maintained. Face coverings are always required when not actually engaged in exercising. For example, face coverings are required when entering and exiting the facility or moving about and proper distancing cannot be maintained.

DO I NEED TO WEAR A FACE COVERING AT A BAR OR RESTAURANT?
Yes, face coverings are required while entering, exiting, waiting in line to enter, and while inside places of business including, but not limited to; grocery stores, retail stores, pharmacies, health care facilities, restaurants and bars (including outdoor seating for such facilities), hotels, motels, bed & breakfasts (excluding the rented room or suite), gyms and similar facilities.

DO I HAVE TO WEAR A FACE COVERING WHILE AT WORK?
If you interact with the public while at work, a face covering is required. If you do not interact with the public while at work physical distancing of at least six feet is recommended with your co-workers but the City will not require you to wear a face covering but your employer’s requirements may apply.

WHERE CAN I GET A FACE COVERING?
Face coverings are widely available at local retailers, or online. You can also use a bandana, scarf, or piece of fabric as a face covering. Here is information from the Centers for Disease Control on how to make and wear face coverings, https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prevent-getting-sick/how-to-make-cloth-face-covering.html

CAN I CARRY A CONCEALED WEAPON AND WEAR A FACE COVERING?
Yes, face coverings can be worn while carrying a concealed weapon. If a crime is committed while concealing your identity with a face covering of any kind, it may be an aggravating factor at the time of sentencing if convicted for that crime.

WHAT ARE THE CONSEQUENCES FOR NOT WEARING A FACE COVERING?
The enforcement of this proclamation is not designed to be punitive. Enforcement will begin with education and may increase to a municipal citation for multiple civil violations, depending on the circumstance and severity of the violation(s).

WHEN DOES THE REQUIREMENT EXPIRE?
The proclamation is in effect until it is terminated by the Mayor or until the Governor revokes the authorization given to cities.

WHERE CAN I FIND MORE INFORMATION?
The full proclamation can be viewed at www.globeaz.gov