

LONG BEACH DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DEPARTMENT LOCAL CONSTRUCTION SITE GUIDANCE FOR COVID-19

This guidance is intended to assist construction industry employers in preparing for and responding to COVID-19. City staff will verify compliance with these guidelines during inspections for projects under construction as well as during investigations associated with complaints or concerns that may be submitted to the Long Beach Venue Task Force at 562-570-CODE (2633) or COVID2020@longbeach.gov.

All local construction sites must be good neighbors and prepare a Physical Distancing Protocol to prevent the spread of the novel coronavirus 2019 (COVID-19) in the City of Long Beach (City). Local construction sites that fail to comply with any of the provisions of the Long Beach Safer at Home Order pose an imminent threat to public health that constitutes a public nuisance, and may be subject to civil, criminal, or administrative penalties, including, but not limited to, permit suspension or revocation, misdemeanor citation, or administrative fines.

Physical Distancing Protocols

1. Control measures for physical distancing to the extent feasible.
 - a. Maintain 6-foot distance, including during breaks, meetings, etc.
 - b. Stagger trades.
2. Implement a hygiene plan for protection of workers and the public.
 - a. Provide hand- washing stations or hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol for employees.
 - b. Require and allow all employees to wash or sanitize their hands at least every 30 minutes, or as needed if gloves are not provided.
 - c. Require Use of Personal Protective Equipment (gloves, goggles, face shields, masks, etc.) and training for proper use
3. Develop decontamination procedures that include:
 - a. Cleaning frequency.
 - b. Joint use of equipment.
 - c. Use of disinfectant qualified for use against COVID-19.
4. Provide education and training
 - a. Identify job-site “high risk” areas (e.g., elevators) and develop protocols to reduce exposure.
 - b. On-site Safety Supervisor.
5. Adhere to State industry-specific guidance to prevent the spread of COVID-19, which can be found [here](#) or <https://covid19.ca.gov/roadmap/>
 - a. NOTE - Symptom screening of employees is encouraged in lieu of temperature checks.



It is recommended that routine construction or repairs within occupied units/structures be suspended until further notice. However, construction or repairs in public or common areas within a structure, building exteriors, or utility rooms are permitted and are subject to physical distancing protocols.

Should emergency construction or repairs be required within occupied structures/units, the following steps should be taken:

1. Occupants and construction/maintenance staff should always wear face coverings within the structure/unit.
2. Construction/maintenance staff shall secure the work area to limit encroachments by the occupants.
3. Construction/maintenance staff shall establish a single path of travel within the occupied space
4. Adhere to your company's [Physical Distancing Protocol](#).

The Physical Distancing Protocol shall be posted at the construction site and shall include the following Long Beach Venue Task Force reporting/contact information:

562-570-CODE (2633) and COVID2020@longbeach.gov

If construction is at an occupied building or site, provide a copy of your Physical Distancing Protocol to the on-site manager.

