

**CITY OF PASADENA HEALTH OFFICER ORDER
FOR THE CONTROL OF COVID-19
AMENDMENT TO REVISED – SAFER AT HOME ORDER FOR CONTROL
OF COVID-19 ISSUED ON MARCH 22, 2020, AND SUPPLEMENTS ISSUED
APRIL 11 AND MAY 15, 26 AND 29, JUNE 11, 18, AND 28, 2020, AND JULY 1 AND
14, 2020**

This Order Issued: October 15, 2020

This Order is in effect as of 12:01 AM October 15, 2020 until rescinded in writing by the Health Officer.

Please read this Order carefully. Violation of or failure to comply with this Revised Order is a crime punishable by fine, imprisonment, or both. (California Health and Safety Code §120295.)

SUMMARY OF THE ORDER: California is in a State of Emergency because of the COVID-19 pandemic. The spread of Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) is a substantial danger to the health of the public within the City of Pasadena. COVID-19 can easily spread between people who are in close contact with one another. Everyone is at risk for becoming ill with COVID-19, but some people are more vulnerable to serious illness, including pneumonia and organ failure, or death, due to their age, physical state, and/or health status.

The City of Pasadena Health Officer (“Health Officer”) has issued a number of Orders to help slow COVID-19's spread, protect vulnerable individuals, and prevent the healthcare system in and around the City of Pasadena from being overwhelmed. The Revised Safer at Home Orders, dated March 22, 2020 and supplemented April 11 and May 15, 26 and 29, June 11, 18 and 28, 2020, and July 1 and 14, 2020 issued by the Health Officer, as well as other “Safer at Home” orders issued by other jurisdictions have proven to slow the spread of COVID-19.

This order allows for private outdoor gatherings of persons from no more than 3 households, in compliance with the guidelines set forth in paragraph 2, below, and, consistent with modifications allowed through Tier 1 (Purple) of the Blueprint for a Safer Economy, issued by the California Department of Public Health (“CDPH”) on August 28, 2020.

UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF THE CALIFORNIA HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE SECTIONS 120175 et seq., AND THE PASADENA MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION 8.04.010, THE CITY OF PASADENA HEALTH OFFICER ORDERS:

1. This Order allows for private outdoor gatherings of persons from no more than three (3) households subject to the guidelines set forth below. For purposes of this Order:
 - a. “Household” refers to one or more persons living together as a single housekeeping unit in a dwelling unit. This term shall not include institutional group living situations such as dormitories, fraternities, sororities, monasteries,

- convents, or residential care facilities, nor does it include such commercial group living arrangements as boarding houses, hotels, or motels.
- b. “Private gathering” refers to social situations that bring together people from different households at the same time in a single space or place.
2. Private gatherings of people who are not part of a single household or living unit must comply with the following requirements:
- a. Attendance. 1) Private gatherings that include more than three households are prohibited. This includes everyone present, including hosts and guests. 2) Keep the up to 3 households that choose to privately gather or interact constant or stable over time. Participating in multiple gatherings with different households and communities poses a higher risk of transmission and spread of COVID-19 if one or more attendees is/are discovered to be infected with the virus. 3) Persons from the households who do choose to privately gather together should discuss and agree upon the specific group rules for reducing the risk of exposure among the attendees at the private gathering before convening. 4) The host household of the private gathering should collect names of all attendees and contact information in case contact tracing is needed later.
 - b. Outdoors only. 1) All private gatherings must be held outside; they are permitted in a public park or other outdoor space. Unlike in indoor spaces, wind and air in outdoor spaces can help reduce the risk of person-to-person spread of the virus. Attendees may go inside to use restrooms as long as the restrooms are frequently sanitized. 2) Private gatherings may occur in outdoor spaces that are covered by umbrellas, canopies, awnings, roofs, and other shade structures, provided that at least three sides of the space (or 75%) are open to the outdoors. 3) Multiple private gatherings of three households may not be jointly organized or coordinated to occur at the same time as this would constitute a private gathering that exceeds the permitted number of households. 4) Mixing between unrelated private gatherings in the same public or outdoor space at the same time is not permitted.
 - c. Keep it short. Private outdoor gatherings should be limited to two hours or less in duration. The risk of disease transmission increases with length of exposure.
 - d. Physical distancing and hand hygiene. 1) All attendees must follow the Social (Physical) Distancing Protocols set forth in <https://www.cityofpasadena.net/public-health/wp-content/uploads/sites/32/Social-Distancing-Protocol-Health-Order.pdf>. 2) The outdoor space must be large enough to allow everyone at the private gathering can maintain at least a 6-foot physical distance from others (not including members of their own respective households) at all times. 3) Hand sanitizer or a place for hand-washing must be available for participants’ use. 4) Shared items may not be used during a private gathering. As much as possible, any food or beverages should be in single-serve disposable containers. If providing single-serve containers is not possible, food and beverages must be served by an attendee who washes or sanitizes their hands frequently and wears a face covering over their nose and mouth. Self-serve items from communal containers may not be used.
 - e. Singing, chanting and shouting at outdoor gatherings. Singing, chanting, shouting and physical exertion significantly increases the risk of COVID-19 transmission because these activities increase the release of respiratory droplets

- into the air. Because of this, singing, chanting and shouting are strongly discouraged. If they occur, to reduce the spread of respiratory droplets all attendees who are singing or chanting 1) must wear a face covering at all times while singing or chanting, including anyone who is leading a song or chant, and 2) must maintain at least 6 feet of physical distance from others. Instrumental music is allowed as long as the musicians maintain at least 6 feet of physical distance from other attendees. Musicians must be from only one of the up to three households. Playing of wind instruments (any instrument played by the mouth such as a trumpet or clarinet) is strongly discouraged.
3. Anyone who develops symptoms of COVID-19 (including fever, dry cough, fatigue, difficulty breathing) within 48 hours after attending a private gathering must notify the Pasadena Public Health Department at (626) 744-6089, and should notify the other attendees as soon as possible regarding potential exposure to the virus.
 4. This order is consistent with modifications allowed through Tier 1 (Purple) of the Blueprint for a Safer Economy, issued by CDPH. This Order amends the March 22, 2020 Revised Safer at Home Order, as supplemented April 11 and May 15, 26 and 29, and June 11, 18, and 28, 2020, and July 1 and 14, 2020. With the exception of activities authorized herein, nothing in this Order shall be construed as superseding prior Orders of the Health Officer.
 5. This Order's intent is to continue to ensure that City residents remain in their residences as much as practicable, to limit close contact with others outside their households in both indoor and outdoor spaces. City residents who are age 65 or older and all people of any age who have active or unstable pre-existing health conditions, should remain in their residences as much as possible during the pandemic. People in these categories should avoid any gatherings, and leave their residences only when necessary to seek medical care, exercise or obtain food or other necessities. All persons who can telework or work from home should continue to do so as much as possible during this pandemic. Nothing in this Order prohibits members of a single household from engaging in activities together, but gatherings of people who are not part of a single household or living unit are prohibited within the City of Pasadena Public Health Jurisdiction, except as expressly permitted by this Order.
 6. People leaving their residences as permitted by this Order must strictly comply with physical distancing measures, including: maintaining six feet or more of distance between individuals from different households, frequently washing hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds or using hand sanitizer that contains at least 60 percent alcohol, and wearing a cloth face covering over the nose and mouth whenever there is or can be contact with others who are non-household members in both public and private places, whether indoors or outdoors, for the purposes of source control.
 7. This Order applies to all persons within the City of Pasadena under the Health Officer's jurisdiction.
 8. Violation of this Order is a misdemeanor punishable by imprisonment, fine or both under

California Health and Safety Code Section 120295. This Revised Order will be enforced by the City of Pasadena Police Department, City Attorney/City Prosecutor's Office, and/or any other agency designated by the Pasadena City Manager for enforcement.

9. If any subsection, sentence, clause, phrase, or word of this Order (or any other prior Order) or any application of it to any person, structure, gathering, or circumstance is held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a decision of a court of competent jurisdiction, then such decision will not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Order (or any other prior Order).

IT IS SO ORDERED:



Date: 10/15/2020

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