April 15, 2020

**Passengers are Required to Wear Face Coverings**  
**Effective April 17, 2020 and until further notice**

To slow spread of the coronavirus, on April 13, the Sonoma County Health Officer issued a new [Order (C19-07)](https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prevent-getting-sick/diy-cloth-face-coverings.html) requiring persons to wear facial coverings when in public spaces effective Friday, April 17. All CityBus and Paratransit passengers will be required to wear a face covering in order to comply with the Health Order.

The Health Order also gives the bus drivers the ability to refuse admission to riders who fail to wear facial coverings. Bus drivers will enforce the Health Order to protect the health and safety of drivers and passengers.

‘Face coverings’ means any fabric or cloth that covers the mouth and nose. The facial covering can be made using household items (including scarves, bandanas, t-shirts, sweatshirts, towels, turtlenecks, or other fabric), can be sewn by hand, or factory-made. Further guidance on facial coverings could be found here:

- [https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/DCDC/Pages/Face-Coverings-Guidance.aspx](https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/DCDC/Pages/Face-Coverings-Guidance.aspx)

In addition to persons wearing facial coverings when riding transit for essential travel, facial coverings must be worn in the following situations:

- **Before entering any indoor facility besides your residence.** Examples include, grocery stores, laundromats/dry cleaners, work facilities, post office, etc.

- **In any enclosed open space.** Examples include, outdoor work sites, construction sites, taxis/rideshares, or buses.

- **When outdoors if a person is unable to maintain a six-foot distance from another person at all times.** Examples include, Farmer’s market, pumping gas, drive thru/delivery/carry out/curbside pickup, etc.
Everyone should continue to remain home sheltering in place, except for essential activities, and use social and physical distancing of at least six feet when outside of their homes.

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