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Hailey Reinstates Mask Mandate Effective Immediately

Face Coverings Required in Indoor Public Spaces

(Hailey, Idaho) – Mayor Martha Burke signed Hailey Public Health Order 2021-07 on Tuesday, October 12, 2021, which extends the mask mandates in for another 30 days, through November 11, 2021. The Hailey City Council will revisit its health orders during a regularly scheduled city council meeting to be held on November 8, 202, at which time they may again extend, with or without revisions, Hailey’s requirement for the wearing of face-coverings in public places where the public is present.

The mask mandates to date all look like the one put in place on place since September 14, 2021, when the city council put in place a mask mandate within the Hailey City limits by requiring face-covering be used in indoor public spaces. Additionally, face coverings should be used in outdoor places where proper distancing can not be maintained. The Order contains no requirement for businesses to enforce the Order, but we’ve found it is extremely helpful when businesses voluntarily post face-covering information at their entryways.

Prior to the September Order, an advisory order was in place, advising individuals to guard their own health and safety. This advisory order was in effect since May 14, 2021, and in September was elevated to an Order to protect the public health. The Order is directed to all individuals, with certain exceptions:

The exceptions to the mask mandate are:

- a. Children under the age of 5.
- b. Persons who cannot medically tolerate wearing a cloth face covering must wear or position themselves behind a face shield. A person is not required to provide documentation demonstrating that the person cannot medically tolerate wearing a cloth face covering.



- c. Persons who are hearing impaired, or communicating with a person who is hearing impaired, where the ability to see the mouth is essential for communication, must wear or position themselves behind a face shield.
- d. Persons, including on-duty law-enforcement officers, for whom wearing a face covering would create a risk to the person related to their work, as determined by local, state, or federal regulators or workplace safety guidelines.
- e. Persons who are actively engaged in athletic competition.
- f. Persons who are obtaining a service involving the nose, face, or head for which temporary removal of the face covering is necessary to perform the service.
- g. Persons who are eating or drinking at a restaurant or other establishment that offers food or beverage service, so long as the person is able to maintain a distance of 6 feet away from persons who are not members of the same party as the person.
- h. Outdoor public places where people can employ social distancing as recommended by CDC, while continuing to recommend face covering.

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