



Mandatory Mask Ordinance

Key Points

- On Friday, June 26, Summit County Council adopted Joint Public Health Order 2020-08 ("the Order"), requiring all residents and visitors to wear a face covering under the following circumstances. The Order is effective at 12:01 am, Saturday, June 27.
- **WHERE:** The Order requires mandatory face coverings in any indoor spaces open to members of the public, as well as community gatherings over 50. Employees will be required to wear a mask indoors and outdoors when interacting with the public. Exceptions include individuals under two years of age, those with medical conditions, impairments or disabilities, those obtaining a service involving the nose or face, and individuals seated at a restaurant or other food/beverage establishment while they are eating or drinking.
- **WHAT:** "Face coverings" should completely cover the nose and mouth and may include cloth masks, disposable masks, bandannas and neck gaiters.
- **ENFORCEMENT:** Violations of the Order are punishable as infractions; however the purpose of the Order is to protect individuals' health and not to hold them criminally liable. Discretion will be used in the citing and prosecution of violations of the Order. Educating and supplying a mask to those in violation will be a priority of law enforcement.