



INDIANA GOVERNOR'S STAY AT HOME EXECUTIVE ORDER

Indiana Gov. Eric Holcomb issued a sweeping executive order on March 23, 2020 (EO 20-08), which encouraged as many Indiana residents as possible to stay at home to reduce transmission of the COVID-19 virus. The order has disrupted in some way nearly every workplace and every residence. The order has several key provisions and exceptions. If you have any questions, please contact us.

Stay at Home or Place of Residence

Unless an exception applies, all individuals in Indiana are ordered to stay at home or their place of residence. To the extent that individuals use shared or outdoor spaces when outside of their homes or residences, they must at all times, and as much as reasonably possible, maintain social distancing of at least six (6) feet from any other person, with the exception of family or household members. All persons may leave their homes or residences only for defined Essential Activities, Essential Governmental Functions, or to participate in Essential Businesses and Operations.

Non-Essential Business and Operations Must Cease

All businesses and operations in Indiana, except for Essential Businesses and Operations, are hereby required to cease all activities within the state, except, however, for Minimum Basic Operations. Businesses, which includes home-based businesses, may also continue operations consisting exclusively of employees or contractors performing activities at their own homes or residences (i.e., working from home).

All Essential Businesses and Operations are encouraged to remain open. Essential Businesses and Operations shall comply with the Social Distancing Requirements defined in this Executive Order, including by maintaining six-foot social distancing for both employees and members of the general public at all times, including, but not limited to, when any customers are standing in line.

Leaving the Home for Essential Activities is Permitted

Individuals subject to the order may leave their homes or residences for these Essential Activities:

- + For Health and Safety – to engage in activities or perform tasks essential to their health and safety, or to the health and safety of their family or household members or persons (including pets) who are unable or should not leave their home such as, for example, seeking emergency services, obtaining medical supplies or medication, or visiting a health care professional.

- + For Necessary Supplies and Services – to obtain necessary services or supplies for themselves and their family or household members or persons who are unable or should not leave their home, or to deliver those services or supplies to others, such as, by way of example and without limitation, groceries and food, household consumer products, supplies they need in order to work from home, automobile supplies (including dealers, parts, supplies, repair and maintenance), and products necessary to maintain the safety, sanitation, and/or essential operation of homes or residences.
- + For Outdoor Activity – to engage in outdoor activity, provided that they comply with the Social Distancing Requirements as defined in the order.

Intent of the Executive Order

The governor says the intent of his Executive Order is to ensure that the maximum number of people self-isolate in their homes or residences to the maximum extent feasible, while also enabling essential services to continue, in order to slow the spread of COVID-19 to the greatest extent possible.

Further details on the Indiana Stay at Home Order are available here.

<https://www.dol.gov/agencies/whd/pandemic>.

If you have any specific questions on the order, please call us.



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