

Gov. Wolf: 'Wear a mask, Pennsylvania'

Harrisburg, PA – Reiterating the mandate of the [mask-wearing order](#) Sec. of Health Dr. Rachel Levine signed yesterday, Governor Tom Wolf again today advised all Pennsylvanians that wearing masks when outside the home is mandatory.

“As we approach the Fourth of July holiday weekend and we see another spike in cases today in Pennsylvania, it’s critical that Pennsylvanians take the mandate to wear masks seriously,” Gov. Wolf said. “This virus is not gone and mask-wearing is a required mitigation effort that we know works to stop its spread.

“We have seen evidence that indicates Pennsylvania’s recent case increases can be traced to settings where people were not wearing masks or practicing social distancing. This can lead to more and more cases in our state. We have made such tremendous progress, let’s not let that progress go to waste, risking lives and livelihoods.

“We all must do one simple thing to stop the spread of COVID-19: Wear a mask, Pennsylvania.”

The Sec. of Health’s order includes that masks must be worn when:

- Outdoors and unable to consistently maintain a distance of six feet from individuals who are not members of their household;
- In any indoor location where members of the public are generally permitted;
- Waiting for, riding on, driving, or operating public transportation or paratransit or while in a taxi, private car service or ride-sharing vehicle;
- Obtaining services from the healthcare sector in settings including, but not limited to, a hospital, pharmacy, medical clinic, laboratory, physician or dental office, veterinary clinic, or blood bank; or
- Engaged in work, whether at the workplace or performing work off-site, when interacting in-person with any member of the public, working in any space visited by members of the public, working in any space where food is prepared or packaged for sale or distribution to others, working in or walking through common areas, or in any room or enclosed area where other people, except for members of the person’s own household or residence, are present when unable to physically distance.

The order includes limited exceptions to the face-covering requirement.