Shelter-in-Place Orders Extended as Some Rules Ease

Health Officers Extend Order to Stay Home Until May 31

Watch Dr. Matt Willis' Video Statement about the extension

Full May 4, 2020 Shelter Order

Executive Summary of May 4, 2020 Shelter Order

This updated Order continues to restrict most activity to essential functions and needs. But because of progress we have collectively achieved in slowing the spread of the disease and limiting hospitalizations, the Order allows certain additional essential businesses and activities to resume, allows certain low-risk outdoor businesses to being operating again, and authorizes certain additional outdoor activities to take place even though they are not essential. The new Order also introduces a framework to guide the Health Officer's decisions about further easing of restrictions, focusing on progress achieved addressing COVID-19 and ensuring that there are adequate health care resources available.

This new Order replaces the shelter order issued on March 31, 2020. We refer to the March 31 order as the “Prior Order” and the April 29 Order as the “new Order” or “Order.”

What changes does this new Order make?

This new Order will go into effect on 11:59 pm on Sunday May 3, 2020, and will remain in effect until 11:59 pm on Sunday May 31, 2020, unless the Health Officer amends or extends it.

Most of the Prior Order's restrictions remain in place. However, the new Order makes a number of significant changes, which are highlighted below:

Essential Businesses:

- Under the new Order, all construction projects can resume, provided they comply with the Construction Project Safety Protocols (small project protocols and large project protocols) issued as part of the Order. (These protocols replace the COVID-19 Construction Field Safety Guidelines applicable to the Prior Order).
Commercial as well as residential real estate transactions are allowed to fully resume, but with continued restrictions on in-person viewings and appointments.

Under the new Order, childcare establishments, summer camps, schools, and other educational and recreational programs can operate to provide care and supervision for children to allow all persons who are working in essential businesses or outdoor businesses or performing minimum basic operations to access childcare. All of these operations must comply with restrictions specified in the Order, including that they be carried out in stable groups of 12 or fewer children. This category is also subject to the State’s Shelter in Place Order, but the Health Officer will assess whether to ease childcare restrictions further in coordination with the State and as the spread of COVID-19 is further contained.

Outdoor Businesses:

- Outdoor Businesses (as defined in the Order and described below) are now allowed to operate, and people are allowed to visit them to perform work or to obtain goods, services, or supplies.

- Outdoor Businesses are those that normally operated primarily outdoors prior to the Shelter in Place Orders, and where social distancing of at least six feet can be maintained between all people. These include outdoor retail businesses like nurseries, outdoor service providers like landscapers, and agricultural operations.

Social Distancing Protocols for Businesses:

- All business facilities operating in the County, including businesses carrying out minimum basic operations, must comply with the requirement to create a Social Distancing Protocol. (Note: construction activities must instead comply with the Construction Project Safety Protocols.)

- In their Social Distancing Protocols, businesses must now ensure that personnel and customers wear face coverings when entering their facilities (except those customers for whom face coverings are not recommended, like very young children).

- All existing Social Distancing Protocols must be updated to reflect the new requirements.

- We encourage businesses that are not yet allowed to operate to focus on planning to effectively implement social distancing and related measures in their facilities so they are ready to safely reopen when allowed.

Essential Activities and Travel:

- All residential moves are now allowed to proceed.

Recreation:

- The new Order allows use of shared outdoor recreational facilities that do not encourage gathering or contain high-touch equipment. However, everyone must follow any restrictions that either state or local authorities impose.

COVID-19 Indicators:

- The Health Officer will consider easing or expanding restrictions based on progress we collectively achieve on several key indicators described in the new Order and referred to as the COVID-19 Indicators.

Questions about how the updated Order impacts you?

The updated Order goes into effect on Monday, May 4. Town staff is
currently analyzing the updates and how they will impact Town operations, particularly related to local construction projects.

Updates will be posted on the [Town's website](#) when available. Thank you for your patience.

In the meantime, visit [coronavirus.marinhhs.org](http://coronavirus.marinhhs.org) for updated information about COVID-19 and the public health orders in Marin County.

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**Community Conversation:**

**Caring for our Vulnerable Populations**

While COVID-19 has affected individuals of all ages, genders and races, the virus has been of the utmost concern for our more vulnerable communities: seniors, individuals experiencing homelessness, people of color and low-income households. How are these vulnerable groups faring during the COVID-19 pandemic? And what resources are in place to support these groups as the effects of COVID-19 continue? Join us for a community conversation as Marin's top public health experts answer your questions about this important topic.

**WHEN:** Wednesday, April 29, 2020 at 6:30 p.m. (Tonight)

**FEATURED SPEAKERS:**
- Benita McLarin, FACHE, Director of Marin County's Health and Human Services Department
- Lisa Santora, M.D., Deputy Public Health Officer, County of Marin

**HOW TO PARTICIPATE**
- [Watch Live Video](#)
- Watch Live on Television: Comcast Channel 27
- [Submit Questions in Advance](#)

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**Local Business & Resident Resources**

The Tiburon Peninsula Chamber of Commerce and your local business community have been hard at work developing solutions to provide aid to our impacted local businesses.

The Chamber of Commerce has created the COVID-19 Tiburon Peninsula Small Business Fund to provide immediate financial assistance to our cherished small businesses, including restaurants, boutiques, and merchants during this unprecedented crisis.
Click here to learn more about the fund, apply for a grant, or donate.

Additional Resources

The Town of Tiburon has created a dedicated web page for COVID-19 resources. This page will be updated with notable news items, valuable resources as they become available, and information on access to Town services.

The Chamber of Commerce and the Ark Newspaper are maintaining complete guides to supporting your local businesses during this time - including updated hours of operation, complete listings of local restaurants open and eager to take your order for takeout or delivery, and services still available at various businesses downtown, the Cove Shopping Center, and Strawberry Village.

Virtual Recreation Classes at the Ranch

Your favorite Ranch classes have gone virtual! The Ranch's virtual programming has expanded significantly over the past few weeks - for kids, adults, and seniors!

Connect with a friend or family member over a fitness class (yoga & chair yoga, Pilates, Zumba), painting class or foreign language course.

Guitar and ukulele lessons are also available. Kids can sign up for coding classes, video game design, or even play D&D with friends.

Most classes are conducted live with Zoom. Ranch staff is available to assist those that need a little extra help in getting computers set up to participate virtually.

Review a complete course listing here.

You Are Not Alone

If you or a family member live alone or are lonely, consider signing up for Tiburon Police's You Are Not Alone program.

Every morning, Police personnel call participants to check in and say hello. If staff is unable to get in touch with a participant, someone will stop by to make sure everything is okay. Lifelong friends have been made and lives have been saved through this program.
You are not alone.
Call (415)789-2801 to sign up.

Stay Informed

Any additional updates to Town essential services will be posted to the home page of the Town's website at www.townoftiburon.org.

Your main resource for local updates about COVID-19 in Marin County should be the Marin County Department of Health & Human Services dedicated web page at coronavirus.marinhhs.org. On this page you will also find a detailed and informative FAQ about the Shelter-in-Place Orders.

Inquiries should be directed to:
- The Marin HHS Information Hotline at 415-473-7191. Phone calls will be answered Monday-Friday, 9:30am-12:00pm and 1:00pm-5:00pm.
- COVID-19@marincounty.org for emailed inquiries.