Doniphan County, Kansas Covid-19 Reopening Order

Doniphan County will adopt the following order beginning at 12 noon on June 1, 2020, and this order will remain in effect until rescinded. This order may be expanded and/or modified by the Doniphan County Public Health Officer as circumstances dictate in order to mitigate the spread of COVID-19 in Doniphan County.

Executive Order 20-34 implementing the modified Phase 2 of the Ad Astra Reopening Plan is no longer in effect.

Phase 3

1. Mass Gatherings:

- A. Mass gatherings of more than 45 should be avoided.
 - 1. Mass gatherings are defined as instances in which individuals are in one location and are unable to maintain a 6 foot distance between individuals (not including individuals who reside together) with only infrequent or incidental moments of closer proximity.

2. Business Restrictions:

- A. All businesses can open if they comply with the following:
 - 1. Able to maintain 6 foot social distancing between groups of customers;
 - a. Restaurants or dining establishments may meet this requirement by using physical barriers sufficient to prevent virus spread between seated customers or groups of seated customers;
 - 2. Follow fundamental cleaning and public health practices detailed on covid.ks.gov; and
 - 3. Avoid any instances in which groups of more than 45 individuals are in one location and unable to maintain a 6 foot distance with only infrequent or incidental moments of closer proximity. This does not limit the total occupancy of a business, but requires that businesses limit mass gatherings in areas and instances in which physical distancing cannot be maintained, such as at tables or in entrances, lobbies, break rooms, checkout areas, etc.
- B. All businesses in operation should follow industry-specific guidelines as provided on covid.ks.gov. Following any additional best practices guidance from each business sector is encouraged.

3. Education, Activities and Venue Restrictions:

- A. Educational Facilities
 - 1. K-12 facilities should continue to follow the guidelines of the Continuous Learning Plan developed by the Kansas State Department of Education.

- 2. Higher education facilities should remain closed for in-person learning or events involving groups of more than 45 individuals present at a time.
- 3. Childcare facilities may reopen or continue operations pursuant to state and local regulations

B. Activities and Venues

- 1. All activities and venues can open if they can adhere to the following:
 - a. Maintain at least 6 feet of distance between individuals or groups (not including individuals who reside together);
 - b. Follow fundamental cleaning and public health practices (compliance with any additional sector specific best practices guidance is strongly encouraged); and
 - c. Avoid any instances in which groups of 45 individuals are in one location and are unable to maintain a 6 foot distance with only infrequent or incidental moments of closer proximity. This does not limit the total occupancy of a facility, but requires that facilities limit mass gatherings in areas and instances in which physical distancing cannot be maintained such as entrances, lobbies, locker rooms, etc.
- C. The following may open for their intended purpose, providing they can maintain social distancing and not exceed 45 persons in attendance, as listed above:
 - 1. Community Centers
 - 2. Senior Centers
 - 3. Outdoor and indoor entertainment venues
 - 4. Fairs, festivals, carnivals, parades, commencements, and graduations
 - 5. Swimming pools (other than backyard pools)
 - 6. Organized sports facilities and tournaments
 - 7. Summer camps
- D. Any facilities listed in this order may institute their own regulations as needed for the safety of their population. Following related association or oversight guidelines is encouraged.

Phase Four/Phase Out

1. All Restrictions Lifted:

- A. Providing the county's local transmission rate continues to remain steady or decline, as of 12:01 a.m. on June 15, 2020, all provisions will cease.
- B. Individuals may choose to continue social distancing, but it will no longer be an expectation.
- C. Individual businesses may likewise choose to continue to implement guidelines within their businesses that help protect their employees, customers and the public.
- D. Restaurants and other establishments no longer must provide barriers or maintain 6 feet of distance between tables.

Guidance for Individuals and Employers/Businesses

1. Guidance for Individuals:

- a. Individuals are encouraged to wear cloth masks in public settings, as appropriate, and especially when using mass transit. Employees should follow industry-specific guidance on mask use in workplaces.
- b. When in public (parks, outdoor recreation areas, shopping areas) all individuals (not including individuals who reside together) should maintain a 6 foot distance from others with only infrequent or incidental moments of closer proximity.
- c. All high risk or vulnerable individuals are encouraged to stay home except for essential needs.

2. Guidance for Employers/Businesses:

- a. Businesses may increase staffing back to normal levels, with social distancing strongly encouraged.
- b. Businesses may choose whether or not staff are required to wear face masks while at work.
- c. Sanitation supplies, hand sanitizer, sanitizing wipes, etc., are encouraged to be available for employee use.
- d. Special attention to sanitation and cleaning is encouraged, especially for area/objects utilized frequently by staff and the public.

Enforcement

As currently permitted pursuant to state law, law enforcement officers enforcing this order should use their discretion, consult with their legal counsel and consider the totality of the circumstances as they determine appropriate enforcement actions. Per Kansas Statute 65-129b, the Public Health Officer may order the isolation and/or quarantine of individuals in order to mitigate the spread of COVID-19, and may order law enforcement officers to assist with this order.

This document shall become effective as of 12 noon on June 1, 2020, and remain in force until rescinded. This order may be expanded and/or modified by the Doniphan County Public Health Officer as circumstances dictate in order to mitigate the spread of COVID-19 in Doniphan County.

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