



LOCAL HEALTH OFFICER ORDER NO. 3 ISSUED September 4, 2020 "RESTRICTED ACTIVITIES"

To mitigate the spread of the Coronavirus (COVID-19) in Crawford County, Kansas, and pursuant to the authority provided in K.S.A. 65-119, K.S.A. 65-129b, K.S.A. 65-202 and other applicable laws and regulations, this Order No. 3 is issued. In my capacity as the Local Health Officer, I am authorized and required to immediately exercise and maintain supervision over known or suspected cases of any infectious or contagious disease and to issue orders seeing that all such cases are properly handled and that the provisions of the Kansas public health laws regarding isolation, quarantine and disinfection are duly enforced.

As the Local Health Officer appointed by the Board of Health, I am duly authorized to prohibit public gatherings and take other measures necessary for the control of any and all infectious or contagious diseases.

In my capacity as the Crawford County Local Health Officer, I have determined this Order No. 3 is necessary to control the potential spread of Coronavirus (COVID-19) within Crawford County, Kansas and to supplement all valid orders of the Governor regarding such potential spread.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED the following actions shall be taken immediately, and this Order No. 3 supersedes my Orders previously issued, with the exception of any continued prohibitions or restrictions ordered herein, and this Order No. 3 supplements all valid orders of the Governor.

Actions taken so far have demonstrated some success in flattening the epidemic curve to prevent overwhelming our local health care system's ability to care for the number of residents who might develop severe symptoms. I still strongly recommend you wear a mask both inside a public space and when you are outdoors if you cannot maintain 6 feet of social distance from people who are not members of your household. I still strongly recommend you use proper hand hygiene, such as washing your hands with soap and water, or using hand sanitizer containing at least 60% alcohol.

With full community cooperation, this proactive public health Order No. 3 may minimize the impact of COVID-19 on our Crawford County community.

Section One: Definitions

For purposes of the Order No. 3, Social Distancing is defined as follows: maintaining at least 6-foot social distancing from every other person present at a location, not including individuals who reside together.

For the purposes of this Order No. 3 the phrase “community event” is defined as any planned gathering on public property consisting of 50 or more people or any sized event which blocks or reserves access to public property. Examples include but are not limited to: Pre-planned marches and protests, festivals, parades, homecomings, etc. “Event center” is defined as premises which are frequently rented out for public or private activities that are not repeated on a weekly basis and which are not open to the public on a daily basis at times other than when an event is scheduled.

Section Two: Restricted Activities

For purposes of this Order No. 3, individuals are ordered to restrict activities based upon my authority as the Local Health Officer. People at high risk of severe illness from COVID-19, and people who are sick, are urged to stay in their residence except as necessary to seek medical care. Social Distancing and masks or face mask coverings described in Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) guidelines are not required between members of the same household.

BUSINESS RESTRICTIONS

Businesses and other locations that are open shall comply with the following additional restrictions. For purposes of this Order No. 3, all businesses and locations are required to comply with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) “Interim Guidance for Businesses and Employers Responding to Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19), May 2020” and industry-specific guidance from trade groups. Nothing in this order shall be interpreted to require that any business or location open if they choose not to.

1. It is strongly recommended that all employers screen each employee prior to each shift. It is strongly recommended any such screening include asking about symptoms, travel, and checking temperatures.
2. All front line staff who are in contact with the public or are involved with food or drink prep or delivery are required to wear masks.
3. All restaurants and bars are limited to seated areas only. This includes patios.
 - Service or consumption of food or drinks while standing at a counter/bar or in standing-only areas is prohibited.

- Consumption of food and beverages shall only take place at a counter or table via seated service.
 - Dance floors (including but not limited to temporary spaces obtained by removing tables or other objects for the purpose to all people to dance) shall be closed.
4. All seated parties must be placed at least 6 feet apart from other seated parties (between table and/or booths), or when that is not feasible a barrier such as plexiglass or other partition shall divide booths or tables close than 6 feet.
5. Event Centers/Community Events: (This section is effective for events scheduled for September 18th and later)
- Must adhere to social distancing guidelines (participants 6-feet apart) and the wearing of cloth masks is required except as outlined and approved in their mitigation plan and as provided in Governor's Executive Order 20-52.
 - The entity organizing the event is responsible for submitting a remediation plan to the Crawford County Health Department at radamson@crowfordcohd.org no later than one week prior to the event.
 - Hand sanitizer should be readily available throughout the premises for the duration of the event.
 - School activities have been previously vetted by the local health officer(s) and are not subject to this Order.

Section Three. Pursuant to K.S.A. 65-129b, any sheriff, deputy sheriff or other law enforcement officer of the state or any political subdivision within Crawford County, Kansas is hereby ordered to assist in the execution or enforcement of this order. Specifically law enforcement witnessing violations of this order or responding to complaints shall provide a written narrative to the health department describing the violation(s) in detail. Local health officers have the final determination regarding further restrictions or closures.

Section Four. This Order is effective at 12:00 P.M. on September 4, 2020 and shall remain in effect until amended, superseded, or rescinded.

Any business failing to comply with any of the above requirements may face further limitations of business service up to and including closure of the business. Any business closed pursuant to this Order must submit a remediation plan to the health department at radamson@crawfordcohd.org and be inspected before reopening.

This Order supersedes Local Health Officer Order No. 2 and shall remain in effect from **September 4, 2020** until amended superseded, or rescinded in writing, by the Crawford County Local Health Officer or the Board of Crawford County Commissioners, sitting as the Board of Health.

IT IS SO ORDERED:



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APPROVED:



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