

# **CITY OF AVALON**

## **BUILDING AND SAFETY**

### **COVID-19 CONSTRUCTION GUIDELINES**



**The following guidelines are based on Interim CDEC’s Guidance for Businesses and Employers to Plan and Respond to Coronavirus Disease 2019, OSHA’s Guidance on Preparing Workplaces for COVID-19, and Executive Orders from Governor Newsome and L.A. County Public Health Guidelines.**

Construction industry employers shall adhere to and employ exposure control measures which includes social distancing; symptom checking; hygiene; and decontamination procedures. These practices must be followed to prevent any onsite worker from contracting COVID-19, as many people with Covid-19 are asymptomatic and can potentially spread disease.

**FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH THESE GUIDELINES SHALL BE DEEMED AS CREATING UNSAFE CONDITIONS AND MAY RESULT IN WITHHELD INSPECTIONS OR SHUTTING DOWN THE CONSTRUCTION SITE UNTIL CORRECTED.**

City staff will verify compliance with these guidelines during regular scheduled inspections for projects under construction as well as during investigations associated with complaints that may be submitted to the City.

1. Practice social distancing by maintaining a minimum 6-foot distance from others.
2. Preclude gatherings of any size, and anytime two or more people must meet, ensure minimum 6-foot separation.
3. Provide personal protective equipment (PPE) such as gloves, goggles, face shields and face masks as appropriate for the activity being performed.
4. The owner/contractor shall designate a site specific COVID-19 supervisor to enforce this guidance. A designated COVID-19 Supervisor shall be present on the construction site at all times during construction activities. The COVID-19 supervisor can be an on-site worker who is designated to carry this role.
5. Identify ‘choke points’ and “high-risk areas” where workers are forced to stand together, such a hallways, hoists and elevators, break areas, and buses, and control them so social distancing is maintained.
6. Minimize interactions when pickup up or delivering equipment or materials, ensure minimum 6-foot separation.
7. Stagger the trades as necessary to reduce density and maintain minimum 6-foot separation social distancing.
8. Discourage workers from using other workers’ phones, desks, offices, work tools and equipment. If necessary, clean and disinfect them before and after use.
9. Post in areas visible to all workers these guidelines.
10. Place wash stations or hand sanitizers in multiple locations to encourage hand hygiene.
11. Require anyone on the project to stay home if they are sick, except to get medical care.
12. Have employees inform their supervisor if they have a sick family member at home with Covid-19.
13. If commuting on the Express Boat to work in Avalon, maintain social distancing and hand washing guidelines during commutes.