

Face Coverings now Required in Salt Lake County – City of West Jordan Following Guidelines

Salt Lake County's request to require face coverings in the county has been granted and will go into effect TONIGHT at midnight (12AM Saturday morning). West Jordan will follow the direction of State and County health leaders.

Salt Lake County Mayor Jenny Wilson received the letter from Governor Herbert this morning, granting the authority to implement the mandatory mask program in Salt Lake County. The letter was sent to the health department director.

"We've got the green light to move forward and in a couple of hours we'd have signed our order which will be effective tonight at midnight," said Mayor Wilson.

County leaders say the goal of this requirement is not enforcement or to penalize anyone; the goal is to send a strong, clear message about the gravity of our current COVID circumstances.

In Salt Lake County face coverings will be required:

- At public gatherings, indoor or out, where consistent social distancing is not possible.
- While waiting outside or inside retail and other public locations, including bars and restaurants until seated.

Face coverings will NOT be required:

- Outdoors when social distancing is maintained.
- On a person with a health condition exacerbated by a face covering.
- On children under 2-years-old.
- When wearing a face covering prevents the performance of the essential functions of a person's job or work.
- In circumstances not reasonably conducive to wearing a face covering. (i.e. while swimming or engaging in strenuous physical activity.)

Health leaders say wearing a face covering correctly is one of the easiest ways to help our local businesses, and community fight against COVID-19.

For any questions regarding this mandate please reach out to Mayor Jenny Wilson's office by visiting slco.org.