


MEMORANDUM

LOUISVILLE METRO POLICE DEPARTMENT

GREG FISCHER
MAYOR

STEVE CONRAD
CHIEF OF POLICE

TO: All Personnel

FROM: Steve Conrad 
Chief of Police

DATE: March 18, 2020

**RE: Current Business Restrictions During the COVID-19 Pandemic
Special Order #20-007**

On March 6, in response to the current COVID-19 situation, Governor Beshear signed an Executive Order declaring a state of emergency.

On March 16, the Cabinet for Health and Family Services ordered a restriction limiting bars, locations that sell alcohol, and restaurants to carry-out, delivery, and drive-thru only in an effort to minimize in-person interaction. Onsite consumption of food and beverages is prohibited.

By 5:00 p.m. on March 16, 2020 food and beverage sales are restricted to carry-out, delivery and drive-thru only; no onsite consumption is permitted.

On March 17, the Cabinet for Health and Family Services ordered a restriction closing gyms, hair and nail salons, recreation facilities, theaters, and more:

By 5:00 p.m. on March 18, 2020, all public-facing businesses that encourage public congregation, or that by nature of the service to the public, cannot comply with CDC guidelines concerning social distancing, shall cease all in-person operations.

These public-facing businesses that must close include entertainment, hospitality and recreational facilities, community and recreation centers, gyms and exercise facilities, hair salons, nail salons, spas, concert venues, theaters, and sporting event facilities.

For the avoidance of doubt, businesses providing food, food processing, agriculture, industrial manufacturing, feed mills, construction, trash

collection, retail, grocery and consumer goods, home repair/hardware and auto repair, pharmacy, and other medical facilities, biomedical and healthcare, post offices, insurance, banks, gas stations, laundromats, veterinary clinics and pet stores, warehousing, storage and distribution, public transportation, and hotel and commercial lodging may remain open....

Within Louisville Metro, enforcement of the above orders rests primarily with our Department of Public Health and Wellness.

The Department of Public Health delegates to local health departments the authority to take all necessary measures to implement this Order.

What should an officer do if he/she witnesses a business operating in contradiction to these orders or the officer receives a complaint from a citizen about such a violation?

1. Inform the complainant to call 311 to report the infraction. A ticket will be created and directed to the Department of Public Health and Wellness.
2. The officer should call MetroSafe to report the issue.

If an officer has any other related issues, the Department of Public Health and Wellness may be reached at (502) 574-6650.

As stated above, the enforcement of this order shall rest with the Department of Public Health and Wellness. The Department of Public Health and Wellness may delegate this authority to other agencies.

If, while on-scene, the Health Department requests police assistance, we will respond and support their efforts.

A copy of the Cabinet for Health and Family Services orders are attached to this Special Order.

All members having computer access are responsible for reading, understanding, and acknowledging receipt of this Special Order, using the PowerDMS Document Management System. Members without computer access will continue to sign an accountability roster, as they have in the past.

All commanding officers will ensure that their personnel are made aware of this information.

This Special Order will be posted in each division, section, or unit for a period of ten (10) days. Please refer any questions through the appropriate chain of command.