

**ORDER OF THE YOLO COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH OFFICER AMENDING THE
MARCH 18, 2020 SHELTER IN PLACE ORDER, AS EXTENDED ON APRIL 1, 2020,
TO ALLOW SPECIFIED OUTDOOR RECREATION ACTIVITIES**

DATE OF ORDER: APRIL 24, 2020

Please read this Order carefully. Violation of, or failure to comply with, this Order is a misdemeanor punishable by fine, imprisonment, or both. (California Health and Safety Code § 120295 *et seq.*; California Penal Code § 69, 148(a)(1)).

UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF CALIFORNIA HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE SECTIONS 101040, 101085, 120175, AND 120220 THE HEALTH OFFICER OF THE COUNTY OF YOLO (“HEALTH OFFICER”) HEREBY ORDERS:

1. Background; Effective Date. On March 18, 2020, the Health Officer issued an order entitled “Order of the Yolo County Public Health Officer Directing Individuals to Shelter in Place of Residence and Restricting Non-Essential Activities in Response to COVID-19 Outbreak, With Exceptions and Exemptions, as Specified” (the “Local Shelter Order”). The Local Shelter Order was subsequently extended through May 1, 2020 at 11:59 p.m., and will be further extended prior to its expiration. Capitalized terms in this Order are defined in the Local Shelter Order, available on the Yolo County website (see link below¹) and incorporated herein by this reference.

The Local Shelter Order effectively closed many recreational facilities, including but not limited to golf courses, boat ramps and launches, and hunting clubs. The purpose of this Order is to modify and supersede restrictions in the Shelter in Place Order concerning specified outdoor activities identified below. This Order applies only to those activities specifically identified herein, and does not authorize other outdoor recreation and similar activities prohibited by the local Shelter Order.

This Order is effective immediately upon its release and, unless later amended, superseded, or rescinded by further order of the Health Officer, it shall remain in effect through the expiration of the Local Shelter Order, as may be extended from time to time. Except as expressly set forth herein, nothing in this Order modifies the Local Shelter Order, which remains in full force and effect

2. Outdoor Recreation. The following outdoor recreation activities are allowed subject to restrictions set forth herein:

A. Golf Courses. All golf courses in the County, whether public or private, may be opened for limited use as outlined herein upon completion of the “Golf Course Physical Distancing Plan” included as **Exhibit A** hereto. This includes driving ranges and practice putting areas, but excludes clubhouses, in-person dining, and pro shops except as specified in the Physical Distancing Plan. Golf may resume on all golf courses with groups of no

¹ <https://www.yolocounty.org/health-human-services/adults/communicable-disease-investigation-and-control/novel-coronavirus-2019/shelter-in-place>

more than four persons subject to full compliance with the completed Physical Distancing Plan and any additional requirements set forth in Section 3, below.

In operating golf courses pursuant to this Order, the facility operator or manager shall provide security or patrolling to ensure golfers' compliance with the requirements of this Order and the Physical Distancing Plan (including but not limited to social distancing).

To the extent that any golf club and/or golf course includes a gym, fitness center, beauty salon, or spa, these amenities shall remain closed.

This Order does not restrict the ability of individuals to walk a golf course for exercise, if permitted by the course operator, so long as social distancing practices are maintained at all times.

B. Boat Ramps and Launches. All boat ramps and launches, public or private, may be opened for limited use subject to compliance by all facilities and individuals with the restrictions set forth in Section 3, below. Related water-based recreation activities such as tubing and water skiing are also allowed subject to the same restrictions. Boat and equipment rentals are not allowed.

C. Hunting Clubs and Practice Ranges. All hunting clubs, shooting ranges, archery ranges and substantially similar facilities, whether public or private, may be opened for limited use as outlined herein upon completion of the "Outdoor Shooting and Archery Ranges Physical Distancing Plan" included as **Exhibit B** hereto. All operators, managers, and participants shall adhere to the restrictions set forth in the completed Physical Distancing Plan and any additional restrictions set forth in Section 3, below. In addition, in operating a hunting club or range pursuant to this Order, the facility operator or manager shall provide security or patrolling to ensure patrons' compliance with the requirements of this Order and the Physical Distancing Plan (including but not limited to social distancing).

D. Fishing. Nothing in the Local Shelter Order was intended to restrict bank fishing except to the extent it may result in a "gathering" prohibited by that Order (including but not limited to Section 4 thereof). In all other respects, bank fishing is permitted and may continue subject to compliance with social distancing and other restrictions generally applicable to outdoor activities in force throughout the County.

3. General Restrictions. Those operating or conducting activities covered by Section 2, above, as well as all individuals participating in such activities, shall adhere to all applicable restrictions in the Local Shelter Order, the Face Covering Order issued on April 24, 2020, any amendment to those orders, and any subsequent restrictions that may be imposed by state or local authorities (including the state or local Health Officers). Consistent with such orders, the following restrictions shall be observed and enforced in connection with activities covered by this Order:

A. Social distancing must be practiced at all times by participants in the activities covered by this Order, excluding only members of the same household. This includes while in parking areas, clubhouses, and other common use areas.

To the extent necessary to ensure individuals are able to comply with social distancing requirements with reasonable effort, every entity that manages facilities or activities covered by this Order shall take appropriate measures to reduce crowding by, among other things, restricting the number of entrants and/or closing areas to vehicular access and parking.

B. No tournaments, fundraisers, or similar gatherings prohibited by the local Shelter in Place Order shall be held by, hosted by, or occur at any facility covered by this Order.

The operator(s) of each facility or business covered by Section 2, above, shall ensure adherence to all restrictions described or referenced in this Order, and shall deny access to and/or use all reasonable efforts to remove individuals that fail to comply. The failure to effectively comply with restrictions set forth herein may result in revocation of authority to engage in such activities for the duration of the local Shelter in Place Order.

4. Relationship to State Shelter Order. On March 19, 2020, the State Public Health Officer issued an Order (the “State Shelter Order”) setting baseline statewide restrictions on non-residential business activities, effective until further notice. Also on March 19, 2020, Governor Newsom issued Executive Order N-33-20, directing California residents to follow the State Shelter Order.

The State Shelter Order is complementary to the Local Shelter Order and all other orders, including this order, issued by the local Health Officer. Where a conflict exists between a local order and any state public health order related to the COVID-19 pandemic, the most restrictive provision controls pursuant to, and consistent with, California Health and Safety Code § 131080 and the Health Officer Practice Guide for Communicable Disease Control in California, unless the State Health Officer issues an order that expressly determines a provision of the Shelter in Place Order is a menace to public health. Any more restrictive provision(s) in the Shelter in Place Order shall continue to apply and control in this County.

5. Enforcement. Pursuant to Government Code §§ 26602 and 41601 and Health and Safety Code § 101029, the Health Officer requests that the Sheriff and all chiefs of police in the County ensure compliance with and enforce the requirements of this Order. The violation of any provision of this Order constitutes an imminent threat and menace to public health, constitutes a public nuisance, and is punishable by fine, imprisonment, or both.

6. Effective Date. This Order shall become effective immediately upon issuance and will continue to be in effect or until rescinded, superseded, or amended in writing by the Health Officer.

7. Posting; Distribution. Copies of this Order shall promptly be: (1) made available at the County Administration Building at 625 Court Street, Woodland, CA 95695; (2) posted on the County website (www.yolocounty.org); and (3) provided to any member of the public requesting a copy of this Order.

8. Severability. If any provision of this Order or its application to any person or circumstance is held to be invalid, the remainder of the Order, including the application of such part or provision

to other persons or circumstances, shall not be affected and shall continue in full force and effect. To this end, the provisions of this Order are severable.

IT IS SO ORDERED:



Ron Chapman, MD, MPH
Health Officer of the County of Yolo

Dated: April 24, 2020

Attachments:

Exhibit A. Template Golf Course Physical Distancing Plan

Exhibit B. Template Outdoor Shooting and Archery Range Physical Distancing Plan

EXHIBIT A

Golf Course Physical Distancing Plan

Golf Course Name:

Facility Address:

The following measures shall be implemented to protect employees and golfers from transmission of coronavirus at golf courses.¹

Signage

Place a sign at each entrance to the pro shop, locker room, dining area, and other relevant buildings to inform all employees and golfers that they should:

- avoid entering the facility if they feel sick, or have a cough or fever;
- maintain a minimum six-foot distance from anyone who is not a household member;
- sneeze and cough into a cloth or tissue or, if not available, into one's elbow;
- not shake hands or engage in any unnecessary physical contact; and,
- wear a face covering in compliance with this plan.

Post a copy of this Plan at each entrance to the pro shop, locker room, dining area, and other relevant buildings.

Measures to Protect Employee Health

Everyone who can carry out their work duties from home has been directed to do so.

All employees have been told not to come to work if sick.

Symptom checks are being conducted before employees enter the work space.

All work stations are separated by at least six feet.

Break rooms, bathrooms, and other common areas are being disinfected frequently, on the following schedule:

Break rooms:

Bathrooms:

Other:

¹ This golf course physical distancing plan was informed by the National Golf Course Owners Association's Park and Play: Making Your Course Social Distance Ready document, as well as best practices from Yolo County golf courses.

Disinfectant and related supplies are available to all employees at the following location(s):

Hand sanitizer effective against COVID-19 is available to all employees at the following location(s):

Soap and water are available to all employees at the following location(s):

Consistent with the Yolo County Health Officer Face Covering Order, employees and golfers are required to wear a face covering that covers the nose and mouth when indoors. Provide such face coverings to employees if needed.

Copies of this Plan have been distributed to all employees.

Optional—Describe other measures:

Measures to Protect Golfer Health off the Course

Dining areas may only remain open for grab-and-go service or delivery.

Remove seating from dining areas.

Servers are to wear face coverings.

Servers are to wash their hands or change gloves frequently.

Require golfers to leave the property immediately after playing to eliminate congestion.

Face coverings are to be used in all public areas off the course.

Retail sales are not allowed.

Prop open doors to common areas and dining area, or set a schedule to frequently sanitize frequently touched surfaces (door handles, faucets, etc.).

Locker rooms will be closed with access limited to restrooms/sinks.

Require tee times to be made in advance over the phone and eliminate walk-up tee times.

Require payment in advance using a method that does not require exchange of physical currency (e.g., credit card).

Allow golfers to proceed to the first tee without any physical contact or entry into the pro shop.

Tournaments are not allowed during a Public Health Order prohibiting gatherings.

- Rope off common gathering areas.
 - All employees have been instructed to maintain at least a six-foot distance from golfers and from each other, except employees may momentarily come closer when necessary to accept payment, deliver goods or services, or as otherwise necessary.
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Measures to Protect Golfer Health in Practice Areas

- Remove all flagsticks from the practice area.
 - Cover cups, or create a barrier, so the ball cannot be holed.
 - Driving range should remain closed. If left open, space stalls further apart and wash balls after they are collected and before they are returned to circulation.
 - Golfers may only use their own balls on practice putting greens.
 - Optional—Describe other measures:
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Measures to Protect Golfer Health on the Course

- Spread out tee time intervals.
- Discontinue club rentals.
- Pre-position carts near the first tee.
- Affix a scorecard and new pencil to the steering wheel of each sanitized cart before use.
- Sharing carts with other golfers not from the same household is prohibited.
- Instruct golfers to not touch flagsticks or remove flagsticks.
- Cover cups, or create a barrier, so the ball cannot be holed.
- Remove rakes from bunkers.
- Disable golf ball washers.
- Remove any water dispensers that require contact. Instruct golfers to bring their own water or provide bottled water.
- Encourage gimmies to reduce crowding near the hole.
- Trash cans should be touchless. Remove lids if present and not operable by foot.
- Course restrooms can remain open provided they are cleaned at least twice per day and the cleaning clearly annotated on a schedule card; prop open the door where feasible.

Optional—Describe other measures (e.g., providing senior-only hours):

Measures to Increase Sanitization

Disinfecting wipes that are effective against COVID-19 are available to sanitize carts and frequently touched surfaces.

Employee(s) assigned to disinfect carts, including rental pull carts, after completion of each use.

Hand sanitizer, soap and water, or effective disinfectant is available to golfers at or near the entrance of the facility, entrance to locker rooms, dining area, and anywhere else where people have direct interactions.

Disinfecting all payment portals, pens, and styluses after each use.

Disinfecting all high-contact surfaces frequently.

Optional—Describe other measures:

You may contact the following person with any questions or comments about this Plan:

Name:

Phone number:

EXHIBIT B

Outdoor Shooting and Archery Ranges Physical Distancing Plan

Facility Name:

Facility Address:

The following measures shall be implemented to protect both employees and guests from transmission of coronavirus at outdoor shooting and archery ranges.

Signage:

Place a sign at each entrance to the facility to inform all employees and guests that they should:

- avoid entering the facility if they feel sick, or have a cough or fever;
- maintain a minimum six-foot distance from anyone who is not a household member;
- sneeze and cough into a cloth or tissue or, if not available, into one's elbow;
- not shake hands or engage in any unnecessary physical contact; and,
- wear a face covering when indoors.

Post a copy of this Physical Distancing Plan at each entrance to the facility.

Measures to Protect Employee Health:

Everyone who can carry out their work duties from home has been directed to do so.

All employees have been told not to come to work if sick.

Symptom checks are being conducted before employees enter the work space.

All work stations are separated by at least six feet.

Break rooms, bathrooms, and other common areas are being disinfected frequently, on the following schedule:

Break rooms:

Bathrooms:

Other:

Disinfectant and related supplies are available to all employees at the following location(s):

Hand sanitizer effective against COVID-19 is available to all employees at the following location(s):

Soap and water are available to all employees at the following location(s):

Employees and guests must wear a face covering that covers the nose and mouth when indoors. Provide such face coverings to employees if needed.

Copies of this Plan have been distributed to all employees.

Optional—Describe other measures:

Measures to Protect Guests:

Require payment in advance that does not require exchange of physical currency (e.g., credit card) If advance payment is not possible, wipe down payment surface after each transaction and maintain social distancing or other barrier during transaction.

Sign any waiver(s) electronically in advance.

No physical contact at check-in is allowed.

Limit the number of customers in indoor portions of the facility at any one time to [insert maximum number here], which allows for customers and employees to easily maintain at least six-foot distance from one another at all practicable times.

Guests must bring their own gun or bow, and their own arrows. No rentals on site are allowed.

Arrows should be retrieved by only one designated person and not each archer (not applicable to shooting ranges).

Arrows should be sanitized before and after use (not applicable to shooting ranges).

Bow racks and scoring tables should be closed from communal use (not applicable to shooting ranges).

Prop open doors or instruct staff to open doors if they cannot be propped open for safety reasons.

Measures to Increase Sanitization

Disinfecting wipes that are effective against COVID-19 are available to sanitize frequently touched surfaces.

Hand sanitizer, soap and water, or effective disinfectant is available to guests at or near the entrance of the facility or anywhere else where people have direct interactions.

Disinfecting all high-contact surfaces frequently.

Optional—Describe other measures:

You may contact the following person with any questions or comments about this Plan:

Name:

Phone number: