

City of Devils Lake, North Dakota

COVID-19 - Face Covering Policy

The City of Devils Lake appreciates the sacrifice that individuals and businesses (including employees and other workers) are making in order to stem the tide of COVID-19 cases. Each one of us - each resident, adult, child, family, business, and store - must do more. As a community, we must all do our part to greatly reduce the spread of this deadly COVID-19 disease.

Article I. Definitions. - For purpose of this policy, the following definitions shall apply:

- a. "Face covering" shall mean a paper or two-layered cloth face mask that covers the nose and mouth completely and includes a paper or disposable face mask or a religious face covering.
- b. "Business" and "businesses" are broadly defined to include entities that employ or engage workers, including private-sector entities, public-sector entities, non-profit entities, and state, county, and local governments.
- c. "Social distancing" means individuals keeping at least six (6) feet of distance from other individual who are not members of their household.
- d. "Household" means a group of individuals who share the same living unit.

Article II. COVID-19 Face Coverings - Every person within the City of Devils Lake is strongly encouraged to wear a face covering over the mouth and nose in all indoor environments where they are exposed to non-household members and where social distancing of six (6) feet or more cannot be assured and in all outdoor settings where there is exposure to non-household members, unless there exists ample space of six (6) feet or more to practice social distancing.

The following shall be exempt from wearing a face covering:

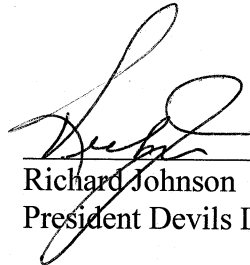
- a. Persons younger than school age, although parents and guardians are encouraged to have such younger children wear face coverings when and where appropriate;
- b. Persons with a medical condition or disability that prevents wearing a face covering;
- c. Persons performing job duties where a six (6) feet distance is not achievable, but a mask is inhibitory to the ability to safely and effectively perform the job duty;
- d. Persons participating in athletic activities where a six (6) feet distance is not achievable, but a mask is inhibitory to the activity;
- e. Persons actively consuming food or drink;
- f. Persons driving a motor vehicle alone or with passengers from the driver's household;
- g. Persons receiving services that require access to the face for security, surveillance, or other purposes may temporarily remove a face covering while receiving those services;
- h. Persons engaged in religious worship activities; however, face coverings are strongly encouraged; and,
- i. Persons giving a speech or performance for broadcast or to an audience; however, those persons shall safely distance from nearby individuals.

Article III. No Penalty - Although these measures are being encouraged with the strongest possible recommendation, there is no penalty for non-compliance with this policy.

Article IV. Effective Date and Term - This policy shall take effect at 8:00 AM on February 3, 2021 and will continue until modified by action of the Devils Lake City Commission or it's president.

Article V. No Face Covering - The City of Devils Lake does not condone the harassment or ridicule of persons who are not wearing masks.

DATED this 1<sup>st</sup> day of February, 2021.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Richard Johnson', is written over a horizontal line. The signature is stylized and cursive.

Richard Johnson  
President Devils Lake City Commission