

Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) Threshold Building Construction Site Guidelines

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Pursuant to Executive Order ## - ##, The City of Tampa has issued a 'Safer at Home' Order to mitigate the impacts of the Coronavirus. The order provides an exemption for 'essential services' including construction. Construction activities are deemed 'essential' and may continue, however, the City is recommending an additional set of operational standards for activities occurring at Threshold buildings.

Fla Building Code Sec. 553.71 "**Threshold building**" means any building which is greater than three stories or 50 feet in height, or which has an assembly occupancy classification as defined in the Florida Building Code which exceeds 5,000 square feet in area and an occupant content of greater than 500 persons.

General Guidelines

- 1. All construction sites are CLOSED to the public; only authorized personnel are allowed on-site.
- 2. All active projects must designate a 'Covid19 Compliance Coordinator' who will be present at the site at all times that the site is active and must be visibly identified with a uniform, vest, or hat, and be accessible to all site workers and City officials at any time.
- 3. All sites should have portable hand washing stations and hand sanitization stations in convenient locations.
- 4. Sites should be prominently post CDC-approved informational materials in dual languages.
- 5. Construction trailers may have no more than 50% occupancy at any time.
- 6. For all job sites, individuals must maintain a minimum of 6 feet separation; if a task or function requires close contact, the task must be postponed.
- 7. Construction grade gloves must be worn at all times, under all conditions, at all locations on the site.
- 8. Food trucks and food delivery must be located outside the job site. On-site food service is prohibited.

Additional Oversight Guidelines

- 9. All site Safety Directors and Project Managers must undergo Covid19 site protection training consistent with CDC standards.
- 10. All sites are subject to a spot-check inspection by an authorized medical professional or practitioner to evaluate compliance with CDC guidelines and the local construction site safety protocols.
- 11. Individuals who fail to meet the construction site safety protocols or are identified as exhibiting 'at risk' characteristics by the medical professional/practitioner, may be immediately removed from the job site and barred from returning until such characteristics have abated.
- 12. All job sites must maintain a detailed action plan and procedures for site access controls; personal hygiene/social distancing; supply chain management; and staff screening protocols.

Companies should adopt the following additional protections

- 1. Work travel restrictions
- 2. Essential personnel identification
- 3. Remote-work guidelines
- 4. Face-to-face meeting restrictions

Pre-screening Methods

Sample web-based screening process http://bit.ly/WalbridgeCOVID2019

