An Order Addressing the Continued Operation of Businesses Open or Set to Reopen in Phase II
Of the Massachusetts Covid-19 State Re-opening Plan

June 6, 2020

The City of Revere Board of Health pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws ch. 111 ss. 95-105 and the Board’s authority to prevent the spread of infectious disease deems that the following action is necessary to protect the public health.

This Order updates the Board’s previous Order of April 1, 2020 addressing “Essential Businesses.”

This Order supersedes any Directive or Guidance issued by a Corporate or parent company to management of a facility located in the City of Revere, and nullifies any such Directive or Guidance to the extent it contradicts or is inconsistent with this Order, but in no case shall this Order prohibit or discourage any measures implemented by any facility consistent with and in the spirit of promoting the objective of this Order with regard to the safety and health of employees and the public.

Whereas, the Governor of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts has authorized the commencement of Phase II in the re-opening of businesses during the Covid-19 pandemic;

Whereas the Governor’s Order permits businesses to remain open, and certain businesses that had been previously ordered to close to re-open subject to preventative measures, restrictions, and guidelines for employee and customer behavior while on the premises of said businesses, including generally but not exclusively the requirements of facial covering, social distancing, and sanitation procedures;

Whereas, the Revere Board of Health recognizes the need within all businesses for heightened adherence to guidelines and policies to protect their employees and the public, and further the need for consistency among all businesses in developing strategies for such protection;

Now, therefore, the City of Revere Board of Health ORDERS that all businesses operating with the City of Revere implement and enforce the following measures, said measures to constitute a minimum requirement within each business for the protection of employees and the public:

1. ALL BUSINESSES SHALL ASSURE THE PRESENCE ON THEIR PROPERTY AND WITHIN THE BUSINESS OF THE FOLLOWING:

   a. ZERO TOLERANCE for the presence of any employee or agent of the business who is sick, feels sick, or exhibits symptoms of being sick; and any such person is to be sent home;
   b. Facilities with sufficient running hot water, soap, hand-sanitizer as available, disinfectant spray as available, and ample and sufficient time for employees to regularly and frequently wash their hands;
   c. A copy/copies of this Order posted in a conspicuous places visible to employees and the public, with at least one copy posted at any place where the public enters the facility;
   d. Clear floor markings and/or signage that establish a buffer zone of no less than six feet to be maintained between customers and business employees;
   e. A plan for regularly cleaning/sanitizing surfaces with which the public and/or employees frequently touch, such as door handles, toilet facilities, faucets, telephones, keyboards, shopping carts and shopping baskets, menus and any other such surface or item;
2. LIMITATIONS OF THE NUMBER OF CUSTOMERS IN THE STORE AT ANY ONE TIME:

Every business in the City of Revere that opens during Phase II of the Re-opening plan issued by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts shall limit the number of customers in the facility at any one time in accord with the limitations contained in the Revere Board of Health’s Order of April 1, or according to the following formula, whichever results in allowing the greater number of patrons at the business:

Four (4) customers per 1000 square feet of sales space. This is in addition to store employees. Square footage of sales space determined on facility plans maintained by the Revere Board of Assessors.

3. PROCEDURES FOR LIMITING AND CONTROLLING ENTRY INTO A FACILITY:

In limiting the number of customers inside a facility at any one time as listed in Section 2, every such business shall create and implement:

a. The clear delineation of a “waiting area” for customers where such customers are separated by at least six feet from one another while awaiting entry into a facility, or other plan to allow for the orderly entry of customers in compliance with this Order;
b. Prominent signage requesting customers stand no less than six feet away from other customers;
c. Where staffing reasonably permits, the assignment of at least one business employee, or an agent of the business, to oversee and tally the number of customers entering and exiting the business and to oversee social distancing requirements;
d. Encourage the use of online ordering and delivery services as may be available in order to reduce the number of persons who need to enter a facility.

3. USE OF REUSABLE BAGS:

a. No customer of any establishment shall be allowed to use, and no person shall be allowed to bag items into reusable bags. The provisions of Revere Revised Ordinances 08.040.090 banning the use of plastic and single-use plastic bags are hereby suspended during the time of the Declared Emergency;

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