



Manitowoc County Health Department

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Manitowoc County Extends Safer at Home Restrictions through May 20th with a Goal of Safely Re-Opening Next Week

In response to the Supreme Court ruling on May 13th regarding the revocation of the Safer at Home Order, Manitowoc County Public Health Officer, Mary Halada, has issued a local public health order extending the provisions outlined in the Safer at Home order through 11:59pm on May 20th in Manitowoc County. This includes the provisions of Emergency Orders 28, 34, and 36. This action will allow local businesses to make preparations now to open safely on May 21st, by following the guidelines outlined by the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation (WEDC). These guidelines can be found at <https://wedc.org/reopen-guidelines/>. The Health Department will be educating businesses over the next week about the best practices for safely re-opening. These practices generally include mechanisms to allow for social distancing and frequent disinfecting of surfaces as well as other measures outlined on the WEDC website.

“We want to ensure our local businesses can open and the residents of Manitowoc County can enjoy their freedoms,” said Manitowoc County Executive, Bob Ziegelbauer. “We also want businesses to open safely by educating them and allowing them to take voluntary steps to keep our residents safe going forward.”

Residents are also urged to continue practicing social distancing whenever possible by avoiding crowds, maintaining social distance of 6 or more feet, wearing a cloth mask if they can, washing their hands frequently, covering coughs & sneezes, and staying home if they are feeling sick. “It is up to every resident in the County to remain diligent in preventing the spread of the virus so that we don’t see a sharp increase of cases in the future” said Mary Halada, Public Health Officer.

Additional information can be found on the County’s COVID-19 page at <http://www.manitowocounty.org> and click on the COVID-19 banner.