

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF POLICE

NOTICE

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TO: All Concerned Personnel

FROM: Chief of Police

SUBJECT: DEPARTMENT EXPECTATIONS ON WEARING FACE COVERINGS

Cloth face coverings, when worn correctly, are a critical tool in the fight against COVID-19 and could reduce the spread of the disease. Sadly, we have lost two of our own to this pandemic. It is everyone's responsibility to help prevent the spread of COVID-19. Wearing face coverings is one way to accomplish this.

As such, all Department employees (sworn and civilian) are reminded that wearing face coverings is mandatory in the City of Los Angeles while in public or near other persons. Employees whose duties require contact with other employees and/or the public shall wear face coverings, including while in hallways, lavatories, common areas, elevators or attending in-person meetings.

The only exceptions to this Notice are while within your own workspace and obeying social distancing guidelines (currently six feet of distance between you and the other person), when wearing face coverings could jeopardize officer safety (e.g., tactical situations), or if you have a documented medical exemption due to an underlying health condition.

Several notices regarding this mandate were previously disseminated to all Department personnel, yet we continue to receive reports of non-compliance. Moving forward, progressive disciplinary action will be taken to ensure adherence to this policy.

Any questions regarding this Notice should be directed to Commander Marc Reina, Employee Relations Administrator, at 213-486-7600.


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Chief of Police

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