

## Common Questions and Answers for Manzanita Citizens during the Covid-19 Outbreak

The following information is intended to answer the most common questions now being asked by Manzanita Citizens during the ongoing Coronavirus outbreak. By working together, we can minimize the impact and save lives in our community. Washing your hands frequently, social distancing, staying at home, avoiding groups of people, and not traveling unnecessarily are just some of the ways that all of us can help our families, friends, and neighbors. If you have additional questions, please reach out to the City of Manzanita, (503) 368-5343 or email [snuttall@ci.manzanita.or.us](mailto:snuttall@ci.manzanita.or.us) and we will answer you as soon as possible.

# City of Manzanita Q&A

## **What is the best source of information for what is happening regarding the Coronavirus outbreak?**

City staff and elected officials are working closely together to make sure you can receive the most accurate and timely information. Each day, Mayor Mike Scott provides a video briefing and City staff are issuing press releases and any other information you may need. All of the material can be found on the City website, <http://ci.manzanita.or.us> under the heading COVID-19. In addition, the City Facebook page, found under “City of Manzanita,” contains useful information. If you are unable to access these sites, please feel free to contact the City at (503) 368-5343.

## **What are the things that I should be watching for?**

### Watch for Symptoms

Reported illnesses have ranged from mild symptoms to severe illness and death for confirmed coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) cases.

These symptoms may appear 2-14 days after exposure (based on the incubation period of MERS-CoV viruses).

- Fever
- Cough
- Shortness of Breath

If you develop emergency warning signs for COVID-19 get medical attention immediately. Emergency warning signs include\*:

- Trouble breathing
- Persistent pain or pressure in the chest
- New confusion or inability to arouse
- Bluish lips or face

\*This list is not all inclusive. Please consult your medical provider for any other symptoms that are severe or concerning.

*The above information is compiled from the Center for Disease Control – March 25, 2020.*

### **Are short-term rentals allowed in the City of Manzanita at this time?**

**No.** On Sunday, March 22, 2020, Mayor Mike Scott, with unanimous concurrence of the City Council, passed a resolution and order suspending the Manzanita Short Term rental program. They asked all visitors to the City to please return to their homes. Since that time, the City has received nearly universal compliance and extends its deepest appreciation to the homeowners, rental management companies, and all those involved in the Manzanita Short Term Rental industry. The City will continue to monitor the situation and the continued need for STR restrictions. The City website <http://ci.manzanita.or.us> has all the latest information.

### **Have all short-term rental agencies and homeowners been notified of the STR suspension?**

**Yes.** On Sunday, March 22, 2020 after the order to suspend operations was made, the City reached out via email to all licensed STR responsible parties to announce the shut-down. In addition, phone contact was either attempted or made to all management firms or small businesses both locally and around the country that manage multiple properties in Manzanita. The city is pleased to report that, with few exceptions, the response from the STR community has been quite positive as they understand the seriousness of the current situation. The City will maintain regular communication with the STR community as it monitors the changing situation.

### **What if you have continued STR activity going on in your neighborhood? Who do I call?**

There is always the possibility that a manager or operator of a specific short-term rental unit is unaware of the shut-down or is choosing not to comply. If you are concerned about a short-term rental property operating in your neighborhood, please do **not** engage in discussion or confrontation. You should contact the City at (503) 368-5343. We will make every effort to ask for voluntary compliance, but the City is prepared to issue citations to those who are intentionally violating the emergency order of March 22, 2020.

### **Are 2nd homeowners allowed in their homes?**

**Yes.** The City and community are asking second homeowners not to “back and forth” from other areas, which increases the risk of exposure to all Manzanita residents. Under the Governor’s order of Monday, March 23, non-essential travel is not permitted. Second homeowners should identify a location where they intend to “stay at home” for the foreseeable future and avoid traveling to or visiting other locations from time to time. **The City of Manzanita strongly encourages second homeowners to stay in their primary residence rather than their second homes. Medical capacity, hospital beds, and food supplies are limited within Manzanita and we are all at risk if those resources are spread too thin.** If you have questions, please call the City at (503) 368-5343.

## **When can we expect the City State of Emergency to be over?**

There is uncertainty at all levels of government regarding the future. The “stay at home” order by the Governor, issued on Monday, March 23, 2020 is currently in force for the foreseeable future. The City continues to seek advice from health officials, state and local government so we can make appropriate recommendations for Manzanita residents. Taking strong action now gives us the best opportunity to slow or stop the spread of this virus and return to some state of normalcy faster than if we did not implement restrictions.

## **Are there ongoing meetings about the Coronavirus happening in Manzanita?**

**Yes.** The Stay-at-Home orders prevents us from organizing face-to-face meetings or community-wide meetings. However, the Mayor has daily briefings from both County and State government officials, and City of Manzanita Council members are receiving individual daily briefings. Mayor Mike Scott and City employees are using a team approach to assign specific work tasks to Council members. As tasks are completed, information and/or instructions are issued to our citizens. The City expects to continue this approach as needed.

## **What precautions should I be taking, especially if I am in the “vulnerable” population?**

The Center for Disease Control (CDC) has identified certain population segments that are more at risk for serious illness from the virus than other groups. So far, we know that adults over 65 who are compromised with other underlying illnesses, such as diabetes, coronary disease, or immune compromised conditions are the most severely at-risk groups. Since Manzanita’s population includes many older residents, our community’s response to this virus is critically important. You should minimize or eliminate contact with other individuals, particularly those that may be sick. The most important thing you can do is **STAY AT HOME.**

## **Is Manzanita Links Golf Course open?**

**Yes.** Golf has been cleared by the Governor’s office as a socially acceptable method of exercise and outdoor activity when social distancing protocols are followed. Manzanita Link’s management has further enhanced its safety measures. Please call or check the golf course website <http://manzanitalinks.com> for information.

## **Are the City Park, Visitors Center and Public restrooms open?**

**No.** For us to maintain social distancing and help avoid the spread of the Coronavirus, these facilities will remain closed. In addition, City Hall is currently closed to the public. The phone number for City Hall is (503) 368-5343.

### **Are the beaches open?**

**Yes.** But all public access points to the beach are closed. This means parking lots, restrooms, or places where people can congregate will remain closed. The beach itself is not closed.

### **What do I need to do if I want to walk on the beach?**

Please follow all CDC guidelines, including social distancing. Stay at home if you are sick. Maintain social distancing

### **Can I walk in my neighborhood with a friend?**

**Yes.** But please follow all CDC guidelines, including social distancing. Stay at home if you are sick. Maintain social distancing

### **Are grocery stores open?**

**Yes.** Grocery stores are trying to follow all CDC guidelines, especially social distancing. Manzanita Grocery and Deli – The Little Apple is open from 7a.m. to 8p.m. and offers delivery for those in need, call (503) 368-5362.

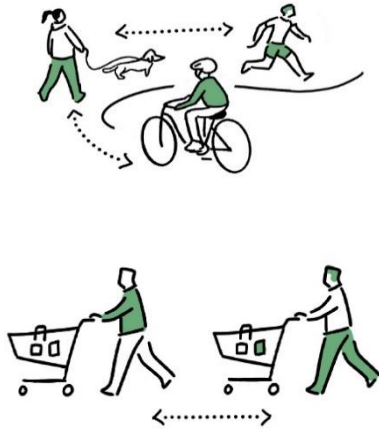
Manzanita Fresh Foods is open from 7a.m. to 7:30p.m. and offers deliver and curbside pickup through email at [frontend@freshfoodsmarketplace.com](mailto:frontend@freshfoodsmarketplace.com)

### **Are restaurants open in Manzanita?**

**Yes, for take-out only.** Various restaurants in our community have adjusted their operations to “take-out” only so they can comply with the Governor’s Emergency Order. You should refer to the following “Explore Manzanita” web page to find hours of operation and menus for many of the dining establishments in the area:

[http://exploremanzanita.com/local-take-out-delivery/?fbclid=IwAR031vFmu61TWqUvIVzChtuO1xRS\\_Ypwa1Ewe7l2zRQ6lpopEetPvn3gn2Y](http://exploremanzanita.com/local-take-out-delivery/?fbclid=IwAR031vFmu61TWqUvIVzChtuO1xRS_Ypwa1Ewe7l2zRQ6lpopEetPvn3gn2Y)

**Below are examples presented in graphic format for activities that are acceptable during at “stay at home” order. Please note the social distancing portrayed by the dotted arrows.**



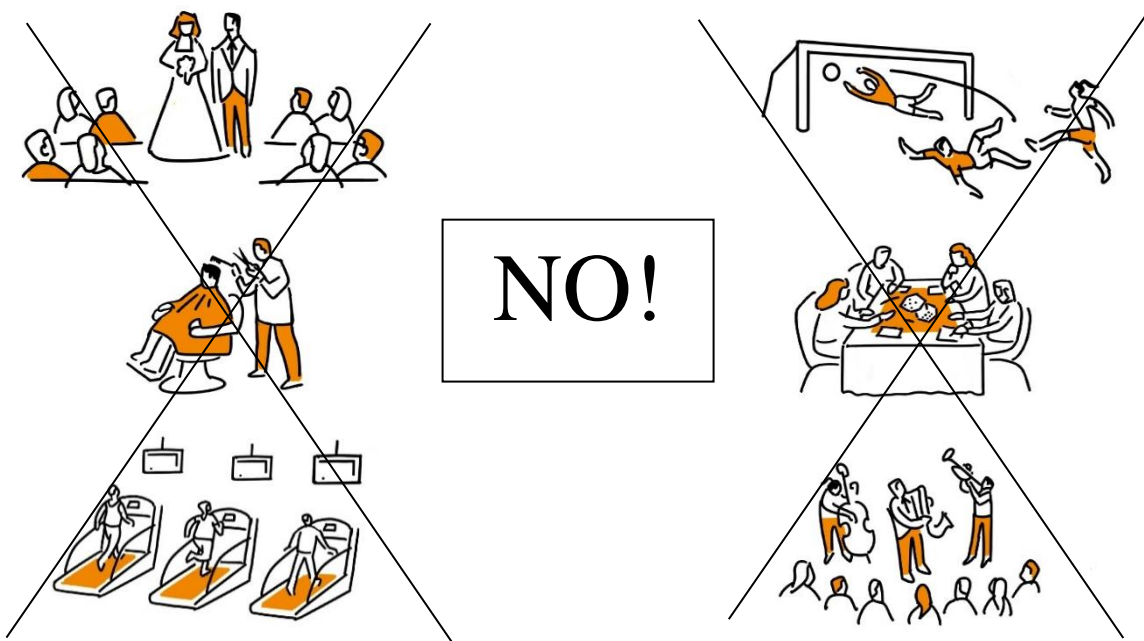
**OK!**



Grocery shopping, restaurant take-out and delivery, walking, biking or running, trips to the pharmacy and travel to service station, laundromats, and banks and ATM's are O.K.!  
**REMEMBER – Practice Social Distancing!**



**Below are examples presented in graphic format for things that are *NOT* acceptable behavior during the current “stay at home” order.**



The activities above are **NOT** appropriate activities during the current stay at home order. For example, going to weddings, funerals or other public gatherings, dining in a public space, barbershops or beauty salons, recreational team sports, gyms, work out facilities, concerts or public gatherings are not allowed and you should **NOT** participate in such activities!

Thank you to the Seattle Times for the above information.

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### **Where else can I get correct and official information?**

The following links provide additional and accurate information.

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/>

[https://govsite-assets.s3.amazonaws.com/jkAULYKcSh6DoDF8wBM0\\_EO%2020-12.pdf](https://govsite-assets.s3.amazonaws.com/jkAULYKcSh6DoDF8wBM0_EO%2020-12.pdf)

<https://www.co.tillamook.or.us/gov/Bocc/COVID-19/2020%2003-22%20PR%20BOC.pdf>

<https://govstatus.egov.com/OR-OHA-COVID-19>

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<http://manzanitamarket.com/important-message-about-covid-19/>