



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

**CURRENT STATUS: Under a Declared State of Emergency**

**USE FACE COVERINGS – inside buildings and when unable to maintain social distancing outside.**

The following are intended to provide answers to the most common questions being asked by Manzanita residents, vacation homeowners and visitors during the ongoing Coronavirus outbreak.

By working together, we can minimize the impact and save lives in our community. The washing of hands, social distancing, staying at home, avoiding groups of people, and no unnecessary travel are just some of the measures now in place and something that all of us can do to help our friends, family and neighbors.

If you have additional questions that you would like added, please reach out to the City of Manzanita, (503) 368-5343.

# City of Manzanita Q&A

## **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*

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

**YES.** Effective July 1, 2020, the City of Manzanita authorized licensed short-term rental properties to operate at 100% of capacity. Short-term rental owners and managers are being asked to follow comprehensive safety and health guidelines that have been created by the Manzanita Short-Term Rental Workgroup. Visitors to the community that plan to occupy a short-term rental property are encouraged to reach out to the rental property manager to learn about enhanced safety standards, along with asking for any special requirements that may have been imposed on the property by the owner. The City will continue to monitor the situation and any additional need for STR restrictions. Please visit the City website <http://ci.manzanita.or.us> to keep up with the latest information.

## **What if you have STR activity happening in your neighborhood and you feel they are not compliant with the current city guidelines? Who do I call?**

While the City has gained wide-spread compliance, there is the potential that a manager or operator of a specific short-term rental is failing to comply with the guidelines as adopted by the City. If you are concerned about a short-term rental property operating inappropriately in your neighborhood, you should contact the City at (503) 368-5343. Every effort will be made to seek voluntary compliance, but the City is prepared to issue citations to those who are violating ordinance requirements. It is important to remember that many recent additional safety guidelines issued by the City for Covid-19 safety, are just that, guidelines – not lawful mandated requirements. Although we have gained a reasonable degree of compliance with most properties, potential visitors should reach out to the specific property they may choose to occupy and determine the efforts undertaken to ensure visitor and occupant safety.

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

**Yes.** There are currently no restrictions on vacation or 2<sup>nd</sup> homeowners occupying their own properties. Previous recommendations for those with the capability of occupying primary homes in more urban locations was made to help protect limited medical capacity and supplies in Tillamook County. The City will continue to monitor virus conditions specifically in Tillamook County and the City of Manzanita and will move to implement further restrictions should conditions warrant.

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

There is a great deal of uncertainty at all levels of government regarding the course of action going forward. The City will continue to monitor the current situation in Manzanita, including seeking advice from health officials, state, and local government agencies and officials. As has been stated throughout the beginning of this pandemic, by taking continued strong actions now we have the best opportunity to slow or stop the spread of the virus and return to some state of normalcy faster than with no action.

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

**Yes.** Although gathering in groups prevent face-to-face meetings or community-wide meetings, the Mayor and other officials have been continuously involved with regular briefings from both County and State government officials since the beginning of the pandemic. In addition, City of Manzanita Council members have received individual and general Council briefings. During any declared State of Emergency, the City has instituted a Friday update briefing for the general public, 10:00 a.m. Login instructions for Friday updates can be found on the City website, <http://www.ci.manzanita.or.us>. The City has continued to work with a comprehensive team-oriented approach with City staff, partnership agencies, citizen volunteers and City Council members under the direction of Mayor Mike Scott. Various groups and individuals have been assigned specific work tasks which are then compiled by the City and distributed to the community. The City expects to continue this approach into the foreseeable future.

## **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 likely more at risk for serious illness from the virus than other groups. At this point, we know that the most severely impacted are older adults (over 65) and who are compromised with other underlying illnesses, such as diabetes, coronary disease, or immune compromised conditions. Unfortunately, Manzanita’s population includes many older residents making our communities response to this virus critically important. The most important thing to remember is to **STAY AT HOME** whenever possible, wear a mask, wash hands frequently and social distance when within six feet of other individuals.

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

**YES**, the City Park, Visitors Center and City controlled Public Restrooms are open and available. To check on the current status on various City owned facilities, please visit the City website at <http://www.ci.manzanita.or.us> or call (503) 368-5343.

### Are the beaches open?

**YES**, you are welcome to visit Oregon beaches. The City of Manzanita urges you to postpone your plans to visit if anyone in your party is sick or is showing signs of illness. We will welcome you back when everyone in your party is healthy!

### 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
- **Please wear a mask** when you are unable to social distance outside.

### 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
- **Please wear a mask** when you are unable to social distance outside.

### Are grocery stores open?

- Yes, follow all CDC guidelines, **wear a mask**, and social distance. Many retailers, including grocery stores have additional restrictions in place, including how many individuals can enter the store. Please follow and adhere to individual business requirements and directives.
- 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, various restaurants in the Community have adjusted their operations to a “take-out” only while others provide inside dining with social distancing protocols. “Explore Manzanita” has developed the following web page providing hours of operation and menus for many of the dining establishments in the area.

[http://exploremanzanita.com/local-take-out-delivery/?fbclid=IwAR031vFmu61TWqUvIVzChtuO1xRS\\_Ypwa1Ewe7I2zRQ6lpopEetPvn3gn2Y](http://exploremanzanita.com/local-take-out-delivery/?fbclid=IwAR031vFmu61TWqUvIVzChtuO1xRS_Ypwa1Ewe7I2zRQ6lpopEetPvn3gn2Y)