



MENOMINEE INDIAN TRIBE OF WISCONSIN  
DECLARATION OF STATE OF EMERGENCY COVID-19, 2020  
(CHAPTER 196)

**EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COORDINATOR (COVID-19) (NO. 20) ORDER, 2021**

The Emergency Management Coordinator was empowered by the Menominee Tribal Legislature pursuant to Chapter 196 Menominee Tribal Code, including recent amendments made by Ordinance 20-07, with certain authority during a declared emergency, including the issuance and enforcement of such orders as may be necessary to implement and carry out emergency management operations to protect the health, safety and resources of the residents of the Menominee Indian Reservation.

In exercise of the powers conferred on me by the Menominee Tribal Legislature on April 23, 2020, by Ordinance 20-07 and pursuant to Menominee Tribal Law §196-6 (A)(3), I HEREBY issue the following Order:

**I. Purpose.**

- (1) The Menominee Indian Tribe of Wisconsin declared a State of Emergency on March 12, 2020 as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic it is hereby incorporated.
- (2) In light of the continued risk of COVID-19, and with the vaccination rates on the Menominee Reservation/Menominee County currently being insufficient to obtain herd immunity, the health, safety, and welfare of the Menominee Indian Tribe of Wisconsin is at great risk for further spread of COVID-19 throughout the community, and consequently, continued restrictions are necessary.
- (3) The intent and purpose of Emergency Management Coordinator (Covid-19) (No.20) Order, 2021 is to prevent further community spread of the COVID-19 pandemic and will allow for the immediate preservation of public health, welfare, peace, safety, and property of the Menominee Indian Tribe of Wisconsin and its community members.

**II. Citation and duration.**

- (1) This Order may be cited as the “Emergency Management Coordinator (Covid-19) (No. 20) Order, 2021.”
- (2) This Order shall begin at 6:00am on the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of September, 2021 and expire on the 2nd day of October, 2021 at 6:00am, unless otherwise renewed by the Emergency Management Coordinator.

**III. Imposition of order.**

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**For the whole of the Menominee Indian Reservation, beginning on the 3rd day of September, 2021 at 6:00am until the 2nd day of October, 2021 at 6:00 am the following order shall be in place:**

- (1) Restaurants, bars, convenience stores, educational facilities and places of worship may remain open at 100% capacity.
- (2) All tribal government departments can remain open at 100% capacity for employees. All employees regardless of their vaccination status will be required to wear masks and practice social distancing where appropriate or telework if approved by their supervisor.
- (3) Tribal government facilities are open to the public by appointment only.
- (4) All individuals entering tribal government facilities must wear a facemask regardless of their vaccination status.
- (5) Farmer's Markets can open at 100% capacity and have food sales.
- (6) The Rec Center will be opened to fully vaccinated individuals only. Individuals must contact Lucas Behm, Occupational Health Wellness and Safety Specialist, at (715) 799-5184 to show proof of vaccination status. Rec Center access cards will then be activated within 48 hours of providing proof of being fully vaccinated. Individuals using the facility must wear masks at all times and maintain social distancing guidelines and disinfect machines and equipment after their use with the sanitizer provided.
- (7) It is highly recommended that individuals avoid gatherings with people outside of those who live in their immediate household. All celebrations, events, activities and other social gatherings, including but not limited to private parties, wedding receptions, wake services, celebrations of life milestones, family reunions, and gatherings before or after planned religious services are strongly discouraged.
- (8) All events hosted or sponsored by MITW are hereby suspended until further notice. This includes, but is not limited to, pow wows, culture camps, graduation ceremonies and other gatherings and/or events that involve a large number of people.
- (9) For all establishments, institutions, businesses, offices, stores, and organizations:
  - a. Facemasks will be required for all individuals (both fully vaccinated and not fully vaccinated) when inside an establishment, institution, business, office, store or organization.

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- b. Individuals (both fully vaccinated and not fully vaccinated) shall physically distance themselves at least six feet (6 ft.) from any other person when inside an establishment, institution, business, office, store or organization;
- c. Temperature screenings for all individuals prior to entering their place of business are not required unless mandated by federal, state or local laws, rules and regulations including local business and workplace guidance;
- d. Individuals who wear masks should feel comfortable doing so without fear of intimidation or ridicule from others.
- e. Establishments, institutions, businesses, offices, stores and organizations may require proof of vaccination.

(10) Definitions.

- a. "Mask" means a piece of cloth or other material that is worn to cover the nose and mouth completely. A "mask" includes but is not limited to a bandana, a cloth face mask, a disposable or paper mask, a neck gaiter, or a religious face covering. A "mask" does not include face shields, mesh masks, masks with holes or openings, or masks with vents.
- b. "Fully vaccinated" means those individuals who are two weeks after their second dose in a 2-dose series, such as Pfizer or Moderna vaccines, or two weeks after a single-dose vaccine, such as Johnson & Johnson's Janssen vaccine.


**IV. ENFORCEMENT**

- (1) Menominee Tribal Police Officers and Conservation Officers are authorized under law to enforce this Order pursuant to §196-8 of the Code of the Menominee Indian Tribe of Wisconsin.

**V. PENALTY**

- (1) A person who violates this Order shall be subject to a civil forfeiture not to exceed \$500.00 pursuant to §196-7 of the Code of the Menominee Indian Tribe of Wisconsin.

Made this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of September, 2021.

  
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BENJAMIN WARRINGTON  
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COORDINATOR

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