

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN

Re: Access to Federal District Court
Courthouses in the Eastern District
of Michigan During the COVID-19
Pandemic

Administrative Order

No. 22-AO-014

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ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER – HEALTH ASSESSMENT

This administrative order supersedes administrative orders 20-AO-038 (Courthouse closing), 20-AO-38 REV (Courthouse operations), 21-AO-009 (screening protocols), 21-AO-022 (temperature screening) and 22-AO-003 (employee COVID policy) and provides updated guidance related to courthouse entry processes.

In the interest of public safety and after consultation with epidemiologists, consideration of local and federal public health guidelines to determine appropriate protocols for conducting proceedings in the courthouse and the recommendation of the Court's Reconstitution Committee, effective immediately and until this order is rescinded, it is hereby ORDERED that:

- 1) All non-employees entering a courthouse must wear a mask that covers the person's nose and mouth. Acceptable masks include: KN95, N95, surgical, or multi-layered cloth masks. Masks with vents and face shields are unacceptable. If a person does not have a mask, they will be provided one.
- 2) All persons must conduct a health self-assessment and will be directed by court security to review the list of questions regarding COVID-19 status and possible exposure. The health self-assessment can be found on the Court's website.
- 3) A person may not enter the Courthouse if he or she:
 - a) has tested positive for COVID-19 within the last 10 days;
 - b) is experiencing any of the symptoms of COVID-19 identified in the health self-assessment, or have experienced within the last 10 days; or
 - c) had close contact/exposure to someone with COVID-19, in particular within the same household within the last 10 days. For these purposes "close contact" is defined as being less than 6 feet away for a cumulative total of 15 minutes or more in a 24-hour period.

- 4) Employees of the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan should refer to the Employee COVID Pandemic Policy for guidance related to pandemic protocols, including the wearing of masks.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

FOR THE COURT:

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Sean F. Cox, Chief Judge