



### **When does the City of Jenks Ordinance 1511 (Safer at Home) take effect?**

This ordinance becomes effective at 11:59 PM on Monday, March 30, 2020. The Order will remain in effect until April 16, 2020, unless it is extended by the City Council.

### **What areas does this order apply to?**

This ordinance applies within the city limits of the City of Jenks.

### **Why is this order in place?**

Scientific evidence shows that it is essential to slow virus transmission as much as possible to protect the most vulnerable and to prevent the health care system from being overwhelmed. One proven way to slow the transmission is to limit interactions among people to the greatest extent practicable. By reducing the spread of the COVID-19, this Order helps preserve critical and limited healthcare capacity in the city.

### **What does this order do?**

This order requires individuals to stay within their residence with the following exceptions:

- **Necessities:** to go to stores to get necessary supplies such as food, beverage, medication, pet food, supplies to maintain their household and property, or to deliver these items to others
- **Medical/Veterinary:** to go to medical appointments and transport other people to medical appointments and pets to veterinary appointments
- **Caring for Others:** to go to another household to care for other individuals or pets
- **Outdoor Activities:** to go outside for outdoor activity such as walks, jogging, etc., but must maintain 6 feet distance from others except the 6-foot rule doesn't apply between those who share the same residence
- **Work:** to go to WORK at an essential government function or essential business but NOT to patronize such businesses unless it fits within the exceptions above
- **Move:** to move your household to another residence in or outside the City of Jenks
- If someone in a household has tested positive for coronavirus, all members of the household should isolate at home

### **What other actions is the City taking through this order?**

In addition to limiting activity to that considered essential, the City of Jenks has taken the following steps:

- All City-owned sport courts, golf courses, sports fields and dog parks are closed and use of any fitness equipment, playground equipment, or shelters within City Parks is prohibited even if not locked, gated, or fenced
- All public or private events or gatherings in the City of Jenks are prohibited
- All special event permits are revoked, and no such special events may be held in the City of Jenks until at least April 16, 2020.

### **What is the Jenks Police Department doing to enforce the ordinance?**

The ordinance is intended to slow the spread of COVID-19 and protect the health of all Jenks citizens so it is believed that our great community will comply with the ordinance voluntarily. If there are violations, and depending on the totality of the circumstances, officers who investigate a violation of the ordinance will have the options to:

- Educate the parties involved about the order, ensure their understanding and ensure compliance
- The officer may issue a citation
- The officer could arrest an individual or individuals for violating the ordinance.

### **What is the penalty for violating the ordinance?**

Any person violating this ordinance, or violating, or violating or causing a business, commercial establishment, or other place of public accommodation to violate this ordinance, Ordinance 1510, or the Mayoral proclamation dated March 20, 2020, shall be subject to the penalties set forth in Jenks Code, Chapter 1, Article 11, which states, in full, as follows:

Any person, firm or corporation, who violates any provisions of this chapter shall be guilty of an offense, and upon conviction, shall be fined in any sum not to exceed \$100.00, plus court costs, and/or up to 30 days in jail. Each day's continuation of any such violation shall be deemed a separate offense.

### **How do I report a violation ?**

Call 918-299-6311 option 0 to report a violation.

### **Should I stock up on necessities such as food and medicines?**

No. You will continue to be able to purchase these items whenever you need them, as stores selling necessary items like grocery stores, pharmacies, and hardware stores will remain open. Please continue to buy normal quantities of these items. This will ensure that there is enough for everyone.

### **Can I still order the things I need online and have them delivered to my residence?**

Yes, essential businesses may continue to operate and make deliveries to residences.

### **How do I know if my business is essential?**

Business owners should self-determine their status by following the guidance of the Governor's [Executive Order 2020-07](#) and [Executive Memorandum 2020-01](#). The Oklahoma State Department of Commerce has placed [additional guidance](#) on its website to assist business owners with self-determination. No certification or documentation from the Department of Commerce is required.

### **Are employees allowed to work at an essential business?**

Yes, Employees are allowed to stay and work at an essential business. The ordinance does not prohibit an employee, contractor, vendor or supplier of a place of public accommodation from entering, exiting, using or occupying that place in their professional capacity.

For clarity, non-essential businesses may continue operations consisting exclusively of employees or contractors performing activities remotely (i.e. working from home).

Please note essential businesses are required to implement social distancing to the extent possible and are encouraged to allow workers to work remotely where possible,

### **What if I want to shop at an essential business?**

There may be some businesses that the Governor's order considers "essential" that can remain open. However, under the Ordinance 1511, citizens will not be permitted to shop at some of these facilities or patronize such businesses because the citizen cannot leave their residence except to obtain necessary items or services.

For example, jewelry and clothing stores are considered “essential” under the Governor’s guidance so may remain open; however, jewelry is not essential to operation of a household, and thus citizens cannot patronize jewelry stores. State law allows local rules and regulations to be more restrictive than those of the Governor and provides that the more restrictive rule applies. 21 O.S. § 1321.5.

**I don’t cook - how can I purchase meals?**

Restaurants, food trucks, and similar establishments may remain open to supply meals to the public via delivery and carryout. You can also purchase prepared foods at grocery stores, supermarkets, convenience stores, and other such food retailers.

**What do I do if I get sick?**

Continue to check the [CDC guidelines](#) to help prevent the spread of COVID-19, as they could change as the situation evolves.

**What should I do if I’m stressed, frustrated or worried about COVID-19?**

Call the COPES COVID-19 emotional support line at 918-744-4800.

**What do I do if I need home repair or lawn care?**

Call your service provider. Governor Stitt’s [Executive Memorandum 2020-01](#) specifically states that work involved with home repair and maintenance (including roofing, lawn care, foundation repair, and similar businesses) is essential business. Essential businesses should comply with physical distance requirements to the greatest extent possible. To obtain supplies for a DIY solution, you can also visit a hardware store or home improvement retailer as long as you maintain a 6 foot space between yourself and anyone who does not live in your household.

**Can churches continue to hold services?**

Faith-based services that are provided through streaming or other technology have been declared essential by Governor Stitt’s [Amended Executive Memorandum 2020-01](#) and may continue to hold services in that format. The City of Jenks will not interfere with religious practices, but individuals should practice physical distancing to protect themselves and others.

**Is dropping off packages at USPS, FedEx, or UPS for work purposes allowed?**

Yes, Governor Stitt’s [Amended Executive Memorandum 2020-01](#) specifically states that postal services and distribution centers are essential business. Essential businesses should comply with physical distance requirements to the greatest extent possible. Residents who require these services for personal use should utilize online services for purchasing postage and scheduling pick-ups to the greatest extent feasible.

**Can I travel?**

You may only leave your residence for one of the reasons specifically outlined above. You may not leave the City of Jenks for vacation. If you are currently traveling, you may return home to your residence. This ordinance applies to travelers who are currently located in the City of Jenks.

**May I use public transportation?**

Yes, but only for the reasons specifically outlined above. Please visit the [MTTA website](#) for COVID-19 public transportation updates.

**Can I use ride share services or taxis?**

Yes, but only for the reasons specifically outlined above. Please check with the service provider directly regarding the terms and conditions of their service. Do not use ride share services or taxis if you or a family member is ill.

**Can I order take-out food inside a restaurant?**

Yes. Businesses who are closed may take your order over the phone, online or in-person. All dine-in services will not be available.

**Can bars still serve food?**

Bars with dine-in options who operate food services may offer a drive-thru, curbside pickup and take out delivery. The bar itself should not be open to the public.

**Do liquor stores need to close?**

No.

**Are catered events allowed?**

No. All events and social gatherings are prohibited.

**Are performing arts venues open?**

No.

**Do gyms need to close?**

Yes. Gyms and fitness centers are required to close.

**Do nail salons, hair salons and tanning salons need to close?**

Yes.

**Can blood drives (ARC, OBI) continue?**

Yes. Due to the large number of cancellations, there is a nationwide shortage of blood supply. Healthy Jenks citizens are encouraged to donate blood.

**I can't pay my bills. Am I going to get evicted?**

Currently, evictions are suspended in Tulsa County. If you receive an eviction or foreclosure notice, do not move out until told to do so by a court or law enforcement official. With all civil hearings suspended, you cannot be forced from your home by an eviction or foreclosure until April 15 at the earliest.

**Can a landlord still file an eviction?**

Yes. A landlord can still file an eviction, but no Tulsa County resident can be forced out of their place of residence until April 15 at the earliest.