Face coverings and physical distancing in the office

Our policies will continue to focus on the health and safety of all on-site personnel in Department of Commerce facilities.

Following the latest CDC guidance, all employees, contractors, and visitors are required to wear a face mask while in Federal facilities in areas with high or substantial community transmission levels.

Individuals who are partially vaccinated or have not yet received a COVID-19 vaccination are required to wear a mask and maintain at least 6’ of distance from others while in Federal facilities.

The Department follows Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) guidance. The following information applies to individuals in Federal buildings in areas of high or substantive community transmission.

Acceptable and unacceptable face masks are defined by the CDC and the Department will adjust policy as necessary based on additional guidance.

For all non-vaccinated or partially vaccinated individuals, face masks must be worn in any common areas or shared workspaces, such as open floor plans/cubicles, conference rooms, restrooms, corridors, and elevators.

Facilities will provide face masks to personnel and visitors, as required and/or available.

You may remove masks when eating, drinking, or when alone in a closed setting, such as a personal or enclosed office, or as required for identification.

Please speak with your supervisor if you require mask adaptations or alternatives.

For the latest Department resources, please visit the COVID-19 Information Hub.