
**BOARD OF HEALTH
IN AND FOR SOUTHEAST UTAH HEALTH DEPARTMENT
(CARBON COUNTY, EMERY COUNTY, GRAND COUNTY), STATE OF UTAH
AND
GRAND COUNTY COUNCIL
IN AND FOR GRAND COUNTY, UTAH**

In the matter of:

COVID-19 Pandemic within Utah

**PUBLIC
HEALTH ORDER**

Order No.: SEUHD 2020-5GC

Date: April 30, 2020

Legal Authority: Utah Code §26A-1-114
Utah Code §53-2A-209

On March 17, the Southeast Utah Health Department issued a Public Health Order in response to the COVID-19 global pandemic, which order was amended on March 31, 2020 and again on April 15th and 23rd.

Since the issuance of the initial Public Health Order, 11 positive cases of coronavirus have been found within the boundaries of the Southeast Utah Health Department. As of April 28, 2020, 4,343 positive cases have been identified, with 45 related deaths, in the State of Utah.

On April 29, 2020, Governor Herbert issued an Executive Order, to be effective May 1, 2020, moving the state COVID-19 public health risk status from red (high risk) to orange (moderate risk). This Executive Order adopts the guidelines for moderate risks for individuals and businesses found in "[Phased Guidelines for the General Public and Businesses to Maximize Public Health and Economic Reactivation](#)." This Executive Order applies to all counties within the state, and supersedes all local public health orders, except where exceptions are granted by the Governor in consultation with the Public Health and Economic Emergency Commission. Therefore, the Local Public Health Order, as amended, previously issued by Bradon Bradford, Local Health Officer of the Southeast Utah Health Department will not be renewed and shall expire as of 12:01 a.m. on May 1, 2020.

The Executive Order of Governor Herbert issued as of April 29, 2020 shall by operation of state law become the standing order for Carbon, Emery and Grand Counties, except as to the local orders set forth below which have been authorized by the Utah Department of Health in consultation with Governor Herbert as exceptions to the Executive Order, and which shall apply solely to Grand County, as no exceptions to the Executive Order have been requested with respect to Carbon and Emery Counties.

The Local Health Officer finds that the pandemic continues to significantly affect the residents of the State of Utah, and that a significant risk of transmission of the virus to local and state residents continues because of the high number of state, national and international visitors likely to resume visiting the many internationally known tourist attractions found in Grand County. The Local Health Officer finds that a need for specially tailored restrictions and prohibitions remains with respect to Grand County.

THEREFORE, pursuant to the authority granted to Bradon C. Bradford, MSPH, MPA, REHS, Southeast Utah Health Department Officer by Utah Code §26A-1-114(2)(a) and to the Grand County Council under Utah Code §53-2A-209, hereby ORDERS the following for GRAND COUNTY, UTAH:

Section 1. **Risk Level.** In conjunction with the recommendation of the Public Health and Emergency Economic Commissions recommendation to the Governor and his subsequent acceptance of that recommendation, and except as provided in Section 2, GRAND COUNTY is deemed to be at “Moderate Risk.” Individuals and Businesses shall follow the guidelines found in the State of Utah’s [“Phased Guidelines for the General Public and Businesses to Maximize Public Health and Economic Reactivation”](#) for Moderate Risk (Orange Level), as amended by Section 5 of the Governor’s Executive Order dated April 29, 2020.

The Local Health Officer, in consultation with the local Board of Health and the County Governing Body, and after communicating with the Public Health and Economic Commission and the Utah Department of Health, may adjust the risk level for Grand County in accordance with health indicators related to the spread of COVID-19 in the County.

Section 2. **Face Coverings.** Each individual acting in the capacity of an employee of a business shall use a face covering. A business may refuse service to customers without a face covering. All other individuals should use face coverings in all public indoor and outdoor places when persons are unable to maintain safe social distancing of six feet or more from others not in their households, including when entering and while inside retail businesses (e.g. grocery, liquor, and hardware stores).

Section 3. **Public Lodging.**

General - all lodging facilities shall:

- Keep a copy of the driver's license, or other sufficient identification of the head of household for each group checking in, for 30 days for the purposes of epidemiological tracking by the health department, if needed. All records requested will be subject to HIPAA standards;
- Increase sanitation of common areas pursuant to recommendations of the health department;
- Require use of face coverings by employees at all times during their shift;
- Recommend use of face coverings by guests at all times in indoor common areas;
- Enforce 6-foot social distancing guidelines in all common areas;
- Keep all convention rooms, meeting rooms and swimming pools/hot tubs closed;
- Food service shall follow the [Phased Guidelines](#) for Restaurants, Food Service Establishments, Bars, etc.
- Fitness centers shall follow the [Phased Guidelines](#) for Gyms & Fitness Centers.
- Maintain a cleaning log available for inspection during regular business hours by the Southeast Utah Health Department.
- Post and maintain signage to remind groups to stand at least 6 feet apart and avoid congregating in common areas;
- Encourage digital check-in and checkout;
- Consider installing a plexiglass partition in areas coming into close contact with guests (e.g. registration, concierge, valet desks);
- Encourage symptomatic guests to stay in their room; and wear a face covering anytime they have to leave the room. If the guest is experiencing mild symptoms they should get tested and return to their home if they can safely do so;
- Consider designating one staff member with proper training and protective equipment to attend to sick guests;
- Discontinue or decrease housekeeping services during guest stays to prevent transmission between rooms;
- Cleaning a guest room entails providing a complete change of towels, linens, bedding, and guest consumable items and completely disinfecting all hard surfaces and high-touch areas with an EPA-registered chemical disinfectant.
- Launder all exposed linens and cleaning supplies separately; and
- Provide guests with their own sanitation solutions or wipes to instill guest confidence (e.g., alcohol wipes for remote controls or shared surfaces).

Hotels, Motels, Bed & Breakfasts, Hostels

- Occupancy permissible based on the table below, with a 24-Hour Rest Period, as defined below, prior to cleaning and between check-ins. When possible, rooms should remain vacant for 48 hours after check-out and prior to cleaning.

Commercial Campgrounds, Recreational Vehicle (RV) Parks

- Permissible occupancy for RV and tent sites is 50% capacity, meaning every other site.
- Permissible occupancy for cabins is 30% capacity, with a 24-Hour Rest Period, as defined below, prior to cleaning and between check-ins of cabins. When possible, rooms should remain vacant for 48 hours after check-out and prior to cleaning.

Short-term rentals (e.g. condos, nightly rentals, “AirBnB,” “VRBO,” etc.)

- Permissible occupancy is 100% capacity, with a 24-Hour Rest Period between occupancy. When possible, rooms should remain vacant for 48 hours after check-out and prior to cleaning.

Non-Commercial Camping

- In Grand County, all campgrounds on public lands shall remain closed. All dispersed camping areas on public lands shall remain closed, except for Essential Workers and Primary Residents of Grand County, Utah, Spanish Valley, Utah, and Green River, Utah.
- An Essential Visitor is any individual renting, lodging, or camping for an amount of time less than 30 days for the purposes of work within Grand County, or for an employer within Grand County, and their spouse and dependents. Primary Residents are any individuals renting lodging for periods of greater than 30 days, or who are permanent residents of Grand County.

24-Hour Rest Period:

1. All lodging facilities that provide a room or other rental (including a cabin, house, or unit) shall restrict access to each room or other rental from any person for a period of 24 hours after check-out of prior guests. Cleaning staff may enter the room or rental after checkout provided they follow recommended guidance for cleaning found at <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/organizations/cleaning-disinfection.html> or similar guidance. The purpose of this 24-Hour Rest Period is to provide some time for the virus to decay. When possible, rooms should remain vacant for 48 hours after check-out and prior to cleaning.

Occupancy Calculation for Hotels, Motels, Bed & Breakfasts and Hostels:

0-20 rooms: full occupancy permitted.

21-50 rooms: 20 rooms plus 50% of rooms 21-50 may be occupied.

51+ rooms: 35 rooms plus 25% of rooms in excess of 51 may be occupied.

Rooms at Establishment	Reservations Allowed	Rooms at Establishment	Reservations Allowed
20	20	140	61
30	25	150	64
40	30	160	66
50	35	170	69
60	41	180	71
70	44	190	74
80	46	200	76
90	49	210	79
100	51	220	81
110	54	230	84
120	56	240	86
130	59	250	89

Section 4. Travel Advisory. SEUHD requests that visitors that are in Grand County on non-essential business return to their home and non-essential visitors planning to come to Grand County reconsider their plans and remain near their home. SEUHD strongly advises all residents of Grand County to reconsider any recreational, leisure, or non-essential work-related travel that will take them outside of the community. Adhering to this advisory can slow the spread of COVID-19 throughout the state and decrease its impact on our local population.

Section 5. Testing. In accordance with new guidelines, SEUHD recommends that all individuals exhibiting at least one symptom of COVID-19 to arrange with their local provider or hospital to get tested. In Grand County, call the Moab Regional Hospital COVID hotline at 435-719-3998.

Section 6. Publication. This Order shall be on file for public inspection with the SEUHD.

Section 7. Duration. This Order shall expire May 29, 2020, at 11:59 p.m with review to take place by May 15, 2020.

Section 8. Appeal. This Order may be appealed in writing to the SEUHD within ten (10) calendar days of its Effective Date.

Section 9. Violations. To the extent necessary, the Grand County Council and its Chief Executive Officer hereby delegate enforcement of this Order to the Grand County Sheriff, the

Chief of Police, and the Southeast Utah Health Department to ensure compliance with and enforce this order pursuant to Utah Code §§26A-1-123, 53-2a-205 and to the extent permissible by law.

An initial violation of this Order is punishable as a Class B Misdemeanor (Utah Code §§26A-1-123(1)(a), 76-8-317). Subsequent violations are punishable as Class A Misdemeanors. Each day of violation constitutes a separate offense (Utah Code §§26A-1-123(1)(a)). Notwithstanding the criminal penalties set forth herein, the purpose of this Order is to protect individuals' health and not to issue criminal citations. Discretion should be used in the citing and prosecution of violations of this Order.

Effective Date: May 1, 2020

BY ORDER OF THE SOUTHEAST UTAH HEALTH DEPARTMENT HEALTH OFFICER AND THE GRAND COUNTY COUNCIL

Bradon C. Bradford, MSPH, MPA, REHS - SEUHD Health Officer

ATTEST:

Mary McGann - Grand County Council Chair

Quinn Hall, Grand County Clerk/Auditor

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