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REVISED Health Order: Modified Campground Operations in Door County

Health Order: A Temporary Closure of All Campgrounds within Door County was issued on April 15, 2020. After further review, I have determined, in my role as local health officer under Sec. 252.03, Wis. Stats., that campgrounds within Door County may open and remain in operation subject to all the following:

- A. Only non-dependent camping sites/units (i.e., sites/units with their own bathrooms, kitchens and showers) may be occupied;
- B. Limit all sites/units to members of a single household or living unit;
- C. All other private gatherings of any number of people at a site/unit are prohibited;
- D. Campers need to maintain social distancing of six (6) feet with anyone outside of their household group;
- E. Prohibit the use of buildings or public spaces that would encourage social gatherings of any number of people...including closure of exercise facilities, hot tubs, picnic areas, public bathrooms and showers, swimming areas, and swimming pools;
- F. Staff shall routinely clean surfaces of commonly touched by campers with an EPA registered product for use against Coronavirus.
- G. Campground owners shall encourage social distancing, hand hygiene, and cleaning in the workplace to protect employees.
- H. Comply with Emergency Order #28 "Safer at Home", including the requirements of Sections 13.b (selling groceries and medicine), 13.d (restaurant operations), and 13.e (bar operation);
- I. Prohibit guests from congregating in lobbies or other common areas and provide adequate space to adhere to social distancing requirements while queuing for front desk, store or other services; and
- J. Comply with all other applicable Wisconsin Department of Health Services guidelines for businesses.

The above are deemed reasonable and necessary to prevent, suppress and control the COVID-19 virus consistent with Sec. 252.03, Wis. Stats. The decision to allow campgrounds to open under these guidelines was made in part, after campground owners came forward with ideas for practices that aim to ensure a safe environment and indicated they were willing to put those practices in place.

This revised Health Order is intended to be, and should be interpreted as being, consistent with Governor Evers' Executive Order (EO) #28. EO #28 permits only essential travel, and states that individuals are strongly encouraged to remain at their primary residence or home. Travel to second homes or residences should be avoided if possible. Wisconsinites are encouraged to stay close to home and strongly discouraged from engaging in unnecessary travel.

This Revised Health Order is effective April 24, 2020 and will remain in full force and effect through May 26, 2020 or as long as Executive Order #28 is in effect, whichever is longer.

If you have questions or immediate needs related to COVID-19, call 2-1-1 or text COVID-19 to 211-211. For up-to-date information, please frequently monitor the Door County Government website <https://www.co.door.wi.gov/> Door County Public Health Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/doorcountypublichealth/> and the [DHS website for updates](#), and to follow @DHSWI on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#), or DHS WI on [Instagram](#). Additional information can be found on the [CDC website](#).

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