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COVID-19 EMERGENCY REGULATION No. 1*
(Personal Safety Measures)

In order to contain the spread of COVID-19, residents and visitors to Kotzebue should:

- **avoid holding or attending large gatherings**
- **avoid contact with others as much as possible**
- **wear face coverings or masks when outside the home or in any public or private buildings**
- **practice social distancing**
- **wash hands frequently**
- **avoid all non-critical/non-essential personal travel to and from Kotzebue**
- **stay home and work from home as much as possible**
- **stay home if you are sick or have been in contact with someone who may have the COVID-19 virus**
- **call the Maniilaq Health Center at (833) 442-7015 and ask for assistance if you suspect you have the COVID-19 virus**



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**COVID-19 EMERGENCY REGULATION No. 2*
(At-Risk Individuals)**

Anyone particularly at risk from COVID-19 should reduce possible exposure by staying home, not physically going to work and not doing their own shopping. This includes any Elders and individuals with serious underlying medical conditions. Members of households of these individuals should strictly follow the guidelines in Emergency Regulation No. 1.

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**COVID-19 EMERGENCY REGULATION No. 3*
(Testing Requirements)**

Individuals leaving Kotzebue and then returning must have proof of a negative COVID-19 test result taken 72-hours prior to arrival, in hand, before boarding their returning flight. Upon arrival in Kotzebue, all passengers must complete the Maniilaq provided Questionnaire and are required to submit to an additional COVID-19 test at the Airport and self-quarantine until the results are received. If the test result is positive, the individual must follow directives from Maniilaq Health Center.

Individuals arriving in Kotzebue without a valid negative COVID-19 test result taken 72-hours prior to arrival, in hand, must take a COVID-19 test at the Airport and self-quarantine until the results are received. If the test result is positive, the individual must follow directives from Maniilaq Health Center. Individuals refusing such testing at the airport must self-quarantine for fourteen (14) days and must have no COVID-19 symptoms at the end of that period.

These testing requirements apply to all non-residents visiting or traveling through Kotzebue, all critical/essential infrastructure workers traveling to or through Kotzebue and all residents of the City of Kotzebue.

All travelers transferring in Kotzebue to flights to the outlying villages must have proof of a negative COVID-19 rapid test result given at the Airport.

TRAVELERS REFUSING MANDATORY TESTING AND SCREENING WHO ENDANGER OTHERS MAY BE CHARGED WITH RECKLESS ENDANGERMENT PURSUANT TO ALASKA STATUTE 11.41.250 AND UPON CONVICTION IMPRISONED FOR UP TO ONE YEAR AND FINED UP TO \$25,000.

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COVID-19 EMERGENCY REGULATION No. 4*

**(Privately-owned Entities – Special Events – Grocery Stores –
Subsistence Activities – Regional Arrivals)**

Privately-owned gaming locations, bingo halls, restaurants, sports and recreation facilities, and churches/religious facilities, may remain open if they have submitted a detailed Plan of Operation and received prior approval from the City Manager. Those entities that have not reopened and organizers of special events must submit a detailed Plan of Operation to the City Manager and obtain the City Manager’s approval prior to opening the entity or prior to holding any special event.

Grocery stores should consider establishing home deliveries for Elders and special hours for “Elders Only” shopping. Grocery store employees should wear face masks and other PPE and customers should be requested to wear face masks while in the stores.

Persons engaging in subsistence activities from outside Kotzebue shall make arrangements to pick up supplies, such as food and fuel, at the Swan Lake Small Boat Harbor and avoid coming into Kotzebue. Persons who are conducting subsistence activities who wish to come in to Kotzebue must have proof of a negative COVID-19 test result taken 72-hours prior to arrival, in hand, before entering the City and proceed to the Maniilaq Health Center for a second COVID-19 test and self-quarantine until the results are received. If the test result is positive, the individual must follow directives from Maniilaq Health Center.

Persons arriving from other regional communities by any means, must have proof of a negative COVID-19 test result taken 72-hours prior to arrival, in hand, before entering the City and proceed to the Maniilaq Health Center for a second COVID-19 and self-quarantine until the results are received. If the test result is positive, the individual must follow directives from Maniilaq Health Center.

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**COVID-19 EMERGENCY REGULATION No. 5*
(City Facilities)**

The City Rec Center and all City playgrounds and softball fields are closed until further notice.

City Hall, Public Works, Fire Department and Police Department shall remain closed to the public until further notice. Citizens needing to do business with the City may contact:

City Hall at 442-3401, Fax at 442-3742 or e-mail the City Manager at: tatkinson@kotzebue.org.

Public Works at 442-5200/5201, Fax at 442-2155 or e-mail the Public Works Director at: djennings@kotzebue.org or the Public Works Administrative Assistant at: lhunnicut@kotzebue.org.

Fire Department at 442-3404, Fax at 442-2104 or e-mail the Fire Chief at: kmarcus@kotzebue.org.

Police Department at 442-3539, 442-3351 [non-emergency dispatch], Fax at 442-3357 or e-mail the Police Chief at tmilliette@kotzebue.org.

The Package Store, Arctic Spirits, shall remain open at this time. Orders shall be placed and received through windows in the front of the building.

IN CASE OF EMERGENCY -- DIAL 911.



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COVID-19 EMERGENCY REGULATION No. 6*
(City of Kotzebue Policies for Employees)

City of Kotzebue Employees shall follow all COVID-19 Emergency Regulations as a condition of their employment. In addition, the City Manager may establish additional policies for employees as required.

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**COVID-19 EMERGENCY REGULATION No. 7*
(General Provisions)**

The Iñupiat Iitqusi define the Iñupiat people. These values include among others: respect for Elders, family roles, respect for others, love for children, cooperation, avoiding conflict and responsibility to the community. These values can serve as guideposts for how the residents of Kotzebue live their lives during this COVID-19 emergency.

Residents of Kotzebue and visitors to Kotzebue who disregard these COVID-19 Emergency Regulations are putting themselves and our Community at risk. To report non-compliance, send an e-mail to: investigations@alaska.gov. The State of Alaska DHSS will treat the Sender's identity as confidential information and protect it to the maximum extent State and Federal Law permit.

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