

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COLE COUNTY, MISSOURI
19TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 2022-07**

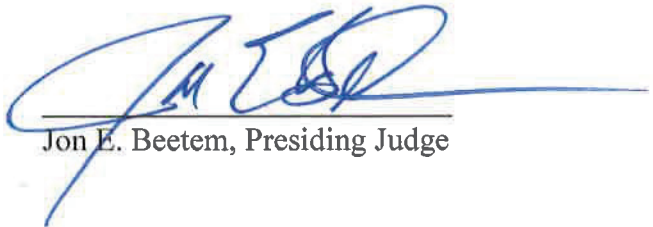
COVID-19 RESPONSE GUIDELINES

1. Masks are now optional in the Courthouse with the following exception; Masking is still required by those who are required to mask under the current CDC guidelines (attached) involving quarantine and isolation. (Referred to as “wearing a mask around others”). Individuals who are required to mask who enter the courthouse (both visitors and staff) must wear at least a surgical mask and preferably a KN95 or N95 mask at all times. Individuals who are required to mask should avoid eating with others while required to wear a mask around others.
2. The following persons (both visitors and staff) may not enter the Courthouse:
 - a. Those who have been directed to quarantine or isolate by a health authority or by the CDC guidelines in accordance with the attached guidelines
 - b. Those who are experiencing symptoms of COVID-19 or flu, including but not limited to having a fever, even if moderated by acetaminophen or other fever reducing drugs.
3. Courts will accommodate those excluded individuals by offering continuances, video appearances or scheduling appearances during low traffic times of the courthouse as arranged with the judge of the division requiring the appearance.
4. Court Marshals are authorized to request persons who appear to be symptomatic to put on a mask or leave the Courthouse.
5. Jury trials will be conducted with voir dire limited to 47 persons and not more than 4

persons per bench in the large courtroom. During trial, the jury is to be spread out over the jury box and the northern half of the courtroom. Visitors, including but not limited to law enforcement, shall sit only in the southern half of the courtroom and shall not sit behind jurors.

6. This order supersedes all prior orders.

SO ORDERED this 22nd day of February, 2022.



Jon E. Beetem, Presiding Judge

If You Test Positive for COVID-19 (Isolate)

Everyone, regardless of vaccination status.

- Stay home for 5 days.
- If you have no symptoms or your symptoms are resolving after 5 days, you can leave your house.
- Continue to wear a mask around others for 5 additional days.

If you have a fever, continue to stay home until your fever resolves.

If You Were Exposed to Someone with COVID-19 (Quarantine)

If you:

Have been boosted

OR

Completed the primary series of Pfizer or Moderna vaccine within the last 6 months

OR

Completed the primary series of J&J vaccine within the last 2 months

- Wear a mask around others for 10 days.
- Test on day 5, if possible.

If you develop symptoms get a test and stay home.

If you:

Completed the primary series of Pfizer or Moderna vaccine over 6 months ago and are not boosted

OR

Completed the primary series of J&J over 2 months ago and are not boosted

OR

Are unvaccinated

- Stay home for 5 days. After that continue to wear a mask around others for 5 additional days.
- If you can't quarantine you must wear a mask for 10 days.
- Test on day 5 if possible.

If you develop symptoms get a test and stay home