

SUBJECT:	Face Covering Requirement in Response to COVID-19
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TO:	San Francisco Taxi Drivers, Medallion Holders and Color Scheme Managers

Pursuant to the <u>directive</u> issued by Mayor London N. Breed and Director of Health Dr. Grant Colfax, everyone must wear a mask or face covering while in public. Face coverings should cover the nose and mouth and fit securely. They can be a manufactured or homemade mask, a bandanna, scarf, towel, neck gaiter or similar item. Cloth face coverings should be cleaned frequently with soap and water.

**Taxi drivers are required to wear a face covering while transporting a passenger**. The requirement is a Health Order by Dr. Tomás Aragón, Health Officer of the City and County of San Francisco. The Order is effective at 11:59 p.m. on April 17, 2020, and will start to be enforced on 8:00 a.m. on April 22, 2020. It is informed by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention guidelines. Previously, the City recommended face coverings on April 2nd, and this order makes it a requirement.

If you need a face covering, please contact your Color Scheme. Color Schemes should forward requests to SFMTA. Face masks will be provided by the SFMTA subject to availability.

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