Construction site safety requirements and guidelines are developed and administered by Cal/OSHA. OSHA’s “Guidance on Preparing Workplaces for COVID-19” and the CDC’s “Guidance for Businesses and Employers to Plan and Respond to COVID-19” provide important safety guidance information to identify risk levels and reduce the risk of exposure. The following recommended best practices are based on what is currently known about the COVID-19 virus. We strongly recommend that you stay current, and immediately implement the evolving best practices to protect the safety and health of your employees, clients, and the general public.

For all Essential Businesses, the Los Angeles County Health Officer orders businesses to take the following precautions:

1. Practice social distancing by requiring workers [hereinafter “worker” is inclusive of any employee, visitor, contractor, subcontractor, employer, owner, agent, or public] who enters the worksite to be separated by six (6) feet, to the extent feasible.
2. Workers may not be required to wear face coverings if they are fully vaccinated.
3. Employer is required to maintain documentation for all workers who are vaccinated and those who are not vaccinated. Workers who do not wear face coverings must provide proof of vaccination, or self-attest that they are in compliance prior to entry to the workplace.
4. Masks are required for unvaccinated workers. Special considerations should be made for workers having certain disabilities or medical conditions who are unable to wear a face covering.
5. Provide access to hand washing facilities with soap and water or hand sanitizer that contains at least 60 percent alcohol.
6. Post a sign in a conspicuous place at the workplace entry instructing workers not to enter if they are experiencing symptoms of respiratory illness, including fever or cough.
7. Adhere to communicable disease control recommendations provided by the County of Los Angeles Department of Public Health.

Examples of risk mitigation strategies include:
- Educate workers to effectively maintain social distancing while working
- Identify and monitor high risk closed-in areas to ensure social distancing is maintained.
- Stagger workers to reduce density.
- Provide personal protective equipment (PPE) as appropriate.
- Clean and disinfect equipment before and after use.
- Post in visible areas, required hygienic practices.
- Require anyone on the project to stay home if they are ill.
- Have workers inform Supervisor if they live with anyone having COVID-19.
- Maintain a log of workers including their vaccination status.

All workers are subject to Cal/OSHA must comply with the active Cal/OSHA COVID-19 Prevention Emergency Temporary Standards (ETS). Link to the County of Los Angeles Department Of Public Health Order Of The Health Officer, “A Safer Return Together At Work And In The Community, Issue Date: Thursday, December 16, 2021 Effective as of 12:01am on Friday, December 17, 2021 [lacounty.gov]

Construction sites that create unsafe conditions may be denied inspections and asked to shut down until compliance is achieved.