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The Franklin Board of Health Penalties Issued Pursuant to COVID-19

Whereas, the Federal Centers for the Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) have advised that COVID-19 is spread mainly by person-to-person contact and that the best means of slowing the spread of the virus is through practicing social distancing and wearing face coverings. In the Governor's Order 47 all persons are required to wear masks or cloth face coverings at all times when inside grocery stores, pharmacies, and other retail store unless a person is unable to wear a mask or face covering due to a medical condition.

Whereas, the Franklin Health Department has seen an increase in complaints from customers of retail and commercial businesses that staff are not wearing face coverings or are not wearing them correctly. In order to support the health department in the enforcement of these complaints the Franklin Board of Health will issue fines for retail and commercial businesses not requiring face coverings.

The fining structure follows;

First Violation	Written warning
Second Violation	\$100 fine
Third Violation	\$200.00 fine
Fourth Violation	\$300.00 fine

Subsequent violations of noncompliance will consist of an Order to go before the Board of Health.

Per the Governor's order 47, this order is enforced the Health Director under M.G.L. c. 40 section 21D. This Order is effective September 17, 2020 and shall remain in effect until rescinded or until the state of emergency is ended, whichever occurs first.

Respectfully,

The Franklin Board of Health