

# **EVERYTHING YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT FACEMASKS**

## WHY DO I NEED TO WEAR A MASK?

- "My mask protects you, your mask protects me!"
- Wearing a facemask prevents you from spreading the virus or contaminating surfaces if you are in fact an asymptomatic carrier of COVID-19.

#### WHEN DO I NEED TO WEAR A MASK?

- While interacting with others (including colleagues and clients)
- When you are out in public where others are present
- When entering an essential business

#### WHAT KIND OF MASK DO I NEED?

- A cloth or fabric mask
  - Homemade cloth mask
- Bandana

- Ski mask
- Windshield face mask
  - PPE Equipment should be reserved for our health care professionals

#### **HOW DO I WEAR A FACE MASK?**

## Cloth face covering should...

- Fit snugly but comfortably against the side of your face
- Be secured with ties or ear loops
- Include multiple layers of fabric
- Allow for normal breathing without restriction
- Be able to be laundered and machine dried without damage or change to shape
  - Masks should be routinely washed

## When removing the mask...

- Try not to touch your eyes, nose, or mouth when removing your mask
- Wash hands immediately after removing
- Keep in a specific bag until you can wash the mask

### **HOW DO I MAKE A MASK?**

- https://www.nytimes.com/article/how-to-make-face-mask-coronavirus.html
- https://www.health.pa.gov/topics/disease/PublishingImages/Mask%20Instructions.png
- https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/downloads/DIY-cloth-face-covering-instructions.pdf

Sources:

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