

Commissioner  
5/21/2020 Beach Add-on

EMERGENCY ORDER EO 20- 8

WHEREAS, on March 9, 2020, Governor Ron DeSantis issued Executive Order 20-52 declaring a state of emergency for the State of Florida; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 252.38, Florida Statutes, and Section 37-35, Escambia County Code, the Chairman of the Board of County Commissioners declared a state of local emergency for Escambia County effective as of 2:00 p.m. on March 16, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners extended the state of local emergency for Escambia County by Resolutions R2020-25, R2020-26, R2020-35, R2020-36, R2020-37, R2020-38, R2020-39, R2020-52, R2020-55 and R2020-63 until 1:59 p.m. on June 1, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the measures implemented herein are narrowly tailored to protect the residents of Escambia County and minimize the spread of COVID-19 in the community; and

WHEREAS, on April 28, 2020, the Board of County Commissioners met in a special meeting to determine the issue of beach closures and adopted Emergency Order 20-06; and

WHEREAS, on May 21, 2020, the Board of County Commissioners met in a regular meeting to discuss Emergency Order 20-06.

NOW THEREFORE, pursuant to Chapter 252, Florida Statutes, and Chapter 37, Escambia County Code, the Board of County Commissioners hereby amends Emergency Order 20-06 regarding Escambia County beaches, as set forth below:

1. The foregoing recitals are true and are incorporated herein.
2. The only restriction of Emergency Order 20-06 that shall remain in place is paragraph 4, the Centers of Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) social distancing guidelines. The CDC social distancing guidelines shall be followed by visitors to Escambia County beaches. Groups of people shall be limited to ten (10) people or fewer, with a minimum of six (6) feet of distancing between groups and between individuals not with the same immediate group.
3. This Order shall not apply to parks, beaches, and recreational facilities under the jurisdiction of the State of Florida, or the federal government.
4. The prohibitions set forth in paragraphs 3, 5 and 6 of Emergency Order 20-06 are hereby sunset.
5. In accordance with Chapter 252, Florida Statutes, and Chapter 37, Article II, Sec. 37-42, Escambia County Code, any person violating any provision of this Order shall be prosecuted in the same manner as misdemeanors are prosecuted and, upon conviction, shall be punished by a fine not to exceed \$500.00 or by imprisonment in the county jail not to exceed 60 days or by both such fine and imprisonment.
6. This Order shall be effective as of 12:00 p.m. (CDT) on May 21, 2020, until further action by the

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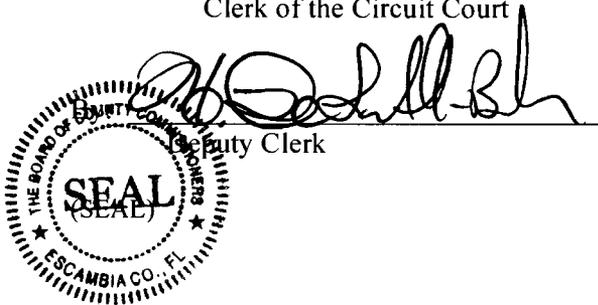
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Board of County Commissioners.

Adopted this 21<sup>st</sup> day of May, 2020.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
OF ESCAMBIA COUNTY, FLORIDA

ATTEST: PAM CHILDERS  
Clerk of the Circuit Court



By: Janice P. Gilley  
Janice P. Gilley, County Administrator

Date Executed

5/21/2020

Approved as to form and legal  
sufficiency.

By/Title: [Signature]  
Date: 5/21/2020