

Questions on Executive Order 20-02

Q: Who does the order apply to?

A: "All persons" means all persons that are physically present within the exterior boundaries of the Mescalero Reservation.

Q: What if 5 or more family members live in one house?

A: The prohibition against "mass gatherings" (5 or more persons in close proximity) does not apply to family members all living in one house. It is strongly recommended that family members self-isolate as much as possible.

Q: Can I still get groceries from the Tribal Store?

A: Yes. However, there will be certain items limited for you to purchase. Ask the Tribal Store for assistance-they are there to help you.

Q: I need to do other errands at the next town over, i.e. Ruidoso, Tularosa, and/or Alamogordo. Can I still run my errands?

A: Yes, you can. Just make sure you are back in your regular home by 10 pm on that day. You may continue completing your errands, if you are capable, starting at 6 am the next day. Also, remember that you leave the Reservation, you are under the jurisdiction of the State of New Mexico and must comply with State restrictions.

Q: After I return from running errands, will I have to self-quarantine for 14 days?

A: 14 days of self-quarantine is required IF you returned from traveling out-of-state or came into contact with any person from out-of-state or who tested positive for COVID-19.

Q: What if there is an emergency with my family between the hours of 10pm and 6am?

A: Dial 911 immediately. The curfew disregards emergencies.

Q. What if I am an essential worker and my shift starts before 6am or ends after 10pm?

A: The curfew does not apply to essential employees performing work duties or traveling to/or from work. Also, the curfew does not apply to traditional activities.

Q: What if a Tribal member lives somewhere else and wants to visit the Reservation?

A. 14 days of self-quarantine is strongly recommended for Tribal member visitors. All other visitors are not allowed.