

# BAL HARBOUR

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UPDATE #26 COVID-19

April 3, 2020 (5:00 PM)

The Village Emergency Operations Team is working hard to ensure the health and well-being of the community. As we head into the weekend, we will continue to monitor the latest information on COVID-19 (Coronavirus), and unless there are any significant developments, our next update will be Monday, April 6, 2020.

## Information from the Florida Department of Health (DOH) and Center for Disease Control (CDC)

If you think you have been exposed to COVID-19 and develop a fever and symptoms, such as cough or difficulty breathing, the Florida Department of Health (DOH) recommends the following in order to be tested:

- Call the DOH Epidemiology Department at (305) 470-5660 for guidance, or
- Contact your primary care physician, explain your symptoms and whether or not you have been in contact with someone who has tested positive for COVID-19 over the past 14 days, or
- Contact an urgent care facility or hospital emergency room, explain your symptoms and whether or not you have been in contact with someone who has tested positive for COVID-19 over the past 14 days.

If you are sick or have been diagnosed positive, or are caring for someone who is sick, please follow these steps to help prevent the spread of Covid-19.

- **Stay home.** Do not leave your home, except to get medical care. Do not visit public areas.
- **Stay in touch with your doctor.** Call before you get medical care. Be sure to get care if you have trouble breathing, or have any other [emergency warning signs](#), or if you think it is an [emergency](#).
- **Avoid public transportation.** Avoid using public transportation, ride-sharing, or taxis.
- **Stay away from others.** As much as possible, you stay away from others. You should stay in a specific "sick room" if possible, and away from other people in your home. Use a separate bathroom, if available.
- **Wear a facemask if you are sick.** You should wear a facemask, if available, when you are around other people (including before you enter a healthcare provider's office).
- **Follow health care instructions.** Follow instructions from your healthcare provider and local health department. Your local health authorities may give instructions on checking your symptoms and reporting information.

While you are not required to tell your building manager or landlord about a COVID-19 diagnosis in your household, doing so can help protect building staff and other persons that you may have been in contact with, by alerting them to possible exposure and preventing further spread of the virus. More information on what to do if you think you have been exposed, if you are sick, or if you have tested positive for COVID-19 can be located on the CDC's website at <https://bit.ly/2UEFkB5>. You may also reach the Florida Department of Health COVID-19 hotline at (305) 324-2400 or 1-866-779-6121.

### Social Distancing In Bal Harbour

The Bal Harbour Beach Walking Path and Collins Avenue sidewalks are incredible community assets, even more so with the April sunny weather. It is important to keep in mind under our "[Safer At Home](#)" order, that while we are enjoying these assets, that we practice appropriate social distancing. First and foremost **stay at home** as much as possible. When you are enjoying the outside, keep at least a 6 feet distance from others in all public areas, avoid public (and private) gatherings with people outside your household, all while remaining courteous and friendly to your neighbors from a safe distance.

### Recent County Emergency Order

On March 31, 2020, Miami-Dade County Mayor Carlos Gimenez issued [Executive Order 15-20](#) closing, for all purposes, all commercial and non-commercial pools, hot tubs, golf courses, tennis courts, basketball courts, fitness centers, gymnasiums, and other common use amenities, in Miami-Dade County, excepting those facilities on single-family, townhouse, duplex or villa residential lots. The full Executive Order can be viewed on the County's website at <https://bit.ly/2Uxuf55>.

### Emergency Order Update #7

On March 30, 2020, the Village Manager issued **Update #7** to the emergency restrictions issued on March 16, 2020, requiring **all persons arriving in Bal Harbour Village** by any means from CDC identified and international locations, to **isolate or quarantine for 14-days**. This order goes into effect today at 5:00 p.m. A copy of the Emergency Order Update is available on our website at: <https://bit.ly/3dJt7ml>.

### United States Census 2020

The [2020 Census Questionnaire](#) should only take most people 10 minutes to complete, and your response helps direct billions of dollars in funds to local communities for roads and other important public services.

Most households should have already received their invitation to respond to the 2020 Census between March 12 - 20. These official Census Bureau mailings will include detailed information and a Census ID for [completing the Census online](#).

In addition to an invitation to respond, some households will receive a paper questionnaire. You do not need to wait for your paper questionnaire to respond to the Census. We encourage you to please complete your census form online, by phone, or by mail when your invitation to respond arrives. To learn more about Census 2020 please visit [www.2020census.gov](http://www.2020census.gov).

### Update from the Internal Revenue Service (IRS)

The IRS has issued an update regarding checks from the Coronavirus Stimulus Package. Most people won't need to do anything to have their check directly deposited into their bank accounts. To find out more, and to see if you meet the criteria to receive a check, please visit the IRS website at <https://bit.ly/2WW4Flj>.

### Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

We have also compiled a list of frequently asked questions from residents of Bal Harbour Village, for your convenience, regarding the Coronavirus. A copy of the "FAQs" can be downloaded at <https://bit.ly/3aPSGOA>. The FAQs will be updated every Monday.

### South Florida Joint-Construction Industry Commitment

The South Florida construction industry has issued a joint pledge to institute practices aimed at reducing the spread of the Novel Coronavirus on South Florida's Construction Sites, including guidelines for workers regarding personal responsibilities, social distancing, handwashing, hoists and elevators, lunch trucks and communications. A copy of the pledge is can be downloaded from our website at <https://bit.ly/2X6ajrl>.

### Meals for Seniors

If you are a citizen over the age of 60 and have any problems getting meals, please call the Miami-Dade County's Call Center by dialing 3-1-1, and they will assist you in registering for meal delivery service.

### Scam Alert

Attorney General Ashley Moody issued a Consumer Alert about new scams related to the COVID-19 pandemic. The scams include text messages with links to claim funding from the federal stimulus package and imposters posing as health workers offering free COVID-19 tests. The bottom line is Floridians need to be on the lookout for scams and never give out personal or financial information to solicitors. Visit the Attorney General's page for Consumer Alerts <http://myfloridalegal.com/ConsumerAlert>

### Status of Village Services

Following is the status of Village services:

- The Bal Harbour Building Department is only open for plan drop off and/or permit pick up. Building inspection services are suspended; however, **the Building Department is accepting Inspections by Affidavit**. For information on the Inspection by Affidavit process <https://bit.ly/2xqTn42>
- Bal Harbour Shuttle service is discontinued until further notice;
- Bal Harbour Park, Recreation Center and basketball courts are closed until further notice;
- All recreation programming is cancelled until further notice; and
- The Bal Harbour Jetty is closed for fishing until further notice.

## Local Testing Information

**Marlins Park**  
501 Marlins Way, Miami, FL 33125  
Miami-Dade County COVID-19 Drive-Through

Miami-Dade County COVID-19 drive-through testing center is open at Marlins Park for residents **18 or older** from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. **by appointment only**. Daily testing is available at this site for 300 people. To make a testing appointment, please call 305.499.8767, where individuals will be pre-screened for symptoms. Staff on-site can only test those with appointments. All others will be turned away.

**Hard Rock Stadium**  
347 Don Shula Drive Miami Gardens, Florida 33056  
Miami-Dade County COVID-19 Drive-Through

Miami-Dade County COVID-19 drive-through testing is available from 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. on a daily basis; however, those seeking a test must meet certain criteria:

- Must be 65 or older and be symptomatic to be tested (Must bring ID)
- If you do not meet the criteria, you will be asked to exit the lot.
- The test site is drive-through only.
- Test results will take 48-72 hours.

## New Testing Sites

**Medrite Urgent Care**  
4621 Collins Avenue, Miami Beach  
(Municipal Parking Lot adjacent to the Eden Roc Hotel)

**Drive-through testing takes place daily from 10:00 a.m. until 6:00 p.m.** to members of the general public of any age who have been pre-approved by a doctor, and have symptoms of COVID-19, or have been in contact with someone who has tested positive. Privately owned Medrite Urgent Care will provide 250-300 test per day. Anyone interested can call 305-735-3909 for an appointment or for more information about testing.

**Amelia Earhart Park**  
401 E 65th St, Hialeah, FL 33013  
Miami-Dade County COVID-19 Drive-Through

Miami-Dade County COVID-19 drive-through testing is available for those who are 65 or older and are experiencing symptoms. Appointments are required and patients need to be in their cars, with a maximum of two people per car. The call center will open each day at 9 a.m. and close when slots for the next day are filled. The number to call for appointments at this site is 305-268-4319 – that's 305-COVID19.

## Recent State & County Emergency Orders

### State Orders

- April 1, 2020: Florida Governor Ron Desantis issued Executive Order 20-91 regarding a "Safer at Home" provision, which is similar to Miami-Dade County's Emergency Order #10-20. The Village is reviewing the Governor's order to determine any additional impacts to the Village.
- March 30, 2020: Governor DeSantis issued Executive Order 20-89 directing Miami-Dade, Broward, Palm Beach and Monroe Counties to restrict public access to businesses and facilities deemed non-essential pursuant to [Miami-Dade Emergency Order 07-20](#). For the complete executive order, please visit the Governor's website at <https://bit.ly/39uRUXN>.
- March 23, 2020: **Governor DeSantis issued Executive Order 20-80** directing all individuals arriving in the State of Florida from an area with substantial community spread, including the New York Tri-State Area (Connecticut, New Jersey and New York), to isolate or quarantine for a period of 14 days from the time of entry into the state or the duration of the person's presence in the state, whichever is shorter. For the complete executive order, please visit the Governor's website <https://bit.ly/3dvBIZU>

### County Orders

- March 24, 2020: **County Mayor Gimenez issued Miami-Dade Order #10-20, urging individuals to remain home other than to engage in essential activities which include, travel to or from essential retail and commercial businesses.** This order is similar to the order issued yesterday by Bal Harbour Village. For the complete County order, please visit the County's website <https://bit.ly/39fkmx0>