

COVID-19 BASIC INFECTION PREVENTION MEASURES

The Texas Association of Builders is determined to keep its members up to date on relevant information regarding the coronavirus pandemic and its continued effect on the construction industry. In addition to its work ensuring that residential construction be listed as an essential service statewide, TAB hosted a virtual Town Hall Meeting to review vital documents and provide important updates. On its dedicated webpage at TexasBuilders.org, TAB continues to provide valuable documents on maintaining safe job sites, on applying for the CARES Act and small business loans, summarizing Gov. Abbott's historic order deeming residential construction an essential service, and providing sample construction worker travel letters, among other things. Please rest assured that TAB will continue to work hard in helping protect its nearly 10,000 members and 27 local associations throughout these trying times.

The following infection prevention measures may help prevent COVID-19 transmission on construction job sites as the respiratory illness can spread from person to person. Your local governmental entity may have specific construction guidelines and practices in place; please check with your county and city to make sure you are following any such guidelines.



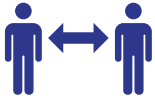
Stay home if you are sick. **DO NOT WORK.**



Wash hands frequently or provide alcohol-based hand rubs containing at least 60% alcohol.



Cover coughs and sneezes.



Practice social distancing — try to maintain 6 feet between each worker.



Reduce the size of any group at any one time to ten (10) people or less or **LIMIT** all in-person meetings.



Minimize ride-sharing. While in vehicle, employees must ensure adequate ventilation.



Avoid sharing tools with co-workers, if possible.



Clean and disinfect frequently used tools, equipment, and frequently touched surfaces (door handles, handrails, machinery controls, cell phones, tablets) on a regular basis.



If N95 respirator masks are not available, minimize dust and airborne contaminants by using engineering and work practice controls.



Use proper personal protective equipment (PPE) when cleaning and disinfecting, such as gloves and eye protection.