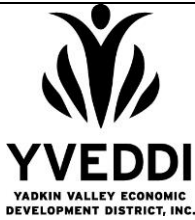




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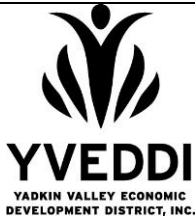
<b>Policy</b>	<b>Face Covering Requirement</b>
<b>Purpose</b>	<p><b>SECURITY DIRECTIVE- MASK REQUIREMENT POLICY TO REDUCE THE SPREAD OF THE COVID-19 VIRUS</b></p> <p>Due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic and to reduce the spread of the virus, the President issued an Executive Order, Promoting COVID-19 Safety in Domestic and International Travel on January 21, 2021, requiring masks to be worn in airports, on commercial aircraft, and in various modes of surface transportation.</p>
<b>References</b>	<p>TSA Security Directive 1582/84-21-01 Mask Requirement</p> <p>49-U.S.C. 114- The Transportation Security Administration shall be an administration of the Department of Homeland Security and shall be responsible for security in all modes of transportation.</p>
<b>Scope</b>	<p>Policy applies to all passengers and staff on public transportation vehicles. Also, visitors and staff at bus stops and bus terminals.</p> <p>Policy expires on May 11, 2021 unless renewed</p>
<b>Definitions</b>	<p><b>Conveyance-</b> has the same definition as under 42 CFR 70.1, meaning “an aircraft, train, road vehicle, vessel...or other means of transportation, including military.”</p> <p><b>Mask-</b> means a material covering the nose and mouth of the wearer, excluding face shields.</p> <p><b>Transportation Hub/Facility-</b> means any airport, bus terminal, marina, seaport or other port, subway stations, terminal (including any fixed facility at which passengers are picked-up or discharged), train station, U.S. port of entry, or any other location that provides transportation subject to the jurisdiction of the United States.</p>
<b>Procedure</b>	<p>In accordance with the above Security Directive</p> <p><b>A. YVEDDI PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION will notify passengers with prominent and adequate notice of the mask requirements. At a minimum, YVEDDI will inform passengers booking transportation, and at the time the conveyance departs, boarding passengers, of the following:</b></p>



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	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Federal law requires wearing a mask while on the conveyance and failure to comply may result in denial of boarding or removal.</li> <li>2. Refusing to wear a mask is a violation of federal law; passengers may be subject to penalties under federal law.</li> </ol> <p><b>B. YVEDDI PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION will require that individuals wear a mask, except as described in Sections D., E., or F., as follows:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Any persons in a public transportation, passenger railroad, or bus conveyance covered by this SD.</li> <li>2. Any person in public areas of transportation vehicles controlled by the YVEDDI for the duration of travel, boarding, and disembarking.</li> </ol> <p><b>C. YVEDDI Public Transportation will ensure that direct employees wear face coverings at all times except as described in Sections D., E., or F.</b></p> <p><b>D. The requirement to wear a mask does not apply under the following circumstances:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. When necessary to temporarily remove the mask for identity verification purposes.</li> <li>2. While eating, drinking or taking oral medications for brief periods. Prolonged periods of mask removal are not permitted for eating or drinking; the mask must be worn between bites and sips.</li> <li>3. While communicating with a person who is deaf or hard of hearing, when the ability to see the mouth is essential for communication.</li> <li>4. If unconscious (for reasons other than sleeping), incapacitated, unable to be awakened, or otherwise unable to remove the mask without assistance.</li> </ol> <p><b>E. The following conveyances are exempted from wearing masks:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Persons in private conveyances operated solely for personal, non-commercial use.</li> </ol>
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	<p>2. A driver, if alone, when operating an YVEDDI PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION vehicle.</p> <p><b>F. Policy exempts the following categories of persons from wearing masks:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Children under the age of 2.</li> <li>2. People with disabilities who cannot wear a mask. Or cannot safely wear a mask, because of the disability as defined by the Americans with Disabilities Act (42 U. S. C. 12101 et seq.).</li> <li>3. People for whom wearing a mask would create a risk to workplace health, safety, or job duty as determined by the relevant workplace safety guidelines or federal regulations.</li> </ol> <p><b>G. If individuals refuse to wear a mask, YVEDDI Public Transportation reserves the right under this security directive to:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Deny boarding;</li> <li>2. Make best efforts to disembark the individual as soon as practicable to their home or destination; or</li> <li>3. Make best efforts to remove the individual from the transportation hub/facility.</li> <li>4. Drivers will coordinate with their supervisor any denial or disembarking of a passenger. Passengers are not to be left stranded.</li> <li>5. Supervisors will report significant issues to the department director and the director will report the issue to the sponsoring agency. Passengers that refuse to comply with the mask mandate may have transportation services suspended.</li> </ol> <p><b>H. If an individual's refusal to comply with the mask requirement constitutes a significant security concern, the owner/operator must report the incident to the Transportation Security Operations Center (TSOC) at 1-866-615-5150 or 1-703-563-3240 in accordance with 49 CFR 1570.203.</b></p>