

## PHYSICAL DISTANCING ON THE JOB SITE

Guidance on mitigating and preventing the spread of COVID-19 and other viruses in the workplace continue to evolve. Implementing physical distancing in communal work areas remains one of the best ways to protect all employees with a mix of vaccination status. The following tips can help reduce the risk of exposure to COVID-19:

## Scheduling

- Schedule multiple shifts to lower the total number of employees on the site at any given time
- Eliminate layered activities of multiple trades in an enclosed area, if possible
- Stagger breaks and lunches, if practicable, limiting the size of any group at any one time
- Provide additional entry and exit gates to the site to alleviate congestion points
- Divide crews into teams, allowing projects to continue in the event that one of the teams is required to quarantine
- Conduct safety meetings via teleconference or in a space that allows a six-foot distance between employees
- Reduce the number of individuals at meetings, including worker orientations, to increase the distance between individuals

## **Common Areas**

- Avoid unnecessary physical contact and direct team members to increase personal space to at least six feet where possible
- Evaluate enclosed work areas (i.e. mechanical rooms, electrical rooms) for maximum occupancy levels
- Allow only essential personnel to enter work trailers, social distancing is crucial inside
- Ensure restroom exhaust fans are functional and operating at full capacity
- Increase ventilation rates when possible
- Maintain social distancing when visiting lunch trucks or construction site vendors

## Equipment

- Establish a maximum number of occupants allowed in elevators or other personnel hoists
- Minimize ride-sharing while in vehicles, if unavailable, encourage open windows
- Reduce, if practicable, sharing or use of equipment
- Enforce the wearing of facial coverings for tasks or operations where social distancing is infeasible

To stay up to date on the latest COVID- 19 information, frequently check the <u>OSHA</u> and <u>CDC</u> COVID-19 websites for updates. Check the Alliant <u>COVID-19 Resources page</u> for checklists, the latest webinars and COVID-19 briefings and updates.

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Social distancing in construction site comes with a unique set of challenges.



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