

Statewide Construction Industry Commitment: Pledge to Reduce the Spread of the Coronavirus (COVID-19) on Construction Sites

Whereas, the Construction Industry continues to be acknowledged as an essential business throughout the State of Florida, supporting infrastructure, government, medical and residential needs; and

Whereas, the Construction Industry is a unique industry in that workspaces are closed to the public, often with easily accessible fresh air and or outdoor jobsites; and

Whereas, the Construction Industry already works to ensure the highest level of health and safety standards on their jobsites; and

Whereas, the Construction Industry cares for the health and safety of their workers and for the families and loved ones they go home to; and

Whereas, the Construction Industry is heavily regulated by Federal, State and Local Governments as to what can and cannot take place on a jobsite, we the undersigned Florida Construction Associations, hereby commit to working with our members, throughout the State of Florida, to implement the following additional practices at a minimum, in an effort to eliminate the spread of the Coronavirus:

Personal Responsibilities

- Workers with CDC designated symptoms such as fever, cough, shortness of breath, etc. are to stay home and not report to work. Workers exhibiting these symptoms are to be sent home immediately

Social Distancing

- All workers are to maintain 6' of separation
- No gatherings of more than 10 people when required to meet even when conducted outside.
- For stand-down meetings, disseminate information electronically and have each trade conduct the training on their own in groups not to exceed 10
- Common water coolers are to be discouraged
- Prop doors open when safe to do so
- Do not stack trades in the same space

Handwashing

- Wash stations with soap are to be installed/maintained at building entrances and food truck areas as well other strategic areas near offices, trailers, and jobsite egress areas with hot water when possible
- Encourage and direct employees to wash hands at breaks and as frequently as possible.
- Gloves are required for all trash removal

Hoists and Elevators

- Take steps to limit employees on buck-hoists and on elevators to maintain maximum distance
- Hoist/Elevator operators are to be provided and wear gloves
- Hoists/Elevators are to be sanitized daily

Lunch Trucks

- Encourage employees to bring their own lunch and consider eliminating truck where possible
- Ensure all lunch trucks are utilizing servers for bulk food trays, no self-serve from food trays
- Food items are to be individually wrapped when possible
- Physical distancing protocol shall be mandated during lunch and breaks

Communication

- Signage barring employees with COVID-19 symptoms from entering the worksite, sharing CDC recommendations that encourage staying home when sick, cough and sneeze etiquette, and hand hygiene are to be placed at the entrance to of the workplace and in other prominent areas.

*NOTE – This language was agreed to by the undersigned parties and cannot be altered, amended, or changed in any fashion.

SIGNATORIES

