



STATE OF TEXAS

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COUNTY OF JASPER

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**THIRD AMENDED EMERGENCY ORDER**

**WHEREAS**, Jasper County Judge Mark Allen issued an Extension of Second Amended Emergency Order on April 9<sup>th</sup>, 2020, which has incorporated similar emergency orders issued by Governor Abbott in response to slowing the spread of the COVID-19 Coronavirus Pandemic throughout Jasper County, Texas pursuant to Texas Government Code, Chapter 418; and

**WHEREAS**, the Extension of Second Amended Emergency Order issued by County Judge Mark Allen as the Jasper County Director of Emergency Management closely aligns with the Executive Orders issued by Governor Greg Abbott.

**THEREFORE**, in an effort to continue Jasper County’s alignment with the directions and action plans established by Texas Governor Greg Abbott and the State of Texas, the April 9<sup>th</sup>, 2020, Extension of Second Amended Emergency Order of Jasper County Judge Mark Allen is hereby superseded by this Third Amended Emergency Order as follows:

**PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITY VESTED BY THE TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 418.108, JASPER COUNTY JUDGE MARK ALLEN HEREBY ORDERS:**

Effective as of 12:00 p.m. on Monday, April 27<sup>th</sup>, 2020, and continuing in full force and effect until all Executive Orders issued by Texas Governor Greg Abbott in response to the COVID-19 Pandemic are terminated or expired:

1. All current and future Executive Orders issued by Governor Greg Abbott shall be considered to be the statutory guidance for the conduct of the citizens of Jasper County, Texas under Texas Government Code, Chapter 418. They shall remain in full force and effect unless, and until, the Governor shall amend or terminate same; and
2. All citizens of Jasper County who test positive for the COVID-19 Coronavirus shall strictly follow all Orders and Directives of the Local Health Authority and/or their designee with regards to self-isolation. A violation of this section of this Emergency Order shall be punishable by a fine that does not exceed One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00); and
3. The Jasper County Courthouse and all Jasper County Sub-Courthouses will remain open with flexible staffing. However, access to the Courthouse and Sub-Courthouses by the public will be significantly limited to prevent the spread of COVID-19 infection. Most services can be accessed by the public electronically or by mail. Therefore, it is advisable that you telephone the department head or elected official whose department you wish to visit prior to arrival. Persons who are granted entry must agree to undergo a simple health screening protocol upon entering and, if the health screening indicates that they may pose a health threat, they may be denied entry. All Jasper County employees must report for work as required by their supervisors.

This Third Amended Emergency Order supersedes any previous Order/Addendum issued by Jasper County Judge Mark Allen and shall remain in full force and effect as specified unless it is either rescinded, superseded, or amended pursuant to applicable law.

ORDERED, this 27<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2020

Mark W. Allen, County Judge  
Jasper County, Texas

DEBBIE NEWMAN, COUNTY CLERK  
JASPER COUNTY, TEXAS

FILED APR 27 2020

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