

## Department of Public Health Health Officer Directive

## RESCISSION OF DIRECTIVE OF THE HEALTH OFFICER No. 2020-06

## RESCISSION OF DIRECTIVE OF THE HEALTH OFFICER OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO REGARDING REQUIRED BEST PRACTICES FOR SHIPPING OR DELIVERY ESSENTIAL BUSINESSES

## (PUBLIC HEALTH DIRECTIVE) DATE OF RESCISSION: May 20, 2021

Effective immediately, Health Officer Directive No. 2020-06, issued May 8, 2020, and updated May 15, 2020, is rescinded in full. On May 4, 2021, the State of California advanced the City and County of San Francisco (the "City") to the yellow tier in its Blueprint for a Safer Economy, subject to local health orders. The yellow tier is the least restrictive tier in the Blueprint for a Safer Economy. On May 6, 2021, the City's Health Officer issued an order allowing the City to reopen and expand generally in alignment with the yellow tier, with some additional local restrictions. The City continues to meet the criteria for the vellow tier under the State's Blueprint framework, and case rates and hospitalizations have remained generally stable as vaccinations proceed. And the State has announced its intent to rescind its Blueprint for a Safer Economy by June 15, 2021. Although vaccination rates have begun to plateau in the City, San Francisco's vaccination rate compares favorably globally with countries with the highest vaccination rates. In light of these changes, along with updated directives regarding retail businesses in general, the Health Officer has decided it now makes sense to remove the specific rules related to shipping and delivery essential businesses. Such businesses will remain subject to industry best practices and other Health Officer orders and directives, including as they are updated in the future. This includes, by way of example, Health Officer Order No. C19-07x (and Appendix A, the Social Distancing Protocol, which lists requirements for all businesses) and Health Officer Directive No. 2020-17d (regarding retail businesses in general). Such businesses are also reminded to follow industry best practices related to infection control and COVID-19.

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