

CIRCUIT COURT OF FAUQUIER COUNTY TRANSITION TO REGULAR COURT PROCEDURES

As Court hearings resume, it is expected those individuals in attendance will be subject to the guidelines set out below:

Persons will be prohibited from entering (or remaining in) the courthouse if they have, within the previous 14 days:

1. Traveled internationally.
2. Been diagnosed with or tested positive for COVID-19, or who has tested presumptively positive for COVID-19 and has not been medically cleared as being COVID-19 negative.
3. Had contact with anyone who has tested positive or is presumptive positive for COVID-19.
4. If you have had direct contact with anyone suspected or confirmed with being infected with COVID-19.
5. Been directed to quarantine, isolate, or self-monitor.
6. Travelled domestically (within the United States) where COVID-19 has sustained widespread community transmission.
7. Experienced a fever, cough, or shortness of breath.

Persons also will be prohibited from entering (or remaining in) the courtroom if the person:

8. Is not a party to litigation or a subpoenaed/essential witness; notwithstanding these provisions, the court remains an open environment for members of the press and "court-watch" groups.
9. Has a temperature of 100.4 degrees or higher.
10. Refuses to be screened prior to entering the courthouse. All persons entering the courthouse will be subject to enhanced security screening, including having his/her temperature taken and being interviewed regarding items 1 through 8 above.
11. Refuses to social distance within the courtroom or lobby area.
12. Refuses to wear a face mask/covering in the courthouse. Face masks/coverings must always be worn in all public areas of the courthouse.

If a person is prohibited from entering the courthouse, that person will be able to conduct business with the courts online/by phone/video appearance. Continuances will be granted by each Court for any person prohibited from entering the courthouse.

**INDIVIDUALS MAY REQUEST A CONTINUANCE/PHONE/VIDEO
APPEARANCE FOR YOUR CASE BY CONTACTING THE COURT AT**

CIRCUIT COURT-CIVIL: CVDRcircuit@fauquiercounty.gov

CIRCUIT COURT-CRIMINAL: CRcircuit@fauquiercounty.gov