Proclamation to Stay at Home, Limit Movement, Close Roads, and Restrict the Operation of Places of Employment

March 23, 2020

To further combat the spread of COVID-19, the Town of Beaufort directs people, with the force of law, to stay home to the extent possible and to close all but essential businesses, government services, and businesses in which work is performed outside. To read the full Proclamation, visit https://www.beaufortnc.org/covid19

YOU CAN

- Go to work if you are providing essential services as defined by the Proclamation, or going to work outside of Town limits
- Go to the grocery, convenience or hardware store
- Go to the pharmacy to pick up medications and other healthcare necessities
- Go to medical appointments (check with your doctor or provider first)
- Go to a restaurant for take-out, delivery or drive-thru
- Care for or support a friend or family member
- Take a walk, ride your bike, hike, jog and be in nature for exercise — just keep at least six feet between you and others
- Walk your pets and take them to the veterinarian if necessary
- Help someone to get necessary supplies
- Receive deliveries from any business which delivers

YOU SHOULD NOT

- Visit friends and family if there is no urgent need
- Maintain less than six feet of distance from others when you go out
- Visit loved ones in the hospital, nursing home, skilled nursing facility or other residential care facility, except for limited exceptions provided by the facility

What is the difference between “Stay at Home” and “social distancing?”

Stay at home is a stricter form of social distancing. It means:
- Stay home (stay unexposed and do not expose others)
- Only go out for essential services
- Stay six feet or more away from others
- Don’t gather in groups