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Special Order

ISSUER: Llewellyn

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Station Visitors

New Guidelines to Protect Personnel and Public

Given the current and expected progression of the SARS-CoV-2 outbreak in Everett and Snohomish County, we now need to take the extraordinary measure of limiting visitor access EFD fire stations. This limitation prevents both the inadvertent contamination of a fire station and also limits the potential for transmission of infectious material to a visitor. As a result of this outbreak, visitors are no longer allowed to enter EFD fire stations and, unfortunately, this limitation to entry extends to family and friends of EFD personnel.

Because of the potential for airborne droplet spread, EFD members should ask visitors to move at least six feet away from the door prior to it being opened. Visitors must maintain this six-foot distance from the door any time it is open.

The EFD will continue to provide BP checks for members of the public at fire stations. These checks will occur outside the station and will maintain the same minimum distance from the station door as described above. Prior to exiting the station, EFD members providing blood pressure checks should ask whether the visitor has a fever, cough, or respiratory distress. If the answer to ANY of these questions is positive, members should don goggles, N95 respirators, and gloves prior to exiting the station. If the answer to ALL of these questions is negative, members should don gloves and standard eye protection prior to exiting the station. All equipment used to provide blood pressure checks should be deconned after the service is provided in order to prevent potential contamination of the next visitor.

Exception: City of Everett or other governmental employees (with identification) on official business will be allowed in EFD facilities.