

WHEN TO USE A MASK



Masks are to be used by persons infected with the COVID-19 virus, healthcare professionals, and the general public.

MASKS MAY NOT KEEP THE WEARER SAFE

Masks can reduce the transmission of COVID-19 by the wearer (with or without symptoms) to others



Surgical masks are best, but should be reserved for healthcare workers. The general public is encouraged to wear **cloth masks** that are reusable after washing.

GENERAL PUBLIC SHOULD WEAR A MASK WHEN

Taking trips outside of the home to conduct essential activities, such as grocery shopping.



IF YOU WEAR A MASK



Wash your hands before you put on your mask and after you take it off. It is important to know how to properly use, care, and dispose of masks.

Staying home, social distancing (staying 6 feet away from people) and **handwashing** are most effective. Wearing a mask **DOES NOT** replace the importance of these strategies.

