

**Township of East Brunswick**  
**Executive Order 2021-01**

WHEREAS, the Omicron variant of COVID-19 has a very high rate of transmission through populations; and

WHEREAS, cases of confirmed Omicron related COVID-19 infection are rising nationwide and in particular through New Jersey and Middlesex County; and

WHEREAS, the Township seeks to take action to mitigate and combat the spread of COVID-19 and its variants; and

WHEREAS, the Township wishes to accomplish said mitigation without negatively impacting businesses and residents in their daily lives; and

WHEREAS, there are known effective ways of combating the spread of COVID-19 and its variants;

WHEREAS, this Executive Order is being put in place to mitigate the burden being placed on the healthcare system as the rise in COVID cases hinders the ability to attend to the many emergent Non-COVID patients in need of services at our areas healthcare institutions.

WHEREAS area hospitals have needed to place ambulatory services on “divert” sending patients to other hospitals in the past month. The rapid rate of transmission associated with the Omicron variant will make diversion more frequent.

WHEREAS, this Executive Order is being put in place with many of our neighboring communities in an effort to mitigate the expected burden on the local healthcare system and our first responders.

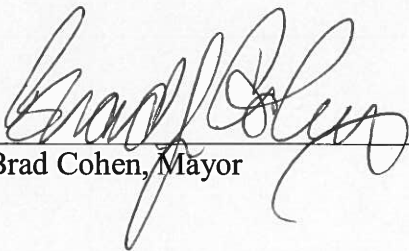
NOW, THEREFORE, Brad J Cohen, Mayor of the Township of East Brunswick in the County of Middlesex in the State of New Jersey, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and Statutes of this State, do hereby establish the following requirements:

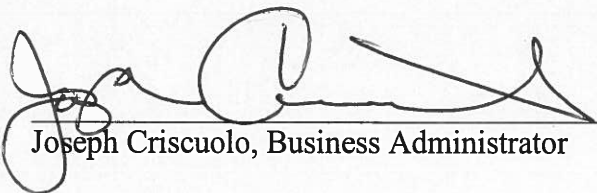
1. Effective Friday, December 31, 2021 at 6:00 a.m. the wearing of masks shall be required in all areas of indoor public accommodation including, but not limited to, government facilities, restaurants, bars, gymnasiums, dance studios, recreation facilities, retail stores, cafes, supermarkets, convenience stores places of worship, commercial establishments, salons, barbershops, banks, healthcare facilities, and hotels.

2. Residents, visitors, employees and patrons of the above public facilities must wear a facemask at all times except:
  - a) when actively eating or drinking; or
  - b) when socially distanced at least six feet apart from all others for an extended period of time, such as in an office setting when seated at desks; when performing for an audience; or when conducting worship services.
3. Children under the age of three (3) shall be exempt from the above requirements.
4. Any and all of the above terms and provisions shall be subject to modification, alteration or rescission without notice and at the sole discretion of the Township of East Brunswick and its agents.
5. This Executive Order shall take effect on Friday, December 31, 2021 at 6:00 a.m. and be in effect until January 31, 2022 at 11:59 p.m.

Given, under my hand and seal this 30th day of December, Two Thousand and Twenty-One.

Attest:

  
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Brad Cohen, Mayor

  
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Joseph Criscuolo, Business Administrator

Date: 12/30/21