

MONMOUTH COUNTY REGIONAL HEALTH COMMISSION NO. 1 CHAPTER 8

Quarantine and Isolation Rules

8-1 **Quarantine and Isolation Code**

Editor's note: Prior ordinances codified herein include versions of Ordinance No. 9, original version published November 2014.

8-1.1 **Definitions**

- a. *Isolation*. The term "isolation" shall mean the physical separation and confinement of an individuals or groups of individuals who are infected or reasonably believed to be infected, based on signs, symptoms or laboratory analysis, with a contagious or possibly contagious disease from non-isolated individuals, to prevent or limit the transmission of the disease to non-isolated individuals.
- b. *Quarantine*. The term "quarantine" shall mean the physical separation and confinement of an individual or group of individuals, who are or may have been exposed to a communicable or possibly communicable disease and who do not show signs or symptoms of a communicable disease, from exposed individuals, to prevent or limit the transmission of the disease to unexposed individuals.

8-1.2 Adoption by Reference

A code establishing quarantine and isolation rules is hereby adopted pursuant to Revised Statutes 26:3-69.1 to 69.6 and Revised Statutes 26:3-92 and 26:3-93. A copy of the said Code is annexed hereto and made a part hereof without the inclusion of the text thereof herein set forth.

8-1.3 **Title of Code**

The said Code hereby established and adopted by this Ordinance is commonly known as the "Communicable Diseases 8:57-1, Appendix B Quarantine and Isolation- Model rules for Local Boards of Health (2009/2014)".

8-1.4 Public Record

Three copies of the said "Communicable Diseases 8:57-1, Appendix B Quarantine and Isolation-Model rules for Local Boards of Health (2009/2014)" have been placed on file in the office of the Health Officer and Secretary of this Regional Health Commission upon the introduction of this Ordinance and will remain on file there until final action is taken on this Ordinance for the use and examination of the public.

8-2 **Enforcing Officials**

The said Regional Commission, and its agents, or employees, including but not limited to, its Health Officer and appropriate law enforcement agencies, shall have the right of entry, at any reasonable hour, into and upon any public, or private building or premises for the purpose of enforcing the provisions of said Code and this Ordinance, or determining whether such provisions or the rules and regulations of this Regional Commission are being complied with and obeyed. No person shall oppose such entry, or hinder, or interfere with this Regional Commission or any of its agents, or employees, or Health Officer, all as aforesaid, in the performance of their duties.

8-3 **Enforcing Health Department**

This Ordinance may be enforced by and in the name of this Regional Health Commission by proceedings instituted and prosecuted in a court having jurisdiction of such proceedings in the Region.

8-4 General Penalties; Continuing Violations

8-4.1 Penalties and Violations

Any person who violates any provision of this Ordinance or Code established and adopted herein, shall, upon conviction thereof, be liable to a penalty of not less than One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) nor more than One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) for each violation, and each day a particular violation continues shall constitute a separate offense. Upon refusal or neglect, upon and after conviction, to pay the amount of said penalty or fine, the person so convicted shall be subject to be committed to the County Jail for a period not exceeding ninety (90) days, all in the discretion of the Municipal Magistrate or other officer before whom the complaint shall be brought.

8-4.2 Violation of State Law

In the event that any violation of this Code shall also be a violation of a New Jersey State Law, for which a greater penalty is provided than that contained in the afore said Code and this Ordinance, the Municipal Magistrate, before whom the complaint is brought, based upon such violation, shall in his discretion, have the right to impose, in the place and in lieu of any penalty provided for herein, that which is so provided for in the New Jersey State Law which has been so violated.

8-5 Unlawfulness

Every act in said Code and this Ordinance designated as being unlawful is hereby prohibited and every act herein expressly prohibited, is hereby designated as being unlawful.

8-6 **Repealer**

All Ordinances, Codes or parts of same inconsistent with any of the provisions of this Ordinance and the Code hereby established and adopted hereunder are hereby repealed to extent of such inconsistency.

8-7 **Severability**

In the event that any section, sentence or clause of this Ordinance or Code shall be declared unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such declaration shall not in any manner prejudice the enforcement of the remaining provisions.

8-8 **Effective Date**

This Ordinance and the Code herein established and adopted shall take effect thirty (30) days after the date of the second publication thereof, after final passage as provided by law.

Ordinance History	Date Adopted
14-09	November 25, 2014
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