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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH EMERGENCY RULES FOR TRAVEL TO KALAWAO COUNTY

The Department of Health finds that an imminent peril to public health and safety requires the adoption of a rule upon less than thirty days' notice of hearing for the following reasons.

The COVID-19 pandemic continues to be active worldwide and especially in the United States. Governor David Ige, in his Nineteenth Proclamation Related to the COVID-19 Emergency, dated April 9, 2021, continued quarantine restrictions for travel between counties.

Pursuant to chapter 326, Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS), the Department of Health shall establish and maintain facilities and services for the care and treatment of persons with Hansen's disease and persons who were institutionalized for segregation by order of the Department of Health because of Hansen's disease. Moreover, the Department of Health shall provide adequate health care and other services to the patient residents of Kalaupapa for the remainder of their lives and shall permit any patient resident of Kalaupapa who desires to remain there to do so as long as that patient may choose.

The patient residents of Kalaupapa average 87 years in age and have serious underlying medical conditions that put them at extremely high risk of death from Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) or of very severe disability if they survive after acquisition of COVID-19. Although long-term care facilities throughout the State have had the most stringent protective measures to prevent acquisition of COVID-19, cases within these settings continue to be of great concern because of the heightened vulnerability of the residents. The majority of these cases were brought into these settings by workers who were infected in the community. Control of community spread within the County of Kalawao is essential to prevent illness and death from COVID-19 infection among vulnerable individuals, such as the elderly patient residents, who are active within the Kalaupapa Settlement.

Per section 326-34(a), HRS, the county of Kalawao shall consist of that portion of the island of Molokai known as Kalaupapa, Kalawao, and Waikolu, and commonly known as the Kalaupapa settlement and shall not be part of the county of Maui.

Section 326-34 (b), HRS, provides: "The county of Kalawao shall be under the jurisdiction and control of the Department of Health and be governed by the laws, and rules relating to the department and the care and treatment of persons affected by Hansen's disease, except as otherwise provided by law." Chapter 326, HRS, established facilities and services in Kalaupapa for the care and treatment of persons with Hansen's disease, which is the primary purpose for the Kalaupapa Settlement.

Pursuant to section 91-3(b), HRS, the emergency rules are to be effective for a period not longer than 120 days from the date the Governor approves them to protect the health and safety of the patient residents of Kalaupapa and Kalawao County.

### **I. Who May Travel to Kalawao County**

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- A. The Department WILL NOT approve any requests for public travel into Kalawao County.** This includes, but is not limited to any requests the Department may receive from:
1. Kalaupapa National Historical Park tours and
  2. Friends or family members of individuals who work or reside in Kalawao County.
- B. Only confirmed residents, employees, approved contractors, and approved volunteers may request to travel into Kalawao County.** These individuals shall comply with the following steps:
1. All individuals arriving in the County shall complete a travel request form that includes individual contact information, arrival date(s) and details about their trip purpose - including the location in which, if required, the individual plans to self-quarantine while in Kalawao County (see section II. Self-Quarantine Requirements in Kalawao County, below).
  2. All travel request forms shall be received by the Kalaupapa Administration Office at least three (3) business days before the date on which the individual plans to arrive in Kalawao County. *Failure to submit the form in a timely manner may result in denial of the arrival request.*
- C. County of Kalawao Arrival Request Forms** (attached here as Exhibit "A") will be reviewed by the Department of Health's Kalaupapa Administrator. If approved, the traveler will receive a signed document that outlines the approved conditions of their arrival and stay in the County.

## **II. Self-Quarantine Requirements in Kalawao County**

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- A. All individuals arriving in Kalawao County are subject to a mandatory ten (10)-day self-quarantine period or a mandatory fourteen (14)-day self-quarantine period if section II.H., (below) applies, that is intended to prevent the spread of COVID-19 within Kalawao County.
- B. The period of self-quarantine shall begin from the date of the individual's entry or arrival into Kalawao County and shall last ten (10) days or fourteen (14) days (as specified in section II.H., below) or the duration of the individual's presence in Kalawao County, if the individual's presence in Kalawao County is shorter than the specified quarantine period.
- C. Individuals subject to the ten (10) or fourteen (14)-day self-quarantine requirement shall:
  - 1. Remain in their assigned residence throughout the ten (10) or fourteen (14)-day quarantine period.
  - 2. Monitor their health daily for any symptoms of COVID-19:
    - a) fever (100.4°F or higher),
    - b) cough,
    - c) shortness of breath or difficulty breathing,
    - d) new loss of taste or smell,
    - e) sore throat,
    - f) congestion or runny nose,
    - g) nausea or vomiting, or
    - h) diarrhea
  - 3. Follow any additional directions from the Department of Health and Kalaupapa Administration.
  - 4. Not put themselves in contact with any individual not subject to quarantine other than a physician, health care provider, or individual authorized to enter a quarantined premises by the Department of Health.
- D. Requests for quarantine modifications may be granted to individual employees who are designated by their work supervisors as necessary to perform essential services in Kalaupapa. See section IV. below for detailed description of who is eligible for, and how to apply for quarantine modifications.
- E. Under these emergency rules, a quarantine exemption may be applicable for individuals who are fully vaccinated against COVID-19.
  - 1. For the purposes of these emergency rules, an individual is considered fully vaccinated for COVID-19 if:
    - a) Two (2) weeks or more have passed after the individual received the second dose in a two (2)-dose COVID-19 vaccination series (Pfizer-BioNTech or Moderna), or

- b) Two (2) weeks or more have passed after the individual received a single-dose COVID-19 vaccine (Johnson and Johnson [J&J]/Janssen).
- 2. Fully vaccinated individuals shall provide acceptable documentation of their full COVID-19 vaccination at the time they submit their Kalawao County Arrival Request Form.
  - a) For the purposes of these emergency rules, acceptable documentation means a copy of their COVID-19 Vaccination Record. The Department may verify vaccination records with a State vaccine registry. Submission of false documents shall constitute a legal offense that may result in immediate removal from the County, fines, or imprisonment, or more than one or all of these.

**F. ARRIVALS FROM WITHIN THE STATE OF HAWAII**

- 1. Individuals who arrive in Kalawao County from locations within the State of Hawaii ARE EXEMPT from the ten (10) or fourteen (14)-day quarantine requirement if:
  - a) The individual is fully vaccinated; and
  - b) The individual HAS NOT traveled outside the State of Hawaii within the ten (10) days immediately prior to their arrival date in Kalawao County.
- 2. An individual who has traveled outside the State of Hawaii within ten (10) days of their arrival in Kalawao County is subject to the rules described under section II.G., Arrivals From Outside the State of Hawaii (below).

**G. ARRIVALS FROM OUTSIDE THE STATE OF HAWAII**

- 1. Individuals who arrive in Kalawao County from a foreign or domestic USA location outside the State of Hawaii within the ten (10) days immediately prior to their arrival date in Kalawao County ARE EXEMPT from the ten (10) or fourteen (14)-day quarantine requirement if:
  - a) The individual is fully vaccinated; and
  - b) The individual provides acceptable documentation of a negative COVID-19 test result for a COVID-19 test conducted within 72 hours of their arrival in Kalawao County.
    - 1) COVID-19 test results must be provided from a trusted travel partner of the Hawaii "Safe Travels" program.
    - 2) If the COVID-19 test result is not available before the individual's arrival in Kalaupapa, the individual will be required to self-quarantine until a confirmed negative result is provided.
- 2. Any fully vaccinated individual who receives a positive COVID-19 test result AFTER their arrival in the County shall isolate themselves for ten (10) days after receipt of the positive COVID-19 test result and shall participate in appropriate contact tracing procedures as directed by the Department of Health.



- H. Any individual who is not fully vaccinated and has been in prolonged close contact with someone who has COVID-19 within fourteen (14) days of arrival shall self-quarantine for fourteen (14) days and is not eligible for a quarantine modification or exemption.
  - 1. For purposes of these rules, "prolonged close contact" means being within six (6) feet for a cumulative total of fifteen (15) minutes or more over a twenty-four (24)-hour period.
- I. All individuals in Kalawao County shall comply with all guidelines described under section III., General COVID Prevention Requirements in Kalawao County (below).

### **III. General COVID-19 Prevention Requirements in Kalawao County**

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- A. The requirements listed below shall remain in effect for all individuals in Kalawao County for one hundred twenty (120) days without extension from their approval by the Governor unless the requirements are removed or rescinded in writing by the Department of Health.
- B. Any individual who has **contact with someone known to have a COVID-19 infection** shall notify their supervisor and the Kalaupapa Administrator immediately.
- C. Any individual who has prolonged close contact with someone known to have a COVID-19 infection and who is not fully vaccinated shall self-quarantine for fourteen (14) days rather than ten (10) days, starting from the day of last contact with the infected individual.
- D. All individuals within the County of Kalawao shall **wear face masks that cover their nose and mouth while in all public settings** in Kalaupapa Settlement.
- E. All individuals within the County of Kalawao shall **maintain at least six (6) feet of physical distance between themselves and other individuals while in all public settings** in Kalaupapa Settlement.
- F. All individuals within the County of Kalawao shall monitor their health daily for any symptoms of COVID-19:
  - 1) fever (100.4°F or higher),
  - 2) cough,
  - 3) shortness of breath or difficulty breathing,
  - 4) new loss of taste or smell,
  - 5) sore throat,
  - 6) congestion or runny nose,
  - 7) nausea or vomiting, or
  - 8) diarrhea
- G. If an individual believes they are experiencing a medical emergency of any kind during their quarantine period, they shall immediately call 911, or National Park Dispatch at (808) 985-6170.

H. If an individual begins to experience any of the symptoms of COVID-19 (listed in III. F. above) during their quarantine period, the individual shall immediately notify at least one of the following and shall begin care and contact tracing procedures as directed by the Department:

- 1) Ken Seamon, Kalaupapa Settlement Administrator:  
Phone: (808) 567-6924 or (808) 567-6928  
e-mail: kenneth.seamon@doh.hawaii.gov
- 2) National Park Dispatch  
Phone: (808) 985-6170

I. **Social gatherings of groups of up to five (5) individuals are permitted.** Social gatherings of greater than five (5) individuals require approval of the Kalaupapa Administrator.

J. **Locations with Additional Access Restrictions:**

1. **Kalaupapa Care Home:** ONLY patients, designated DOH staff, and others that may be authorized by the Kalaupapa Administrator are allowed to enter the Kalaupapa Care Home. All staff present in the Care Home shall comply with any specific directives established by the Kalaupapa Care Home.
2. **Kalaupapa Store/Gas Station:** All individuals shall comply with any specific instructions established by the Kalaupapa Store and Gas Station.
3. **Kalaupapa Airport:** All individuals shall comply with any specific directives established by the Hawaii Department of Transportation regarding access to the Kalaupapa Airport.
4. **Kalaupapa Post Office:** All individuals shall comply with any directives established by U.S. Postal Service regarding access to the Kalaupapa Post Office.

**IV. Quarantine Modification Requests (Non-vaccinated Individuals & Contractors)**

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A. The Kalaupapa Settlement Administrator will review requests for modifications of the quarantine requirements ONLY for individuals who are designated as necessary to perform essential services in Kalawao County. For purposes of these emergency rules, "essential services" are those services that are vital to the health and welfare of the Kalawao County community, including health care, law enforcement, food, waste and wastewater, transportation, communications and information technology, food services, environmental services, utilities, and others as deemed necessary by DOH. **DOH approvals of all quarantine modification requests shall be obtained from the Kalaupapa Administrator prior to the individual's arrival date in Kalawao County.**

- B. For purposes of these emergency rules, work supervisors shall designate individuals who are considered necessary to perform essential services in Kalawao County.
- C. ONLY work supervisors may request quarantine modifications by signing the individual's Kalawao County Arrival Request Form.
- D. In order to request a quarantine modification, work supervisors shall complete the following actions on the employee's Kalawao County Arrival Request Form:
  - 1. Officially designate the individual as necessary to perform essential services;
  - 2. Request a quarantine modification for the work supervisor's employee. **Individual employees SHALL NOT request these modifications on their own;**
  - 3. Provide a detailed description of the modified work conditions the work supervisor proposes for the employee. Work supervisors shall describe the measures the work supervisor proposes the employee will take to prevent the spread of COVID-19 within Kalawao County; and,
  - 4. Agree to be responsible for the individual's compliance with approved measures to prevent the spread of COVID-19 and all County and Department rules during the individual's stay within Kalawao County.
- E. If a quarantine modification is granted, the individual:
  - 1. will be permitted to break quarantine ONLY to perform their essential services; and
  - 2. is subject to all self-quarantine and general COVID-19 prevention requirements during their non-work and non-essential services work hours in Kalawao County. See sections II. and III., Self-Quarantine Requirements in Kalawao County and General COVID-19 Prevention Requirements in Kalawao County (respectively, above).

**V. Relationship Between These Rules and Other Authorities**

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The self-quarantine required by these emergency rules, or any quarantine exemption or modification therefrom, does not affect or in any way impede or supersede the authority of the CDC, or Department of Health pursuant to sections 321-1 and 325-8, Hawaii Revised Statutes, to require individuals to quarantine if they test positive for COVID-19 or if they are a close contact of an individual confirmed positive for COVID-19, regardless of whether a negative test result was subsequently obtained.

**RECOMMEND**

APPROVAL       DISAPPROVAL

*Elizabeth A. Char*  
Elizabeth A. Char, M.D.  
Director of Health

APR 15 2021  
Date

APPROVED       DISAPPROVED

*David Y. Ige*  
David Y. Ige  
Governor of Hawaii

Apr 16, 2021  
Date

Attachments: Exhibit A - Kalawao County Arrival Request Form  
Exhibit B - FAQs  
Exhibit C - Flowchart – New Kalawao County Travel Guidelines (4/12/2021)

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## Kalawao County - Arrival Request Form

Please check the appropriate box below:

**EMPLOYEES, CONTRACTORS, VOLUNTEERS**

I am an Employee, Contractor or Volunteer of the State of Hawaii (e.g., DOH, DOT, etc.)

**OTHERS (If selected, please describe below)**

I AM NOT an Employee/Contractor/ Volunteer – but required for essential work (describe below)

I am an Employee, Contactor or Volunteer of the National Park Service



### PLEASE PROVIDE YOUR PERSONAL INFORMATION

<i>First name</i>		<i>M.I.</i>	<i>Last name</i>
<i>Home Address</i>			
<i>City</i>		<i>State</i>	<i>Zip Code</i>
<i>Phone</i>		<i>Country of Citizenship</i>	
<i>Gender</i>			
<i>Date of Birth</i>			

All travelers in Hawaii are required to use a government issued ID during their travels. Please provide the following information about the government issued ID you will be using for this trip:

Type of Government ID you are using:

Government ID #

### WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF YOUR TRIP?

### \*EMPLOYEE/ CONTRACTOR – ESSENTIAL SERVICES IN KALAWAO COUNTY\*

<i>Your company's name</i>		
<i>Your company's street Address</i>		
<i>City</i>	<i>State</i>	<i>Zip Code</i>
<i>Your Supervisor's name</i>		<i>Your Supervisor's phone number</i>
<i>Your Supervisor's e-mail address</i>		

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\* If you are requesting Quarantine Modification, you and a work supervisor must complete p. 4-5

**ARRIVAL DETAILS**

Please provide details for your planned arrival into Kalawao County:

	Date	Time	Airline or Trail?	If Air, Flight #
Arrival				
Departure				

**MANDATORY QUARANTINE REQUIREMENT**

ALL individuals traveling to Kalawao County are subject to a mandatory self-quarantine period.

The period of self-quarantine shall begin from the date of the individual's entry or arrival into Kalawao County and shall last ten (10) days or fourteen (14) days (as specified in section II.H., of these emergency rules) or the duration of the individual's presence in Kalawao County, if the individual's presence in Kalawao County is shorter than the specified quarantine period.

*Failure to comply with the Kalawao County quarantine guidelines will result in an immediate request from DOH for removal of non-compliant individual(s), fines, or imprisonment, or more than one or all of these.*

**WHERE DO YOU PLAN TO SELF-QUARANTINE IN KALAWAO COUNTY?**

<i>Address/description of Location where you agree to Self-Quarantine for 10 days after arrival</i>

**SPECIAL QUARANTINE CONSIDERATIONS**

**VACCINATION & TRAVEL**

Beginning upon the Governor's approval of these emergency rules, individuals who arrive in Kalawao County from locations within the State of Hawaii ARE EXEMPT from the ten (10) or fourteen (14)-day self-quarantine requirement if:

- a) The individual is fully vaccinated; and
- b) The individual HAS NOT traveled outside the State of Hawaii within the ten (10) days immediately prior to their arrival date in Kalawao County.

On the day of your arrival into Kalawao County:

	YES	NO
1. will you be "fully vaccinated?"		
2. will you have been <u>residing solely within the State of Hawaii for a full 10 days immediately prior to your arrival in Kalawao County?</u> (NO travel outside the State)		



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**QUARANTINE MODIFICATION REQUESTS**

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The Department will only review requests for Quarantine Modification from the supervisors of employees, contractors, and volunteers who are deemed to be providing essential services in the County. *If your work supervisor seeks a quarantine modification for you to be able to provide essential services in the County, you and your work supervisor shall complete the information on pages 4 and 5 of this form.*



## REQUEST FOR QUARANTINE MODIFICATION

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### ESSENTIAL KALAWAO COUNTY EMPLOYEES/CONTRACTORS/VOLUNTEERS

Quarantine Modifications shall apply ONLY to an individual's scheduled work hours and non-essential work hours in Kalawao County. ALL individuals that remain in Kalawao County during their mandated self-quarantine period are still subject to all other quarantine guidelines during their non-work and non-essential work hours.

#### SUPERVISOR

I request a modification of the Kalawao County COVID-19 Quarantine requirements for the undersigned Employee/Contractor/Volunteer to provide essential services during the dates described in this Kalawao County Arrival Request Form. I certify that I have designated these services as essential.

I agree to supervise this individual's work and to assure compliance with Department of Health Emergency Rules for Travel to Kalawao County (herein "emergency rules") during the dates described in this Kalawao County Arrival Request Form. I understand that any violations of the emergency rules, at any time during this individual's stay, will immediately rescind any quarantine modifications already granted by the DOH.

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Supervisor signature

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Date

#### EMPLOYEE/CONTRACTOR

I have read and understand the "DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH EMERGENCY RULES FOR TRAVEL TO KALAWAO COUNTY – updated April 2021" (herein "emergency rules"). I understand that these policies and procedures have been adopted to protect the health and safety of the Kalaupapa community and particularly its most vulnerable members.

I certify that I will comply with all emergency rules and understand that any violations of the emergency rules will immediately rescind any modifications already granted by the DOH. I further understand that any violation of the emergency rules constitutes a legal offense that can result in my immediate removal from the County, fines, or imprisonment, or more than one or all of these.

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Employee/Contractor signature

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Date

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**PROPOSED CONDITIONS - QUARANTINE MODIFICATION**

**ESSENTIAL KALAWAO COUNTY EMPLOYEES/CONTRACTORS/VOLUNTEERS**

EMPLOYEE/CONTRACTOR/VOLUNTEER NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

SUPERVISOR NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

Beginning Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Ending Date: \_\_\_\_\_

PROVIDE A DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE MODIFIED WORK CONDITIONS THE WORK SUPERVISOR PROPOSES FOR THE EMPLOYEE. Work supervisors shall describe the measures the work supervisor proposes the employee will take to prevent the spread of COVID-19 within Kalawao County:

MODIFICATION APPROVED

MODIFICATION DISAPPROVED

\_\_\_\_\_  
Kalaupapa Administrator signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

## FAQs

### KALAWAO COUNTY SELF-QUARANTINE REQUIREMENTS

#### When does the self-quarantine period begin and end?

The period of self-quarantine shall begin from the date of the individual's entry (ARRIVAL) into the County and shall last 10 or 14 days (as specified above), or the duration of the individual's presence in the County, if the individual's presence in Kalawao County is shorter than the specified self-quarantine period.

#### How is an individual expected to "self-quarantine" in Kalawao County?

During the mandated 10- or 14-day self-quarantine period, individuals are required to:

1. Remain in their assigned residence throughout the 10-day or 14-day self-quarantine period;
2. Monitor their health daily for any signs of
  - a. fever (100.4°F),
  - b. cough,
  - c. shortness of breath or difficulty breathing,
  - d. new loss of taste or smell,
  - e. sore throat,
  - f. congestion or runny nose,
  - g. nausea or vomiting, or
  - h. diarrhea;
3. Follow any additional directions from the Department of Health and Kalaupapa Administration.
4. Not put themselves in contact with any individual not subject to quarantine other than a physician, health care provider, or individual authorized to enter a quarantined premises by the Department of Health.

#### What if a self-quarantining individual begins experiencing symptoms of COVID-19 during the quarantine period?

If an individual believes they are experiencing a medical emergency of any kind during their quarantine period, they should immediately call 911.

If an individual begins to experience any of the symptoms of COVID-19 (listed in III. F. above) during their quarantine period, they shall immediately notify at least one of the following and shall begin care and contact tracing procedures:

- 1) Ken Seamon, Kalaupapa Settlement Administrator:  
Phone: (808) 567-6924 or (808) 567-6928  
e-mail: kenneth.seamon@doh.hawaii.gov
- 2) National Park Dispatch  
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*How can a self-quarantining individual get necessary food, supplies?*

During the quarantine period, individuals may call the Kalaupapa Store to order essential items. The individual shall make arrangements for someone to pay for those items and have them delivered to the individual at the individual's quarantine location while maintaining six-foot social distancing.

Kalaupapa Store Phone: (808) 567-6948.



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**NEW KALAWAO COUNTY TRAVEL GUIDELINES (4.12.21)**

