

ORDINANCE NO. 020-60

AN ORDINANCE SUPPLEMENTING
ORDINANCE 016-110 WHICH
AMENDED ORDINANCE 006-75
REGARDING RULES OF CONDUCT
TO REQUIRE FACIAL COVERINGS
ON CHICAGO TRANSIT AUTHORITY
PROPERTY

WHEREAS, Section 31 of the Metropolitan Transit Authority Act empowers the Chicago Transit Board ("Board") to pass all ordinances and make all rules and regulations which are proper and necessary to regulate the use, operation and maintenance of its property and facilities and to adopt fines and penalties for that purpose; and

WHEREAS, On September 11, 1991, the Board adopted Ordinance No. 91-170, governing use of paid areas of Chicago Transit Authority ("Authority") rail property; and

WHEREAS, On February 8, 1994, the Board passed Ordinance No. 94-27, amending and restating Ordinance No. 91-170 governing performance on property owned, operated or maintained by the Authority; and

WHEREAS, On November 12, 1998, the Board passed Ordinance No. 98-126, establishing rules of conduct to promote health, safety and welfare on property owned, operated and maintained by the Authority, thereby establishing uniform penalties for the ordinance violations; and

WHEREAS, On April 21, 1999, the City Council of the City of Chicago amended Chapter 10-8-526 of the Municipal Code of Chicago to give the Chicago Police Department authority to enforce the provisions of CTA Ordinance No. 98-126 and any subsequent amendments of Ordinance No. 98-126 within the areas of its jurisdiction on the transit system; and

WHEREAS, On June 14, 2006, the Board passed Ordinance No. 006-75, incorporating the provisions of Ordinance No. 94-27 into CTA Ordinance No. 98-126 in order to ensure that the Chicago Police Department had the express authority to enforce all of the provisions of CTA Ordinance No. 94-27; and

WHEREAS, On June 11, 2014, the Board passed Ordinance No. 014-60 amending Section 2.8 of Ordinance No. 006-75; and

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WHEREAS, On September 14, 2016, the Board passed Ordinance No. 016-110 amending Sections 1 through 5 of Ordinance No. 006-75 while leaving Sections 6 through 17 of Ordinance No. 006-75 in full force and effect and leaving Ordinance No. 014-60 in full force and effect; and

WHEREAS, On June 26, 2020, in conjunction with an ongoing State disaster proclamation due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Governor of the State of Illinois issued Executive Order No. 2020-43, and the Commissioner of the Department of Public Health of the City of Chicago issued Order No. 2020-9 which requires individuals over the age of two who are able to medically tolerate facial coverings to wear such coverings over their mouths and noses in public places; and

WHEREAS, The Authority has an interest in ensuring that its transportation system is safe for its employees and customers; and

WHEREAS, The Authority therefore seeks to supplement Section 1 of Ordinance No. 016-110 to require the wearing of facial coverings on transit vehicles and other Authority property; now, therefore:

**BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CHICAGO TRANSIT BOARD
OF THE CHICAGO TRANSIT AUTHORITY:**

SECTION 1. Section 1 of Ordinance No. 016-110 is amended by adding Rule #37 to the rules of conduct for the Authority's transportation system and property as follows:

	Type of Conduct	Transit Vehicles	Other CTA Property
(37)	Failure to wear a facial covering over one's mouth and nose if over the age of two and such a facial cover is medically tolerated	Prohibited	Prohibited

SECTION 2. Ordinance No. 016-110 remains in full force and effect in all other respects.

SECTION 3. Sections 6 through 17 of Ordinance No. 006-75 remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 4. Ordinance No. 014-60 remains in full force and effect.

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SECTION 5. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect ten (10) days after it is published in a newspaper of general circulation published in the metropolitan area, as required by the Metropolitan Transit Authority Act, 70 ILCS 3605/31, and shall remain in effect until the State of Illinois and City of Chicago repeal their social distancing and facial covering requirements.

APPROVED:

PASSED:

Chairman

Assistant Secretary

July 15, 2020

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