



**THE TRIAL COURT OF MASSACHUSETTS
OFFICE OF COURT MANAGEMENT**

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MEMORANDUM

TO: All Members of the Security Department

FROM: Jeffrey P. Morrow, Director of Security

DATE: July 12, 2021

RE: REVISION OF COVID-19 SAFETY PROTOCOLS AND CANCELLATION OF COVID-19 RELATED SECURITY DIRECTIVES

The Supreme Judicial Court's *Seventh Updated Order Regarding Court Operations Under Exigent Circumstances Created By The COVID-19 (Coronavirus) Pandemic* issued on July 1, 2021 and internal Executive Office (EOTC) of the Trial Court guidance issued on July 9, 2021 revised previously established COVID-19 related requirements for court operations. In accordance with this guidance, effective July 12, 2021 the Security Department is no longer taking temperatures, conducting health screenings, or monitoring courthouse occupancy levels. Temperature checks have also ceased in lock-ups, which have returned to normal capacity.

Based on this guidance the following Trial Court Security Department Directives are cancelled:

Security Department Directive "COVID-19 Pandemic; Health Safety Protocols for Members of the Public Entering Courthouses (REVISED)", issued on April 7, 2021 setting health screening and temperature check requirements for members of the public to enter courthouses.

Security Department Directive "COVID-19 Pandemic; Courthouse Staff Health Screening (REVISED)" issued on April 7, 2021 setting health screening and temperature check requirements for staff members to enter a courthouse.

Security Department Directive "COVID-19 Pandemic; Managing Courthouse Occupancy" issued July 9, 2020 placing limits on courthouse occupancy and mandating the tracking of building occupancy.

Security Department Directive "COVID-19 Pandemic; Detainee Intake (REISSUE)" issued on May 29, 2020 setting requirements for detainee temperature checks. In accordance with EOTC

guidance, detainee and court officer requirements to wear a face covering in the lock up and while being escorted remains in effect.