



# HOUSTON FIRE DEPARTMENT

## MEMORANDUM

**To:** All Officers and Members  
**From:** Michelle Bentley, Assistant Chief *MB*  
**Through:** Rodney West, Assistant Fire Chief *RW*  
**Subject:** Texas Governor Executive Orders  
**Date:** March 31, 2020

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Texas Governor Greg Abbott has issued an executive order requiring every person who enters the State of Texas through roadways from Louisiana to mandatory self-quarantine for a period of 14 days or the duration of the person's presence in Texas, whichever is shorter.

**This order does not apply to people traveling in connection with commercial activity, military service, emergency response, health response, or critical-infrastructure functions.**

The Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) shall enforce this executive order along the Texas-Louisiana border.

On March 26, 2020, the Governor imposed a mandatory self-quarantine of 14 days for air travelers flying to Texas from certain areas experiencing substantial community spread of COVID-19. The original order pertained to air travelers from the New York tri-state area (NY, NJ, CT) and New Orleans. This order has been expanded to include air travelers from the states of California, Louisiana, and Washington and the cities of Atlanta, GA; Chicago, IL; Detroit, MI; and Miami, FL.

DPS shall identify and obtain contact information from air travelers arriving in Texas from these locations and escort them to their designated place of quarantine. DPS shall request EMS for travelers who appear sick.

Houston Airport System (HAS) instructed DPS to call 9-1-1 as the preferred method of notifying EMS and advise call takers that the patient is a possible COVID-19 patient.

These executive orders went into effect on March 30, 2020 at noon.

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