

COVID-19 GUIDANCE FOR SECURITY OFFICERS



This is the best information we have as of March 31, 2020. The situation is evolving and these guidelines could change so stay tuned for updates.

- Employers should provide all officers with gloves and masks. There is currently a shortage of masks so that may not always be possible. If the Employer does not provide a mask, officers should be allowed to bring their own.
- Employers should provide officers with a cleaning spray or wipe to clean and disinfect duty belts and other gear prior to reuse.
- Employers should use physical barriers to help maintain appropriate distance to protect officers who interact with tenants, such as a desk or table.
- If officers are asked to deliver food or other supplies to infected tenants, they should leave the materials outside the infected persons door and maintain standard hand hygiene practices.
- If requested to guard a quarantine room, officers should remain outside the room unless they are provided with gloves, mask, and a disposable suit or gown.
- Tenants with symptoms consistent with COVID-19 should be isolated in individual rooms if possible and should avoid common areas.
- If asked to respond to an individual who is ill with suspected COVID-19, officers should remain at least six feet away, and relay all information to health care providers or first responders.
- Officers should remain at least six feet from individuals who are suspected or confirmed to have COVID-19,
- Officers should follow general guidance about how to stay healthy, including frequent hand washing.

This is general guidance and could change if recommendations from the government change. If your employer is telling you something different than this, you must first do what your employer is telling you, but then (or if you have any other questions about your workplace) contact your Union Rep or call 212-388-3800.