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The emergence of Coronavirus – also known as COVID-19 – as an international public health concern has prompted governments, employers, schools, labor organizations and families across the globe to take action to protect life and safety.

And just as the illness and its impacts have spread across the globe, so too has public uncertainty, apprehension, and fear. FilmLA encourages all Angelenos to exercise their right to seek and receive reliable, trustworthy information about COVID-19 from authoritative sources, such as the [Centers for Disease Control and Prevention \(CDC\)](#) and the [World Health Organization \(WHO\)](#).

On a local level, the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health (LACDPH) cautions that the cancellation or modification of public events may be necessary to counter a significant community spread of COVID-19. LACDPH maintains [a dedicated Coronavirus website](#) with specific guidance for employers, parents, field workers, travelers, and the unhoused. Practical advice for how to protect yourself and others from COVID-19 is provided there in multiple languages.

By order of local authorities, a variety of temporary limitations and restrictions on film production activity are now in effect in parts of Los Angeles. These measures are described below.

Today, filming activity continues to occur on area streets and stages, subject to temporary limits imposed by local authorities. A summary of these limits is presented below.

City of Los Angeles

Following an announcement by Mayor Garcetti on March 12, 2020, the City of Los Angeles has enacted temporary limits on public gatherings to protect the public and slow the spread of COVID-19. These limits have specific implications for on-location filming, including:

- City Hall is temporarily closed to all filming & scouting requests.
- On-location filming involving city-owned property is temporarily restricted to productions with a combined cast & crew of 50 persons or less.
- On-location filming at all locations is temporarily restricted to productions with a combined cast & crew of 250 persons or less.

The above orders apply to both future filming and to previously issued permits to film in the City of Los Angeles.

Los Angeles Community College District (LACCD)

Effective March 11, 2020, the Los Angeles City College has suspended all scouting and filming activities for the remainder of March, 2020.

Other LACCD campuses currently remain accessible for filmmakers.

Los Angeles Unified School District (LAUSD)

Effective March 12, 2020, the Los Angeles Unified School District has suspended all outside use of its facilities, including all on-location filming and film vehicle parking. All previously-issued permissions for filming and film parking are rescinded. Film vehicles, etc., are to be removed from campus.