

## Construction Identified as an Essential Service

- **Governor Baker issued a new Executive Order this morning effective Tuesday, March 24.** Closing non-essential businesses to the public with the exceptions of businesses who provide an essential service.  
<https://www.mass.gov/doc/march-23-2020-essential-services-and-revised-gatherings-order/download>
- **This Executive Order designates Construction as an essential service.** Following the Executive Order, Governor Baker issued a list of essential businesses and activities that are considered essential and exempt from closing its operations.
- "Construction Workers who support the construction, operation, inspection, and maintenance of construction sites and construction projects (including housing construction)" and also
- "Commercial retail stores that supply essential sectors, including convenience stores, pet supply stores, auto supplies and repair, hardware and home improvement, and home appliance retailers"  
<https://www.mass.gov/doc/covid-19-essential-services/download>