

LETTER to Licensed Landscape Contractors
from Suffolk County Department of Labor, Licensing and
Consumer Affairs

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Subject: ****ATTENTION: COVID-19 UPDATE**** ATENCION: COVID-19 LAS ULTIMAS NOTICIAS****

Dear Business Owner:

At this time landscaping has been deemed an essential service only to the extent that the work being performed is **maintenance only**.

Maintenance includes the following :

- Spring clean ups.
- Thatching.
- Bed weeding and mulching to prevent future weed growth.
- Anything of an emergency nature, if a tree is leaning on someone's house or any situation where it is unsafe to leave bushes or trees because they will cause damage to the home.

You should **not** be doing:

- Any new work. No unnecessary tree or bushing trimming or removal.
- Any landscape, masonry or other type of work that is not necessary for safety reasons. No pavers, brick work, new landscape beds, new plantings or anything else of a cosmetic nature is allowed at this time

Please ensure you are following all guidelines regarding safety and social distancing as per the CDC.

That means:

- When riding to and from jobs all workers in your vehicles should have masks on while travelling.
- Be practicing social distancing while performing work.
- During lunch or breaks you should always be practicing social distancing.
- If yourself or an employee has come in contact with someone who has tested positive or is sick that person should stay home, as to not to infect others.

See that included link for CDC guidance. <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/communication/guidance-list.html?Sort=Date%3A%3Adesc>

Thank you, work smartly and stay safe

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