MASKS

HOW TO USE FACE MASKS SAFELY

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Wearing a mask can protect you and others around you to prevent the spread of COVID-19. Whether you use fabric or disposable face masks, the following steps will help you to use face masks safely.

WASH YOUR HANDS BEFORE AND AFTER YOU TOUCH YOUR MASK

NEVER USE A DAMAGED OR DIRTY MASK

MAKE SURE YOUR MASK DOES NOT HAVE HOLES OR A VALVE

MAKE SURE YOUR MASK COVERS YOUR MOUTH, NOSE AND CHIN AND THAT THERE'S NO GAPS ON THE SIDES

DO NOT TOUCH YOUR FACE OR MASK WHILE YOU ARE WEARING IT

CHANGE YOUR MASK IF GETS DIRTY OR WET WHILE YOU'RE WEARING IT

REMOVE YOUR MASK BY UNHOOKING THE EAR STRAPS AND PULLING IT AWAY FROM YOUR FACE

WASH REUSABLE FABRIC MASKS IN HOT, SOAPY WATER AFTER EACH USE

STORE REUSABLE FABRIC MASKS IN RESEALABLE BAGS WHEN YOU'RE NOT USING THEM

PUT YOUR DISPOSABLE MASK STRAIGHT IN THE BIN AFTER YOU TAKE IT OFF

Please note that children under 2yrs of age should NOT wear a mask.

Masks must be worn by children 12 years and over.

For more information including instructions for making your own mask, visit the Victorian DHHS website www.dhhs.vic.gov.au/coronavirus

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