



## 1. *COVID-19 Face Covering Policy (Revised 12/08/20)*

Benton Area Transit is routinely cleaning its vehicles for the safety of passengers and drivers.

In response to the COVID-19 pandemic and until further notice, all Benton County passengers are required to wear a face covering that covers the nose and mouth while riding Benton County buses and waiting at passenger stop locations. If a passenger does not have a face covering or has a covering that does not cover the nose and mouth, one may be provided by a driver as supplies last.

Face coverings shall fit snugly against the side of the face, be secured with ties or ear loops, and be made of paper or cloth.

This policy complies with guidelines issued by the Oregon Health Authority (OHA) and the Governor's Executive Orders. Effective immediately, no one age 5 years and older is allowed on a Benton Area Transit vehicle without a face covering.

Individuals with a disability which prevents them from wearing a face covering as defined by the OHA may contact 541-766-6318 to inquire about applying for paratransit service.

This Policy shall be in effect until such time that Benton Area Transit determines the policy is no longer needed.