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Sent: Monday, March 23, 2020 6:16 PM
To: barber-schools
Subject: [Barber-schools] FW: Updated information on order to close barbershops
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Dear schools,

Please see the information in the email below.

Some of you have asked whether the order to close also applies to schools. I can't offer definitive advice because this isn't an order from my agency. But the order appears to prohibit you from providing any barber or grooming services even in the school setting. If true, that means things like student haircuts and similar practical training would be prohibited.

If you have any questions, please let me know.

Dennis

From: Seavers, Dennis
Sent: Monday, March 23, 2020 6:13 PM
To: barber-info <barber-info@lists.ncmail.net>
Subject: Updated information on order to close barbershops

Dear barbers and barbershops,

Earlier today, I sent out the email below after the governor announced that all North Carolina barbershops must close by Wednesday at 5:00 PM. I know many of you had additional questions, but we needed to wait for the executive order to be posted to be able to respond to some of those questions.

This email provides some additional information about the order. If you have additional questions, please feel free to contact the board at barberboard@nc.gov. In some cases, we may have to refer you to another agency or entity, but we will try to respond to your questions as quickly as possible.

What did the governor order?

Among other things, the governor required all barbershops in North Carolina to close by Wednesday, March 25, at 5:00 PM. In addition, the governor requested the affected businesses to close earlier, if possible.

A copy of the order is available at this link: <https://files.nc.gov/governor/documents/files/EO120.pdf>.

When does the order expire?

The portion of the order that affects barbershops is effective for 30 days, or until April 24, 2020. However, there are a few things to keep in mind:

- The governor could issue another order that requires shops to be closed beyond April 24, depending on the status of the pandemic.

- Local governments (cities or counties) may issue orders that extend the period of time.

Is this an order from the Board of Barber Examiners?

No. This is an order from the governor, not the board. The board doesn't have the authority to order this kind of closure.

What happens if I violate the order?

Apart from the risk to public health, you may be subject to prosecution for a Class 2 misdemeanor.

Are we allowed to provide barber services at home (or a client's home)?

No, that's prohibited by law. The only exception is for your family members. "Family members" is defined as a spouse, brother, sister, parent, grandparent, child, grandchild, mother-in-law, father-in-law, daughter-in-law, son-in-law, stepparent, or stepchild.

If my local government (city or county) issued an order to close shops that goes into effect before Wednesday, can I stay open until Wednesday?

No, you must follow the requirements of the local government, as well. For example, as I mentioned in an earlier email, Wake County ordered shops to close, effective Monday, March 23, at 8:00 AM. That means Wake County shops must already have closed.

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Executive Director

North Carolina Board of Barber Examiners

From: Seavers, Dennis

Sent: Monday, March 23, 2020 1:19 PM

To: barber-info <barber-info@lists.ncmail.net>; barber-schools <barber-schools@lists.ncmail.net>

Subject: Effective Wednesday.: Governor orders all shops to close

Dear barbers and barbershops,

The governor has issued an order for ALL barbershops in North Carolina to close, effective Wednesday, March 25 at 5:00 PM. The governor encourages earlier closures, but the requirement is for Wednesday at 5:00 PM.

Note: this is an order from the governor, not the board. The board is only passing on this information for your awareness.

I understand that this is a difficult time for barbers and shop owners. If you need assistance with social services, food, or other resources, please call 211 to be connected with resources.

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