

NEWAYGO COUNTY TRIAL COURTS

PRESS RELEASE



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NEWAYGO COUNTY – The Newaygo County Courthouse will be open to the public beginning Monday, June 29th, 2020 and will resume normal business hours. Courthouse visitors may bring filings, make payments and conduct regular business while following occupancy restrictions related to COVID-19 and social distancing practices approved by the State Court Administrative Office. Please note that seating has been removed in some parts of the courthouse to facilitate better social distancing and disinfecting. All visitors must:

- Complete a health screening and have their temperature taken prior to entry.
- Wear a mask while in the building.
- Adhere to six-foot social distancing markers in lobbies, hallways and courtrooms.
- Be prepared to wait outside, or in an alternate area, as advised by staff if common areas are too crowded until building occupancy is down and social distancing can be maintained safely.
- Utilize hand sanitizer and disinfectant wipes to cleanse hands public areas for their protection.

Although the courthouse is open to the public, a large number of hearings and business will still be completed remotely using the same structure as when the building was closed. Judges will utilize Zoom for remote hearings and filings can still be submitted to the appropriate court electronically for processing. Please feel free to contact the correct court for more details on how to submit a filing electronically or if you require assistance with a remote hearing. Court sessions will continue to be livestreamed to provide public access. Hearings will be held in-person on a limited basis.

Please see the complete Local Administrative Order for more complete details or contact the appropriate court using the information below:

Circuit Court

Email: wjarvis@co.newaygo.mi.us

Phone: (231) 689-7251

Main Phone: (231) 689-7252

Fax: (231) 689-7015

District Court

Email: dmr@co.newaygo.mi.us

Phone: (231) 689-7228

Main Phone: (231) 689-7257

Fax (231) 689-7258

Probate Court

Email: c2762nmp@co.newaygo.mi.us

Phone: (231) 689-7274

Main: (231) 689-7270

Fax: (231) 689-7276

Safety is of the utmost importance for the public and those working in the courthouse. We look forward to working together to ensure accessibility to the public for courthouse services now and in the future.

Hon. Robert D. Springstead
Chief Judge
Circuit Court Judge
Newaygo County Trial Courts

