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Both Virginia and North Carolina governors have issued stay at home orders for residents in an effort to prevent the spread of COVID-19.

Virginia's order went into effect at 2 p.m. today (March 30) and North Carolina's order will take effect at 5 p.m. The orders call for residents to stay at home and only leave their residence for essential activities (seek medical care, pick up medicine or groceries, care for a family member or friend, etc.) or to participate in COVID-19 essential business operations.

The U.S. Department of Homeland Security has deemed Newport News Shipbuilding part of the federal critical infrastructure sector, meaning that our shipyard operations – delivering and redelivering ships to the U.S. Navy's fleet – is a national need, critical to our national defense. Therefore, employees are allowed to leave their home to travel to and from NNS. Employees questioned by law enforcement during their commute can show their company badge to the authority and should not be penalized for being on the roadway.

More information about the orders and the Homeland Security designation is below:

- Virginia: [https://www.governor.virginia.gov/media/governorvirginiagov/executive-actions/EO-55-Temporary-Stay-at-Home-Order-Due-to-Novel-Coronavirus-\(COVID-19\).pdf](https://www.governor.virginia.gov/media/governorvirginiagov/executive-actions/EO-55-Temporary-Stay-at-Home-Order-Due-to-Novel-Coronavirus-(COVID-19).pdf)
- North Carolina (see exception 2): <https://files.nc.gov/governor/documents/files/EO121-Stay-at-Home-Order-3.pdf>
- Department of Homeland Security designation of NNS as operating in a federal critical infrastructure sector (Defense Industrial Base): www.cisa.gov/identifying-critical-infrastructure-during-covid-19

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