As of March 12, 2022, masks are no longer required to be worn in many settings:

- Local health jurisdictions and individual businesses may still choose to require masking.
- Employees can wear masks if they choose to. Businesses can’t punish workers who wear a mask, take time off to get vaccinated, or seek treatment for COVID-19.
- Masks or respirators will continue to be required in health care settings, long-term care, and correctional facilities.
- Masks will continue to be required in all other locations when required by federal, state, county or other local law or mandate.

Other Resources:
Frequently Asked Questions on mask and face coverings:

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MASKS/FACE COVERING
WHO DOES THIS APPLY TO? EVERYONE!

Masks remain an important tool for reducing the transmission of COVID-19, especially with the emergence of more contagious variants. The Department of Health recommends people ages five and over to wear masks in crowded indoor settings and confined spaces when COVID-19 activity is increasing in your area. When you wear a mask, you help protect others around you as well as yourself. See Governor Proclamation 20-25.9 and DOH Mask/Face Covering Guidance During COVID-19 for more.

In February and early March of 2022, the Governor rescinded the requirement that face coverings be worn in most places. (Governor’s proclamation)

“Although masks are not required in most workplaces per the Governor’s proclamation, private businesses can still require masks if they choose.”

The Secretary of Health and the Department of Health outline state Face Covering requirements in Proclamation 20-03.8.

Per the Department of Health, “... some employees who themselves have certain health risks or who live with people at risk for severe COVID-19 may still need to, or choose to, wear masks; workers have the right to wear a mask in order to protect themselves, their families and their communities.”

“People exempt from Face Covering Requirement include children and people with medical conditions, mental health conditions, developmental or cognitive condition, or disability that prevents wearing a face covering are exempt from the requirement to wear a face covering.”
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1. https://doh.wa.gov/emergencies/covid-19/masks-and-face-coverings#:~:text=However, masks remain an important, indoor settings and confined spaces.

2. L&I Requirements and Guidance for Preventing COVID-19: