



Door and Access Systems and COVID-19

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Every day, gates and doors, such as garage doors, high performance doors, rolling doors, and similar doors, along with operators that automate such doors and gates, provide essential access and egress to our nation's buildings and facilities. Manufacture and service of these doors and access systems is even more critical now as the nation deals with the COVID-19 crisis.

Access and egress to homes, medical facilities, manufacturing facilities, pharmaceutical plants, research and development facilities, police and fire departments, etc. is essential, and such access and egress can only be maintained through the work of dedicated, professional technicians. Our industry is helping maintain secure and safe access for the public, which allows individuals to seek medical care, to provide medical care, and to address the crisis in countless ways.

DASMA supports steps taken by public health officials to combat COVID-19. We urge public officials to consider door and access systems and service of such systems to be essential based on the need to maintain access and egress to the nation's buildings and facilities.

Door and Access Systems Technicians are on the front lines of ensuring proper installation and operation of these essential access systems. The members of DASMA encourage technicians to follow these basic guidelines to stay safe:

- Wipe surfaces that may have been contaminated (via coughs, sneezes, or touches) with disinfectant wipes prior to beginning work.
- Maintain 6 feet of social distance from potentially infected individuals.
- Consider wearing gloves and / or masks when working in areas that may be frequented by infected individuals.
- Wash hands thoroughly with soap and hot water after completing work.
- Contact the local health service department, notify immediate supervisor, and avoid contact with others if you have come into contact with the virus while performing a service call. Consult a medical professional if you start feeling the symptoms.
- For additional information and guidelines, consult the [CDC](https://www.cdc.gov) website.

All individuals are expected to take actions to reduce risk of transmitting the COVID-19 virus, and we thank Door and Access Systems Technicians for their service in these trying times as they ensure proper maintenance and operation of the nation's door and access systems.