NATIONAL CORONAVIRUS INFORMATION

NEW UPDATES IN PURPLE

White House Advisory: Effective for 15 days from 3/16/2020. Do not gather in groups of more than 10.

ServSafe COVID-19 Resources

CDC Guidance on Cleaning and Disinfection

EPA Approved Coronavirus Disinfectants

CDC Posters and Fact Sheets

Some jurisdictions have suspended their laws that require the use of reusable bags and are temporarily allowing for single-use paper bags. The Bag Alliance has compiled a tracker of such suspensions: here.

ALABAMA

Alabama Department of Public Health: http://www.adph.org/Default.asp?bhcp=1

Alabama Restaurant & Hospitality Association Resources: https://www.arhaonline.com/arhaconnection-blog/coronavirus-information-resources

Alabama Governor: https://governor.alabama.gov/

Birmingham Updates: https://www.birminghamal.gov/coronavirus

3/24- Birmingham Shelter in Place Issued- Restaurants my continue take out, drive thru and delivery. Click here to view the Shelter-in-Place Ordinance Approved by City Council on March 24, 2020

Get answers to frequently asked questions about the ordinance here

STATEWIDE

Effective, March 19th. It was just announced that the Alabama Department of Public Health (ADPH) is prohibiting any restaurant, bar or brewery in the state of Alabama from serving food or drink on premises. The regulations are designed to limit the spread of coronavirus, with exceptions for facilities serving emergency personnel and health care providers.
All restaurants, bars, breweries or "similar establishments" are banned from on-premises consumption of food or drinks as of 5 p.m. TODAY.

Take-out and delivery are still allowed. More details are available at AL.com

**Effective Wednesday, March 18**, locations licensed by the ABC board to sell alcohol either for on-premises consumption and/or off-premises consumption may now sell via curbside pick-up or take-out services. Delivery is not included because it would require legislative action in order to change a state law.

You are limited to one 750-ml bottle of spirits, one 750-ml bottle of wine, or a six-pack of beer per customer. Customers will still be required to produce identification. Download a copy of the order here.

3/17- Gov. Kay Ivey's office announced the Alabama Department of Public Health (ADPH) is prohibiting any restaurant, bar or brewery in the six-county area from serving food or drink on premises. The regulations, designed to limit the spread of coronavirus, will be reevaluated after one week.

### ALASKA

Alaska Department of Public Health: [http://health.hss.state.ak.us](http://health.hss.state.ak.us)


Alaska Governor: [https://gov.alaska.gov/](https://gov.alaska.gov/)

3/23- Governor Dunleavv issued the 9th and 10th mandates set to go into effect over the next two days. The 9th mandate extended the ceasing of operations for personal care facilities to the entire state of Alaska, where it had previously been limited to the the entire state of Alaska, where it had previously been limited to the Fairbanks North Star and Ketchikan Gateway Boroughs. It also banned gatherings of more than 10 people.

Health mandate number 10 imposes a mandatory quarantine for anyone coming into Alaska from domestic or international travel, and that businesses and employees of critical infrastructure must put into place a plan detailing how they would avoid the spread of COVID-19. Failure to adhere to mandate 10 carries with it a fine of $25,000, or no more than one year of prison, or both.

See health mandate page: [https://gov.alaska.gov/home/covid19-healthmandates/](https://gov.alaska.gov/home/covid19-healthmandates/)

Issued: March 17, 2020 By: Governor Mike Dunleavv, Commissioner Adam Crum, Alaska Department of Health and Social Services, Dr. Anne Zink, Chief Medical Officer, State of Alaska

To prevent or slow the spread of Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19), the State of Alaska is issuing its third health mandate.
Mandate 3.1

By order of the Governor, beginning March 18 at 5 p.m., and continuing until April 1 at 5 p.m., the following mandates are in effect:

With the goal of minimizing in-person interaction in enclosed spaces, effective March 18 at 5 p.m. all bars, breweries, restaurants, food and beverage kiosks or trucks, and other establishments serving food or beverages within the State of Alaska shall be closed to the public dine-in service. All buffets and salad bars are closed to self-service. A copy of this order, or a sign communicating the closure information, shall be prominently posted by the person having control of the establishment.

Places of public accommodation are encouraged to offer food and beverage using delivery service, window service, walk-up service, drive-through service, or drive-up service, and to use precautions in doing so to mitigate the potential transmission of COVID-19, including social distancing.

In offering food or beverage, a place of public accommodation subject to this section may permit up to five members of the public at one time in the place of public accommodation for the purpose of picking up their food or beverage orders, so long as those individuals are at least 6 feet apart from one another while on premises.

All entertainment facilities shall be closed to the public, including theaters, gyms and fitness centers, bowling alleys and bingo halls.

The restrictions do not apply to any of the following:

- Places of public accommodation that offer food and beverage not for on premises consumption, including grocery stores, markets, convenience stores, pharmacies, drug stores, and food pantries, with the exception of their self-service buffets and salad bars.

- Health care facilities, pharmacies, child care facilities, residential care facilities, congregate care facilities, and juvenile justice facilities.

- Crisis shelters, soup kitchens, or similar institutions.

- Employee cafeterias within a business, with the exception of their self-service buffets and salad bars.

- Restaurants and food courts inside the secured zones of airports.

These measures are being implemented to protect all Alaskans and we appreciate the public and business community’s understanding of these mandates in an effort to mitigate the impacts of this virus.

For the latest information on COVID-19, visit coronavirus.alaska.gov
State of Alaska COVID-19 Mandate 003 Printable version of this mandate is available at:
Anchorage: Hunker Down order goes into effect 3/22-10 PM:
http://www.muni.org/Departments/ Mayor/PressReleases/Pages/Hunker-Down-order-goes-into-effect-at-10-p.m.-tonight.aspx

The emergency order includes a list of critical businesses that can continue to operate while implementing social distancing techniques to the maximum extent possible—including switching to curbside or delivery service. The critical business list includes health care operations, grocery stores, convenience stores, maintenance and operations of critical infrastructure, first responders, criminal justice personnel, critical government functions, defense and national security-related operations, food cultivation, social services, journalism, gas stations, banks and other financial institutions, hardware stores, plumbers, electricians, mailing and shipping services, laundromats, educational institutions for the purpose of distance learning, restaurants (for takeout and delivery only), transportation services, hotels, childcare facilities (to serve workers in critical jobs only), and some legal and accounting services. For a full list, refer to the emergency order. These businesses should incorporate remote working whenever possible and adhere to CDC social distancing guidelines including maintaining six feet between people.

ARIZONA

Arizona Department of Public Health: http://www.azdhs.gov/

Arizona Restaurant Association Resources: https://azrestaurant.org/coronavirus/

Arizona Governor: https://azgovernor.gov/

Per the Arizona Restaurant Association on March 23rd: Governor Ducey's Executive Order Includes Restaurants as Essential Service

Today, Governor Ducey issued an Executive Order defining what businesses and operations are considered "essential" by the State. The order included restaurants off-premises operations in the list of businesses. This action prohibits counties, cities, and towns from issuing any order that prohibits the performance or function of an essential service. In a press release, Governor Ducey said "Arizona is focused on limiting the spread of COVID-19, while providing relief to families, individuals and businesses impacted. This proactive order will ensure the state has one consistent, overarching policy that is based on CDC and public health guidance — allowing business owners and workers to responsibly plan ahead. We will continue to proceed with a calm and steady approach and act with urgency, while providing certainty whenever possible."

The order defines restaurants off-premises operations as:

- Restaurants and other facilities that prepare and serve food, but only for consumption off-premises through:
  - in-house delivery
  - third-party delivery
  - drive-thru
  - curbside pickup
  - carry out
The order defines a multitude of other services and business as essential including the suppliers that restaurants rely on.

Read the Governor's Executive Order

Previous: The Arizona Department of Public Health strongly recommends that dining establishments in areas of known community spread (including Maricopa, Pima and Pinal counties) discourage dine in traffic and instead provide curbside pickup or drive thru service.

Cancel or postpone gatherings of 10 or more.

### COVID-19 Emergency Measure Allowing Restaurants to Sell Alcohol for Off-Premise Consumption Guidance

On Friday, March 20, 2020, the Arizona Department of Liquor Licenses and Control (DLLC) issued rules to implement Governor Ducey's Executive Order 2020-09, which allows restaurants to offer alcohol for sale along with delivery and takeout orders. Today, DLLC issued a guidance document for implementation.

**DLLC Guidance:**

- Restaurant licensees may temporarily sell alcohol through delivery, pick-up, and curb-side service.
- Restaurant licensees that use pick-up and curb-side to sell alcohol must still only allow individuals 18 or older to sell the alcohol.
- Beverages sold for delivery, pick-up, or curb-side service must be in a "sealed container" - a sealed container is any container of spirituous liquor which:
  - has an unbroken tax seal from the United States, or
  - has a cap, cork, or seal placed there by the manufacture.
- Licensees may sell mixed drinks if they seal the container before removing it from the licensed premises and ensure the seal remains in place until the consumer takes possession.
- Licensees may seal containers by capping and applying a plastic adhesive seal or by corking flush with the top of the bottle.
- Licensees using delivery to sell alcohol must comply with the documentation requirements outlined by DLLC which can be accessed by visiting https://azliquor.gov/forms/inv_recdelivery_access.pdf.

**Arizona Restaurant Association Guidance:**

**Third-party delivery services**

Alcohol deliveries should be made by restaurant employees and only made to individuals over the age of 21 with an ID that matches the name on the form of payment. Third-party delivery services
lack crucial safeguards that help protect you from losing your liquor license, liability damages, and reputational damages. There is currently no way for third-party delivery services to perform proper ID checks and verify the ID matches order details nor is there a way for this to be documented as part of the record requirements. Additionally, since orders processed by third-party delivery services are paid to the third-party delivery service and not directly, to the restaurant it would be a violation of Arizona Liquor Law since payment for alcohol must be paid to a licensed establishment. It is for these reasons we strongly advise against offering alcohol for sale through a third-party delivery service at this time until further clarification is offered by the appropriate authorities.

Insurance Considerations

There are two important insurance issues to consider when thinking about offering alcohol for sale with delivery or takeout.

The first, does your liquor liability coverage have an exclusion for alcohol delivery or takeout and is your coverage sufficient for the expanded activity? You are highly encouraged to check with your broker and ask if you are covered at the appropriate level of your new offering.

Second, if you are using employees to perform the delivery of alcohol (which is recommend by the ARA – see above) in their personal vehicles, you should check with your broker to make sure you have the proper coverage for DELIVERY. Your employees will need to have certain minimum limits on their personal coverage, and they should check to see if they are allowed to use their vehicles for business purposes. Ask your broker if the combination of your employee’s personal auto policy and your business auto policy is enough to protect you? **Bottom line check with your broker and describe the activity you will be performing and ensure your policies are able to cover you!**


Per the Arizona Restaurant Association’s email 3/20: Governor Ducey Announces Restaurant Closures in Counties with Confirmed COVID-19 Cases- ordered take out and delivery only in the following counties: Cocino, Graham, Maricopa, Navajo, Pinal, Santa Cruz, Yavapai. Any additional counties with COVID cases will be under the same restrictions https://www.azdhs.gov/index.php

Last night Governor Ducey announced that he was taking additional steps to curb the spread of COVID-19. One such step is ordering the restriction of restaurant activities to takeout, drive-thru and delivery options. In a statement the Governor said, “These latest actions are based on the facts and on data, and come after careful consultation with public health experts from every county in Arizona, our hospitals, local elected officials, and private sector partners.”

Provisions of the new order include:
• Beginning at the close of business on Friday, March 20, restaurant operations are restricted to takeout, drive-thru, and delivery options in counties with confirmed cases of COVID-19
• Beginning at 5:00PM on Friday, March 20, allows restaurants to sell alcohol for delivery and takeout
• Allows manufacturers, wholesalers and retailers to buy back unopened products from restaurants, bars and clubs
• Beginning at the close of business on Friday, March 20, closes all bars, theaters and gyms in counties with confirmed cases of COVID-19
• Halts all elective surgeries to free up medical resources
• Activates the AZ National Guard to assist grocery stores and food banks with re-stocking and heightened demand
• Delays expiration dates on Arizona driver licenses for residents over the age of 65

Read the press release

ARKANSAS

Arkansas Department of Public Health: http://www.healthy.arkansas.gov/Pages/default.aspx
Arkansas Hospitality Association Resources: https://www.arhospitality.org/coronavirus-resources.html
Arkansas Governor: https://governor.arkansas.gov/
Little Rock Mayor: https://www.littlerock.gov/city-administration/mayors-office/

3/25: The City of Little Rock is under a daily curfew from 12 a.m. to 5 a.m. as a measure to help curb gatherings of people at night spots where coronavirus could be easily spread.

State and federal health officials have repeatedly advised that social distancing is an important step to take towards preventing the spread of this highly contagious virus. In an effort to protect public safety, the City of Little Rock has implemented measures aimed at minimizing exposure.


CALIFORNIA

California Department of Public Health:  https://www.cdph.ca.gov/

California Restaurant Association Resources:  https://www.calrest.org/coronavirus-resources

California Governor:  https://www.gov.ca.gov/

Post hand-washing signs in all of the public and employee-only restrooms and food prep areas of your business.

Re-useable Containers: It is a voluntary law and not recommended to allow reusable containers at this time.

3/19 - Per the New York Times:  Gov. Gavin Newsom of California on Thursday ordered Californians — all 40 million of them — to stay in their houses as much as possible in the coming weeks as the state confronts the escalating coronavirus outbreak. The order represents the most drastic measure any governor has taken to control the virus, and a decision that Gov. Andrew M. Cuomo of New York, which has far more cases than California, has resisted taking.

The order requires all indoor malls, shopping centers, playgrounds and other “non-essential” retail businesses to close. “Essential businesses” include restaurants, grocery stores, pharmacies, food banks, farmers markets, convenience stores, hardware stores and gas stations.

3/19 Per California Restaurant Association:  Sunday afternoon Governor Newsom directed restaurants statewide to cut their seating capacity in half and practice “social distancing” between guest parties.

Monday night Governor Newsom moved away from that request and directed restaurants statewide to operate only via take out, delivery, drive thru, and curb side pick-up.

The California Department of Public Health has issued the following resource that indicates:

“Restaurants should be closed for in-restaurant seated dining and should be open only to drive-through or other pick-up/delivery options.”

https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/OPA/Pages/NR20-024.aspx

The California Department of Beverage Control has also issued the following:

“For any licensee with on-sale retail privileges, the guidance indicates you should cease exercising those privileges immediately. Further, you should follow the directive from Public Health to cease on-restaurant seated dining.”
COLORADO

Colorado Department of Public Health: http://www.cdphe.state.co.us/

State link to Coronavirus updates: https://www.colorado.gov/pacific/cdphe/2019-novel-coronavirus

Colorado Restaurant Association Resources: https://www.corestaurant.org/resources/coronavirus-resources

Colorado Governor: https://www.colorado.gov/executive-office/office-governor

Per Colorado Restaurant Association on 3/25:

This morning, the Boulder County, Jefferson County, and Tri-County (Adams, Arapahoe, and Douglas Counties) health departments issued a joint Stay at Home Order, effective at 8 a.m. on March 26 through April 17. Restaurants and businesses that supply restaurants are classified as essential services and are exempted from these orders. You can read the details of the Tri-County orders here, Boulder County orders can be found here, and Jefferson County orders can be found here. Please note that the details outlined in each of the orders are the same. Here is what you need to know to comply:

- The order requires individuals anywhere within the Tri-County, Boulder County, and Jefferson County jurisdictions to stay at home unless they are conducting certain essential services/activities.
- If individuals are using shared outdoor spaces they must maintain social distancing of at least six feet from all individuals who they do not live with.
- Individuals experiencing homelessness are exempt but strongly encouraged to find adequate shelter.
- All non-essential businesses are ordered to cease all business activities and close down for the duration of the order.
- All public and private gatherings are prohibited, except those between people that live together.
- All travel to places outside those listed as essential services is prohibited. Individuals may only use public transit to travel to essential businesses and must maintain social distancing to the extent feasible.
- Social distancing requirements include maintaining a distance of at least six feet, washing hands with soap and water for at least twenty seconds as frequently as possible or using hand sanitizer.
does when hand sinks are not available, covering coughs/sneezes with the sleeve or elbow, regularly cleaning high-touch surfaces, and not shaking hands.

- Any individual found in flagrant or willful violation of the order may be guilty of a Class 1 misdemeanor and subject to a fine up to $5,000 and an 18-month jail sentence.

- Essential activities are:
  - Any task essential to a person’s health and safety, or the health and safety of a family member they are assisting.
  - Obtaining necessary services and supplies such as food, pet supplies, medications, etc.
  - Outdoor activities either individually or in groups up to four people that allow for social distancing.
  - Performing work at an essential business.
  - Caring for a family member or friend in another household.
  - Moving from one house to another.

- Essential businesses include:
  - Anything healthcare-related; hospitals, clinics, pharmacies, nursing homes, etc.
  - Grocery stores, which includes stores that sell groceries and also sell other non-groceries related products such as household needs and cleaning supplies.
  - Restaurants providing delivery, takeout, and drive-thru services.
  - Veterinary care and animal shelters.
  - Utilities, power, water, gas, etc.
  - Public works construction and other private construction operations.
  - Skilled trades such as electricians and plumbers.
  - Airports.
  - Oil and gas operations.
  - Transportation needs including public transit and roads and highways.
  - Gas stations.
  - Other essential businesses can be found in the order.

Per Colorado Restaurant Association on 3/23: Local Stay at Home Orders - Issued March 23, 2020, and later
We are tracking local Stay at Home orders across the State. In all cases, restaurants, as well as business that supply restaurants, are considered essential and are therefore EXCLUDED from these orders and may continue to operate. Read more here.

3/20: Alcohol To-Go and Delivery Rules Announced

Today, Governor Polis signed an executive order that allows liquor licensees licensed for on premises consumption to sell alcohol for carry out, and delivery. This order is in effect now and will stay in effect until April 18th. You can read the full order here.

Here is what you need to know:

- Operators must have one of the following licenses: Beer and Wine, Brew Pubs, Club Licenses, Distillery Pubs, Hotel & Restaurant, Lodging and Entertainment, Tavern, or Vintners Restaurant
- The order applies to all types of beer, wine, and spirits (cocktails and mixed drinks included).
- Beverages must be in a sealed container – according to LED, sealed containers include plastic cups with plastic lids, even if there is a straw hole, as long as there isn’t a straw in it. Restaurants can also refill growlers.
- Sale of food must be on the same receipt or transaction.
- As always, sales to someone under 21 or someone who is visibly intoxicated are prohibited.
- For delivery orders, individuals placing the order must be 21 years of age or over, and must provide their name, date of birth, and delivery address. This information must be verified upon delivery.
- Establishments licensed as a distillery pub or a brewery may only sell what’s made on site. (We believe this was supposed to say “distillery” and are seeking a change.)
- Deliveries may only be made to the address provided at the time of the order.
- Persons making the delivery must be 21 years old or older and an employee of the licensee. (We are working with LED and the Governor’s office to allow third parties to deliver, as most restaurants aren’t set up for delivery.)
- Licensee must retain all records regarding the delivery of alcohol beverages.

3/19 Governor Polis Extends Dine-In Closure Until April 30. Governor Polis issued an amended order yesterday to extend the dine-in closure until April 30, 2020. The order also clarified that hotel restaurants and bars are not exempt from this closure, but can continue to provide room service. This order also explicitly excludes alcohol from being consumed on premise. See the full order here.
Clarification on Gatherings of 10+ and Staffing

The order restricting groups of more than ten from gathering does not include staffing, per the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment. Your staff can be larger than ten, but you should follow the CDPHE guidelines for restaurants AND restrict customers who have come in for take-out to five or fewer in your space at one time. Customers waiting in line should be six feet apart from one another.

The Public Health Order closes:

- Brew pubs, breweries, microbreweries, distillery pubs, wineries, tasting rooms, special licensees, clubs, public bars, taverns, restaurants, food courts, cafes, coffeehouses, cigar bars, gyms, gymnasiums, theaters, and casinos to slow the spread of the COVID-19 virus
- Movie and performance theaters, opera houses, concert halls, and music halls
- Restaurants, food courts, cafes, and other similar places of public accommodation offering food or beverage for on-premises consumption

These places are encouraged to offer food and beverage using delivery service, window service, walk-up service, drive-through service, or drive-up service.

The restrictions imposed by this order do not apply to any of the following:

- Places of public accommodation that offer food and beverage not for on-premises consumption, including grocery stores, markets, convenience stores, pharmacies, drug stores, and food pantries, room service in hotels, health care facilities, residential care facilities, congregate care facilities, and juvenile justice facilities; crisis shelters or similar institutions; food courts inside the secured zones of airports; and any emergency facilities necessary for the response to these events.

Denver:

3/25: Update on Denver Breweries and Stay at Home Orders

Denver has added breweries to its list of essential businesses, which are exempt from the City's Stay at Home Order. There is a caveat: Establishments licensed as Brew Pubs may sell for off-site consumption. Breweries MAY be able to sell for off-site consumption if they have an “approved for salesroom,” which is a permit from the state. If the brewery does not have this permit, it cannot sell for off-premise use. Wineries may not sell for outside consumption. Read more here.

Previous: The Denver Department of Public Health & Environment's (DDPHE) public health investigators will visit all Denver food facilities (3000+), prioritizing facilities with onsite food handling and/or onsite consumption, and those with highest likelihood of customer/environmental surface contact (places like fast food facilities--think of all the surfaces people can touch while waiting in line, ordering, getting beverages, etc.), as well as those with buffets.

Food trucks will receive this information, although they are lower priority due to the fact there is little touching of surfaces by customers during their transaction.

Visits will involve delivering **signage that is required to be posted** at the facility entrance and in restrooms reminding customers about the importance of washing their hands and not dining out when having symptoms of respiratory illness.

Visits will also provide guidance on restricting ill food handlers and frequently disinfecting high-touch environmental surfaces.

DDPHE will require that this info be posted under 24-16 DRMC. Facilities that fail to comply may be subject to enforcement action under 24-24 DRMC.

If you need any additional 'Wash Your Hands' restaurant posters, you may **download** print-ready versions provided in the "Download & Share Additional Resources' section of this page.

**CONNECTICUT**

Connecticut Department of Public Health: [http://www.ct.gov/dph/site/default.asp](http://www.ct.gov/dph/site/default.asp)


Department of Labor FAQs: [http://www.ctdol.state.ct.us/DOLCOVIDFAQ.PDF](http://www.ctdol.state.ct.us/DOLCOVIDFAQ.PDF)

Connecticut Governor: [https://portal.ct.gov/](https://portal.ct.gov/)

3/20/2020- Governor Issues Stay Safe, Stay at Home Policy - Restaurants Still Viewed As An Essential Industry

Today, Governor Ned Lamont announced the closing of all non-essential businesses in Connecticut through April 22. The "Stay Safe, Stay at Home" Policy is in line with New York's early announcement to help slow the spread of the coronavirus.

The Governor is directing all non-essential businesses and not-for-profit entities in Connecticut to prohibit all in-person functions if they are able to, effective **Monday, March 23, 2020 at 8:00 p.m.** Also, he is encouraging all businesses to employ, to the maximum extent possible, any telecommuting or work-from-home procedures that they can safely implement.
RESTAURANTS ARE VIEWED AS AN ESSENTIAL BUSINESS and can continue to offer take-out, curbside, drive-thru and delivery to residents around the state. In addition, they will be able to provide alcohol for off-premise consumption.

3/16/2020
CONNECTICUT RESTAURANT ASSOCIATION EMAIL TO RESTAURANT COMMUNITY
Governor Ned Lamont announced today in collaboration with New York and New Jersey that all restaurants and bars may no longer serve guests wishing to be seated and dine inside. This order takes effect at 8:00 pm on Monday, March 16, 2020 in reaction to the evolving COVID-19 Coronavirus health crisis. There is no timetable for when this order will end.
Restaurant locations in Connecticut, which total more than 8,500, are allowed to continue providing food to customers via takeout, drive-thru, curbside pickup and delivery.

PLEASE CLICK HERE FOR THE GOVERNOR'S EXECUTIVE ORDER NO.7D
Click here to read the full email.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

District of Columbia Department of Public Health: http://doh.dc.gov/

Restaurant Association of Metropolitan Washington Resources: https://www.ramw.org/blog

Mayor's Office Updates: https://coronavirus.dc.gov/

3/25: Mayor orders all non-essential businesses to close. Provisions related to restaurants:

Restaurants and other facilities that prepare and serve food are included in this category (essential business), but only for delivery, carry out, or “grab and go,” including food trucks and rapid made-to-order meals, but not for sit down consumption;
Schools, senior centers, and other entities that typically provide free food services to students or members of the public may continue to do so under this Order; provided, that the food is distributed to students or members of the public on a pick-up and take-away basis only; and
iii. Facilities that provide food services under this exemption shall neither permit the food to be eaten at the site where it is provided nor shall food be provided in a self-serve manner, such as buffet bar, salad bar, or large pots of soup where people serve themselves;


Previous: 3/20- DC Mayor Muriel Bowser announced this afternoon that restaurants will be closed for on-premise service until April 27th. She is advising people to stay indoors, but has NOT issued a shelter in place mandate. Take-out and delivery service will continue. It is also important to note that restaurants,
although modified in operation and services, are considered essential personnel in some jurisdictions that DO have a shelter in place mandate, as they are considered essential food sources.

DC Mayor Muriel Bowser issued guidelines banning on premise dining at restaurants starting at 10pm tonight and through April 1, 2020 at 6am. Restaurants and bars are still able to offer meals to go through take out, delivery or curbside service. Read the Mayor's order here.

The DC Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) Board adopted an emergency rulemaking prohibiting the sale of alcoholic beverages for on-premises consumption starting Thursday, March 19th at 4 pm. More details here: https://www.ramw.org/blog/all-premises-alcohol-sales-consumption-suspended-effective-today-4pm.

DELAWARE

Delaware Health Department: https://dhss.delaware.gov/dhss/dph/index.html

Delaware Restaurant Association Resources: http://www.delawarerestaurant.org/covid19/

On March 22, the Governor ordered non-essential businesses to close at 8:00a.m. on Tuesday, March 24 and will remain in effect until May 15 or until the "public health threat is eliminated."

REFER TO THE LIST OF ESSENTIAL AND NON-ESSENTIAL BUSINESSES.

READ THE FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS ABOUT THIS CLOSURE.

IF YOU ARE AN ESSENTIAL BUSINESS, BELOW IS GUIDANCE TO KEEP YOUR STAFF AND YOUR COMMUNITY SAFE

The following COVID-19 infection control measures must be enforced for businesses providing essential services to remain open.

- Teleworking must be maximized, especially for individuals at highest risk of poor outcomes, such as those over age 60 and those with chronic underlying conditions.
- Follow all State and CDC guidelines and recommendations for social distancing for staff and customers. Social distancing means remaining out of congregate settings, avoiding mass gatherings, and maintaining distance (approximately 6 feet or 2 meters) from others when possible (with the exception being healthcare workers using appropriate PPE).
- Screen all staff for symptoms and illness prior to entering worksite.
- Separate sick employees from other individuals immediately.
• Prohibit employees who have been told they must be isolated or quarantined from work until they have been cleared by DPH or a medical professional.
• Have handwashing stations and / or hand sanitizer readily available for all employees throughout the day. Staff should wash hands with warm water and soap when entering and leaving worksite.
• Enforce cough and sneeze hygiene, such as coughing into your elbow.
• Follow all State and CDC guidelines and recommendations for environmental cleaning.
• Prohibit visitors inside worksites unless they are providing essential services.

Employers must stress to employees that they are not to come to work when they are sick. We recognize that is a difficult ask – especially for small businesses – and for employees whose paychecks depend on every hour that they do work. But limiting public interactions of those who are sick is an important mitigation strategy to help limit the spread of COVID-19 in Delaware.

This is a rapidly evolving situation in Delaware, in the U.S., and across the world. Recommendations from the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the World Health Organization (WHO) are subject to frequent change.

**ESSENTIAL SERVICES SCREENING RECOMMENDATIONS FOR COVID-19 PANDEMIC**

To help protect the public against the spread of COVID-19, Governor John Carney and Delaware Division of Public Health Director Karyl T. Rattay, MD, MS, strongly recommend that all employers screen employees each day before work. Read the Essential Services Screening Policy, dated March 22, 2020

What Employers Can Urge Employees to Do to Minimize the Spread of Illness

In addition to encouraging Delawareans to get their flu shot, the Division of Public Health recommends these everyday measures to prevent the spread of all germs. This helps limit the spread of COVID-19.

• Cough or sneeze into your elbow, not your hand. If you use a tissue, dispose of it right away.
• Wash your hands frequently and thoroughly with soap and warm water, including the backs of your hands and under your nails. If you do not have access to soap and water, use an alcohol based hand sanitizer (at least 60% alcohol) until you can wash your hands.
• Do not touch your face, eyes or mouth with unwashed hands.
• Clean frequently touched surfaces at work, home or school.
• If you are sick, stay home and avoid interactions with people who are well.
• If you have an underlying chronic medical condition, consult with a health care provider about further steps you can take to protect yourself and others.
Previous:

- Bans public gatherings of 50 people or more
- Restaurant, taverns and bars are permitted for food take out and delivery orders only. The license of all on-premise licensees that serve or sell alcohol is suspended. On-Premise Licensees may only provide food and non-alcoholic beverage service through take-out, drive through and off premises delivery.
- As of 8:00 p.m. March 18th through the cancellation of the State of Emergency. Allowance to any restaurant, brewpub, tavern or taproom with a valid on-premise license to sell alcoholic beverages as a part of transactions for take-out food or drive through food service. Alcohol sales cannot exceed 40 percent of the total sales transaction. All other rules and regulations regarding the take-out of alcoholic beverages apply, containers must be securely closed. On-site consumption of alcoholic beverages is prohibited.
- No indoor or outdoor dining for food or any type of beverage service

**FLORIDA**

**Florida Department of Health**

**Florida Restaurant & Lodging Association Resources:** [https://frla.org/covid-19/](https://frla.org/covid-19/)

3/25: For updates on Florida’s 67 counties, and some major cities and towns in each. Click a county name to be linked to the most updated information about COVID-19 in that county:

3/24- per msn.news: **Orange County** mayor Jerry Demings on Tuesday ordered all county residents to **shelter in place** to stop the spread of the coronavirus.

Demings said the order takes effect Thursday at 11 p.m. and will remain in place for two weeks, until April 9 at 11 p.m.

The order excludes any essential business or entity providing essential services such as health care, food service, law enforcement and similar critical services, according to a news release.

**Miami Beach and two other Miami-Dade County municipalities along with Gainesville and Alachua County issued stay-at-home orders on Monday.**

Gov. Ron DeSantis said he’s not ready to issue statewide stay-at-home mandate. Testing remains limited and has yet to show any cases of the virus in a third of Florida counties.
3/24 Tuesday's stay-at-home order by Leon County (City of Tallahassee) Commission Chairman Bryan Desloge and Mayor John Dailey set restrictions on gatherings of more than 10 people to go into effect at 11 p.m. Wednesday. A curfew from 11 p.m. to 5 a.m. also goes into effect Wednesday.

See announcement | Read local coverage

3/20- Today, Governor Ron DeSantis issued Executive Order 20-71, directing all restaurants and food establishments within the State of Florida to suspend on-premises food and alcohol consumption for customers. The listed establishments may, however, operate their kitchens for the purpose of providing delivery or take-out services.

This Executive Order lifts the restriction that prohibits a specially licensed food service establishment from selling package sales of alcohol for delivery, take-out or consumption off-premises for restaurants complying with Executive Order 20-68, through the expiration of the state of emergency declared in Executive Order 20-52. Alcohol sales to go with food that is pick-up or delivered will be permitted and I.D. will be required for orders including alcohol.

Additionally, the Executive Order requires the closures of gymnasiums and fitness centers within the State of Florida. The Department of Business and Professional Regulation (DBPR) shall utilize its authorities under Florida law to further implement and enforce the provisions of this Executive Order and shall take additional measures as necessary to protect the public health, safety and welfare.


The city is still allowing the following:

- Essential Retail (groceries; medical care; restaurants – pick up, take out or delivery; banking)
- Religious Activities (subject to social distancing)
- Personal Support Activities (caring for family or friends)
- Essential Work (to and from businesses permitted to remain open)

GEORGIA

Georgia Department of Public Health: [http://dph.georgia.gov/](http://dph.georgia.gov/)

Georgia Restaurant Association Resources: [https://www.garestaurants.org/news/covid19](https://www.garestaurants.org/news/covid19)

Georgia Office of the Governor: [https://gov.georgia.gov/](https://gov.georgia.gov/)
3/24/2020 - Georgia Governor Brian Kemp announced an executive order closing the state’s bars and nightclubs and requiring Georgia’s most medically fragile residents to stay home.

- The order, which will take effect noon Tuesday, bans all gatherings of more than 10 people, unless a six-foot distance can be maintained between individuals. The order is set to expire at noon April 6th.
- Kemp also ordered the Department of Public Health to oversee a shelter-in-place order for those most at risk for adverse complications from COVID-19. Those groups include people in long-term care facilities, those receiving cancer treatments, those who have chronic lung disease and those who have or may have a positive COVID-19 test.


To slow the spread of coronavirus disease (COVID-19) and reduce the number of people infected, DPH recommends that organizers of events that draw more than 50 people cancel, postpone or modify these events or offer online streaming services until further notice. Follow CDC Guidance for Mass Gatherings and Other Community Events.

These events include large gatherings where people are in close contact (less than 6 feet), such as concerts, conferences, sporting events, faith-based events, and other large gatherings.

Handwashing Poster

Novel Coronavirus Prevention Poster

COVID-19 Guidance for Restaurants

ATLANTA

City of Atlanta website: https://www.atlantaga.gov/

COVID-19 Administrative and Executive Orders:

- Stay at Home Order – effective March 24th at midnight - Executive Order Number 2020-21
- Restaurants, Bars and other Public Gatherings - Executive Order Number 2020-08
- Public Gathering Limit - Executive Order Number 20202-07

Keep Track of How the Coronavirus Is Impacting Atlanta’s Food Scene (Eater Atlanta)

Atlanta Restaurants Closing Temporarily or Operating at Reduced Capacity (Eater Atlanta)

Atlanta Restaurants Temporarily Offering Curbside Pick-Up and Delivery (Eater Atlanta)

Atlanta restaurants now allowed to sell alcohol on-the-go
All restaurants in the City of Atlanta are operating under a to-go only policy after Atlanta Mayor Keisha Lance Bottoms signed an executive order on Thursday closing all restaurant dining rooms. After news of the order broke, the restaurant community reached out her on Twitter to advocate for the ability to also sell alcohol, a big revenue driver for the industry.

Now, restaurants with licenses are going to temporarily be able to allow alcoholic beverages to leave the premises. The order mention wine and/or malt beverages but not liquor. The exemption will only last through the emergency declaration she previously signed in response to the COVID-19 pandemic and will not exceed 60 days.

ATHENS

Athens-Clark County website: [https://www.athensclarkecounty.com/](https://www.athensclarkecounty.com/)

3/25 - Athens-Clarke County is currently under a local emergency declaration in order to help slow the spread of coronavirus in the community until April 7, 2020.

- Residents are required to shelter-in-place 24/7 aside from essential activities, essential governmental functions, or to operate essential businesses (as defined in the ordinance).
- Social distancing is required to the maximum extent possible when outdoors or using shared spaces, which includes maintaining a six-foot distance from others.

Final Approved Ordinance:


- [A guide to Athens delivery, takeout, other services to support local during coronavirus](https://www.athensclarkecounty.com/) (Athens Banner-Herald)

BROOKHAVEN

Brookhaven website: [https://www.brookhavenga.gov/](https://www.brookhavenga.gov/)

3/25 - All Brookhaven residents are instructed and directed to remain at home unless engaged in essential services, performing essential government services, or to operate essential businesses.

- The City of Brookhaven has compiled information as it pertains to public health guidelines from the Governor’s Office, Board of Health, and Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, and government response. [www.BrookhavenGA.gov/COVID19](http://www.BrookhavenGA.gov/COVID19)

Brookhaven Mayor John Ernst called a Special Called Meeting of the City Council for the purpose of an emergency declaration and suspending dine-in service for all Brookhaven restaurants and alcohol-serving establishments.
While restaurant dine-in and counter services are suspended until March 30, delivery and takeout services are still allowed by establishments which are properly permitted and offer those services. In addition to food and beverage sales, any venue that provides on-premises entertainment is also suspended, whether or not food or beverages are sold.

For updated City information and resources, visit [www.BrookhavenGA.gov/covid19](http://www.BrookhavenGA.gov/covid19)

**COLUMBUS**

Columbus GA website: [https://www.columbusga.gov/](https://www.columbusga.gov/)

3/25 - Mayor B.H. “Skip” Henderson III has issued the attached Declaration of Local Emergency. This order follows the Center for Disease Control’s latest guidance that people should not gather in groups of ten (10) or more with certain exceptions such as grocery stores, pharmacies, and medical facilities. It provides for the closing of public restaurants except for take-out service, the closing of bars, gymnasiums and other indoor recreational facilities, and body care salons of all types. Additional restrictions are imposed on other retail establishments depending on their square footage and ability to provide social distancing. These restrictions shall extend until April 3, 2020.


*Columbus restaurants offer home delivery, to-go orders to limit coronavirus spread* *(Ledger-Inquirer)*

**DEKALB**

Dekalb County Updates: [https://www.dekalbcountyga.gov/](https://www.dekalbcountyga.gov/)

3/25 - In the interest of public health and safety, the executive order outlines, among other restrictions, the following:

- All public gatherings of 10 or more people are prohibited.
- All individuals are asked to shelter in place as much as possible and participate in a voluntary curfew beginning at 9 p.m. and ending at 6 a.m., excepting trips to and from work, for medical treatment, food, medication or emergency.
- There shall be no dine-in service at any restaurant, brewery or bar. Establishments may provide take-out service. Any establishment licensed for on-premises consumption of alcoholic beverages may sell unopened beverages curbside or to take-out customers.

DeKalb CEO Thurmond Issues State of Emergency Executive Order

Information about Social Distancing:


MACON

3/25 - All non-essential businesses will be closed according to an emergency declaration made by Macon-Bibb mayor Robert Reichert. This runs through April 6th unless extended by a subsequent order.

Here’s what else is included in the emergency declaration:

- Bars shall be closed.
- Restaurants shall close to the public except to provide takeout, delivery, drive-thru or curbside service.
- All other retail will be permitted to stay open AS LONG AS steps are taken to ensure customers and employees are not within 6 feet of each other and that employees do not work if they are showing symptoms or living with someone with is.

Macon Updates: Downtown Macon restaurants offering curbside pick-up (The Telegraph)

SAVANNAH

Savannah Updates: https://www.savannahga.gov/

- All bars and nightclubs are closed.
- Restaurants and other food establishments where food is served must reduce seating capacity by 50% for dine-in services.
- Restaurants and other food establishments may continue preparing and offering food and drinks to customers via delivery service, drive-through or take-out.

Shelter At Home Order: https://www.savannahga.gov/DocumentCenter/View/18659/Shelter-At-home-Order?bidId=


Savannah restaurants go curbside during COVID-19 pandemic (Savannah Now)

Savannah Mayor Van Johnson has issued a shelter in home order for everyone living in the city limits to help combat the coronavirus outbreak. The order goes into effect at 11:59 p.m. Tuesday and is expected to end April 8, unless changes need to be made.
HAWAII

Hawaii Department of Public Health: http://hawaii.gov/health/

Hawaii Restaurant Association: https://hawaiirestaurant.org/

Hawaii Governor: https://governor.hawaii.gov/contact-us/

3/24: per msn.news: A sweeping “stay-at-home” order goes into effect statewide (in Hawaii) Wednesday at 12:01 a.m. as part of an aggressive push to stop the spread of coronavirus in the islands. The mandate continues through April 30.


Previous:

- The City and County of Honolulu has mandated the closure of restaurants, parks and nightclubs for indoor service beginning 8:30 a.m. on Friday, March 20. Restaurant take-out, curb-side pick-up and delivery will be allowed.
- The County of Kaua’i issued an island wide nighttime curfew beginning Friday, March 20. The curfew will be in effect from 9 p.m. through 5 a.m. daily until further notice. Individuals must remain in their residence during these specified hours, with a few exceptions.
- The County of Maui announced rules that will be in effect beginning 7:45 a.m. on Friday, March 20, limiting the gathering of groups of people and curtailing vehicular transportation except for essential activities or operation of essential business or government functions. Restaurants and cafes that serve food within the premises are required to close; however, take-out and delivery service may continue.
- Hawai’i County issued guidance that restaurants, bars and places of worship may make their own decisions to open or close, and consider ways to minimize risk to customers and employees.

IOWA

Iowa Health Department: https://idph.iowa.gov/Emerging-Health-Issues/Novel-Coronavirus

Iowa Restaurant Association: https://restaurantiowa.com/

3/17- Governor Kim Reynolds has issued a State of Public Health Disaster Emergency. All Iowa restaurants and bars must suspend on premise service as of 11:59 a.m. today. Carry out and delivery will be allowed.

The State now requires the closure of all bars, and limits restaurant activity to drive-through, carry-out, and delivery services only through 11:59 p.m. on March 31, 2020.
Mass Gathering: Social, community, spiritual, religious, recreational, leisure, and sporting gatherings and events of more than 10 people are hereby prohibited at all locations and venues.

IDAHO


Idaho Lodging & Restaurant Association: https://www.ilra.org/

3/25/2020 Governor Brad Little announced a statewide stay at home order effective immediately and will last for at least 21 days. All residents of Idaho must self-isolate and stay in and work from home as much as possible unless working in an essential business. Residents may leave their home to obtain or provide essential services. Limit all non-essential gatherings of any number of individuals outside the household. All non-essential travel must cease. Drive-thru, carry-outs and delivery are still permitted. More specific details will be listed here.


Blaine County Resources: https://www.co.blaine.id.us/CivicAlerts.aspx?AID=165

Local Food Resources During COVID-19: https://www.localfoodalliance.org/post/local-food-resources-during-covid-19

Boise limited to takeout and delivery: https://www.cityofboise.org/departments/mayor/coronavirus-covid-19-information/#Restaurants

ILLINOIS

Illinois Department of Public Health: http://www.idph.state.il.us/home.htm


Illinois Governor: https://www2.illinois.gov/sites/gov/Pages/default.aspx
3/23- From the Illinois Restaurant Association:

**Essential Employee Template Letter - Share with Your Teams**

As the state of Illinois has designated restaurants as Essential Businesses during the COVID-19 crisis, foodservice workers may need documentation to identify themselves as essential employees to authorities when traveling to or from work. [Click here](#) to download a template essential employee letter that can be used for your restaurant.

**IDPH Foodservice FAQs**- The Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH) has issued interim guidance to provide information on COVID-19 prevention in various food service operations and address the Governor's Office mandate. The guidance addresses questions about monitoring employees, buffet operations, food courts, and more. [Click here](#) to read through the FAQs.

**Off-Premise Best Practices**- [Click here](#) for tips on how to optimize menu changes, packaging, communication methods, workstation setups, payment options, and more for off-premise business.

3/20 - Stay at home order statewide in effect at 5 PM 3/21, restaurants can continue takeout and delivery: [https://www2.illinois.gov/Documents/ExecOrders/2020/ExecutiveOrder-2020-10.pdf](https://www2.illinois.gov/Documents/ExecOrders/2020/ExecutiveOrder-2020-10.pdf)

Update March 16 - State of Illinois Executive Order: "To-Go", Carry Out, Take Out Permitted

Governor Pritzker has issued an official Executive Order that mandates the closure of on premise dining in Illinois restaurants. Due to the advocacy of the IRA, the Executive Order clarifies that "to-go", carry out, and take out will be permitted at Illinois restaurants. [Click here](#) to read the text of the Executive Order. Read the paragraph related to restaurants below:

"Beginning March 16, 2020 at 9:00 p.m. through March 30, 2020, all businesses in the State of Illinois that offer food or beverages for on-premises consumption—including restaurants, bars, grocery stores, and food halls—must suspend service for and may not permit on-premises consumption. Such businesses are permitted and encouraged to serve food and beverages so that they may be consumed off-premises, as currently permitted by law, through means such as in-house delivery, third-party delivery, drive-through, and curbside pick-up. In addition, customers may enter the premises to purchase food or beverages for carry-out. However, establishments offering food or beverages for carryout, including food trucks, must ensure that they have an environment where patrons maintain adequate social distancing. Businesses located in airports, hospitals, and dining halls in colleges and universities are exempt from the requirements of this Executive Order. Hotel restaurants may continue to provide room service and carryout. Catering services may continue."

Additional operational guidelines are expected from the state of Illinois soon. We will share this information as soon as it is available.
CHICAGO


City of Chicago Issues Guidance for Restaurants and Bars

**Potential COVID-19 Exposure in the Workplace**

The Chicago Department of Public Health (CDPH) has issued updated COVID-19 guidance for businesses and employers.

Included in the guidance are measures to be taken if a staff member, contractor, or a client tests positive for COVID-19 and exposed others in the workplace. [Click here](https://www.chicago.gov/city/en/sites/covid-19/home.html) to read more.

3/16- Following Governor Pritzker's Executive Order, the city of Chicago has issued [additional guidance](https://www.chicago.gov/city/en/sites/covid-19/home.html) for restaurants and bars. Effective tonight, and lasting through March 30th, all restaurants and bars must cease their regular operations and follow updated guidelines:

- The consumption of food or beverage is not permitted inside a restaurant or bar
- Congregation of any kind is not permitted inside or outside a restaurant or bar
- Drive-thru, delivery and carry out or curbside pick-up can continue, with the restaurant owner responsible to ensure social distancing policies are in place and followed.
- [Click here](https://www.chicago.gov/city/en/sites/covid-19/home.html) to read the notice and FAQs from the Department of Business Affairs and Consumer Protection (BACP).

INDIANA

Indiana State Department of Health: [https://www.in.gov/coronavirus/](https://www.in.gov/coronavirus/)

**Indiana Restaurant & Lodging Association Coronavirus Resources:** [https://www.inrla.org/page/coronavirus](https://www.inrla.org/page/coronavirus)

Governor Holcomb order all bars, nightclubs and restaurants in the state of Indiana to close all in-person services until March 31, 2020.

- Restaurants can provide take-out, drive thru and delivery services.
- Non-essential in-person meetings will be limited to 50 persons or less

Safety Guidance (updated 3/20/ Food 2020)
Grocery store operating hours during the coronavirus pandemic


On Monday, 3/23 - Gov. Eric J. Holcomb told Hoosiers to stay at home starting March 25 until at least April 7. Executive orders

- The order, issued during a Monday news conference, asks all Hoosiers to refrain from anything outside of essential travel. The order is not a complete lockdown and still allows residents to leave their homes for work, medical care, buying groceries and other activities essential to the health and safety of people and pets. Essential businesses will remain open and are defined by the state as businesses that include but are not limited to grocery stores, pharmacies, gas stations, police stations, fire stations, hospitals, doctor’s offices, health care facilities, garbage pickup, public transit and public service hotlines.

Indianapolis and Marion County Community Resources: https://www.indy.gov/topic/covid

KANSAS

Kansas Department of Health and Environment: https://govstatus.egov.com/coronavirus

Kansas Restaurant & Hospitality Association: https://www.krha.org/page/COVID19

New Stay at Home orders include counties: Sedgwick and Atchinson county effective 12:01 am Wednesday March 25, Doniphan and Shawnee county effective 12:01 a.m. Thursday March 26, 2020

Leavenworth county Stay at Home order effective Tuesday March 24, 2020 through April 23, 2020. The Order directs all residents to remain in their home except to conduct Essential Activity

The entire state of Kansas has been authorized to close all dine-in restaurant, bars, and theaters for 15 days as of March 16th.

- Restaurants may still offer food deliveries, pick up for carry-outs and drive-thru services

- Alcohol licensee may make curbside sales to customers with all existing provisions of the Kansas Liquor Control Act, for the duration of this policy only:

- Drinking establishments and class A clubs, class B clubs may sell bottles of beer or wine curbside, in accordance with the provisions of K.S.A. 41-2653. For the duration of this policy only,
beer or wine sold in this fashion needs to be opened on the licensed premises and properly sealed, but does not need to be partially consumed on the licensed premises.

- To accommodate these curbside sales, the licensee shall designate specific “to-go” parking stalls or similar locations, which must all be located within a 50-foot radius of the entrance to their licensed premises.

- Sales of any kind (i.e. payment or delivery of alcoholic liquor) occurring outside of this 50-foot radius are strictly prohibited.

- Ban on public gatherings of more than 10 people. (Exceptions are of governmental/judicial functions, healthcare facilities, private business operations religions and faith-based activities, weddings and funerals)

- Mass gatherings are suggested to either cancel or postpone in person events that consist of 50 people or more.

Per the executive order by Governor Kelly, restaurants, bars and retail food establishments (grocery stores, convenience stores) are required to:

- Preserve social distancing of 6 feet between tables, booths, bar stools and ordering counters.
- Cease self-service of unpackaged food, such as in salad bars or buffets.

Signage

COVID-19 (2019 Novel Coronavirus) Fact Sheet

Johnson County: Johnson County Department of Public Health: https://www.jocogov.org/dept/health-and-environment/locations-hours

Johnson County Government has implemented a number of mitigation strategies to lessen the spread of the virus. Dr. Joseph LeMaster, JCDHE health officer, ordered the closing of restaurants, bars, taverns, clubs and movie theaters for 15 days, with the exception of carry-out, delivery and drive-throughs. Dr. LeMaster also limited the number of people at public gatherings to ten. These orders will be modified as necessary.

Douglas County: Lawrence-Douglas County Department of Public Health: https://ldchealth.org/

- Douglas County’s health officer has ordered all restaurants, dining facilities, bars, taverns, night clubs and movie theaters closed to the public as a proactive social distancing measure in light of the spreading coronavirus.
- An order from health officer, Dr. Thomas Marcellino prohibits public gatherings of more than 10 people. Both measures will be in effect until at least April 1, 2020.
3/22 - Douglas County Health Officer issues ‘Stay at Home’ order.

Douglas County Health Officer Dr. Thomas Marcellino has issued a “Stay at Home” order as the Douglas County community continues with efforts to slow the spread of COVID-19. Grocery stores, pharmacies, gas stations and healthcare facilities will remain open, as residents are ordered to remain home except for essential needs.


Shawnee County: Shawnee County Department of Public Health:  http://www.snco.us/hd/

All restaurants, dining facilities, bars, taverns, clubs and movie theatres in Shawnee County are hereby ordered closed to the public effective at 12:01 a.m. on Thursday, March 19, 2020 until further notice. Any such establishment may continue to provide carryout, drive-through and delivery food and beverage services.

Health Officer Order Businesses

PUBLIC HEALTH ORDER FOR HOME QUARANTINE:

Wyandotte County: Wyandotte County Department of Public Health: https://www.wycokck.org/Health.aspx

- The Unified Government of Wyandotte County/Kansas City, Kansas met and agreed to implement measures to close restaurants, bars, taverns, clubs and movie theaters in their jurisdictions as of 12:01 a.m. on March 17, 2020 for 15 days. Exceptions are delivery, pickup and drive-through service. The jurisdictions will revisit the decision on April 1 with an evaluation of conditions at that time.
- The county has also decided to ban public gatherings of more than 10 people. Exceptions include governmental and judicial functions, healthcare facilities, private business operations, religious and faith-based activities, weddings and funerals.

KENTUCKY


Kentucky Restaurant Association Resources: [https://kyra.org/](https://kyra.org/)

Governor Beshear announced the closing of all restaurants and bars to onsite dining and drinking. Drive-thru, takeout and delivery service are permitted beginning at 5:00 p.m. March 16th statewide.

Effective Thursday March 26, 2020 at 8:00 p.m Kentuckians are encouraged to remain at home and limit the in-person contact. [Expanded Executive Order 3.25.2020](https://governor.ky.gov/attachments/20200319_Order_Permitting-Carryout-and-Drive-Thru-Sales.pdf)

Governor Andy Beshear order effective March 23, 2020 at 8:00 p.m., states all in person retail businesses that are not life sustaining are order to close. Order will remain in effect for the duration of the State of Emergency or until Executive Order is rescinded or by operation of law. [Executive Order](https://governor.ky.gov/attachments/20200319_Order_Mass-Gatherings.pdf)

Social distancing of six feet for patrons and employees in carryout, delivery and drive-thru services.

Restaurants that have an active liquor license, that are also doing food delivery or carry out, may also deliver sealed alcoholic beverages in their original containers to customers.


All mass gatherings are hereby prohibited. [https://governor.ky.gov/attachments/20200319_Order_Mass-Gatherings.pdf](https://governor.ky.gov/attachments/20200319_Order_Mass-Gatherings.pdf)


LOUISIANA

Louisiana health department: [http://ldh.la.gov/Coronavirus/](http://ldh.la.gov/Coronavirus/)

Louisiana Restaurant Association: [https://www.lra.org/](https://www.lra.org/)

On March 22, 2020, Governor John Bel Edwards issued a stay at home order for Louisiana residents. All individuals within the state are under a general stay at home order and are directed to stay at home unless they are performing an essential activity. This includes obtaining food, medicine, and other similar goods necessary for the individual or a family member of the individual. This order is valid through April 13, 2020. [https://gov.louisiana.gov/assets/Proclamations/2020/JBE-33-2020.pdf](https://gov.louisiana.gov/assets/Proclamations/2020/JBE-33-2020.pdf)

Previous: Governor Edwards announced, effective statewide as of midnight March 16, 2020 through April 13th statewide or until further notice

- Size of gatherings to fewer than 50 people
- Closing of casinos, bars and movie theaters
Restaurants may only permit to have food delivered take-outs and drive through orders. No on premise dining allowed

- The quick-service or fast-casual establishments can only offer "drive-thru" service but can be extended to 24 hours if they so choose.
- Operators will post notice to patrons that when they depart to please consider returning home.
- Operators will encourage no public gatherings in any area.
- Tour groups will be limited to groups of no more than seven (7) at a time.

On March 16, 2020 The Louisiana Office of Alcohol and Tobacco Control drafted new rules for to-go alcohol sales. On a temporary basis, ATC will allow restaurant permit holders to sell or offer for sale pre-packaged beer and/or wine through drive through or curbside pickup. Any restaurant intending to offer delivery of food with beer or wine by their own employees may submit to the ATC an application for alcohol delivery.

New Orleans:
In addition to the statewide restrictions:

- Dine-in services prohibited, food delivery, takeout and drive-thru services are permitted
- Bars, movie theaters, casinos and event venues closed
- All non-essential gatherings prohibited
- Grocery stores, banks, gas stations and pharmacies, alongside other necessary businesses such as healthcare offices, will be allowed to remain open, but NOPD officers will work to prevent loitering at those businesses.
- NOPD Superintendent Shaun Ferguson said the NOPD would be enforcing the closures, threatening that any business that did not comply would be referred to the city's permits division.
- Both public and private gatherings are asked to be cancelled, but if impossible should be no larger than 50 people in size


- Any restaurant, bar or establishment that offers food or drink shall not permit on premise consumption of food or drink, provided that such establishment may continue to offer food for take-out and by delivery provided that they offer the social distancing protocols set forth by the Department of Public Health guidance. This will remain in effect until April 5th, 2020
- Gathering of more than 25 people is prohibited
- City of Boston, Grocery stores or pharmacies won’t be affected by the rules

On March 23, 2020 Governor Charlie Baker issued an emergency order requiring all businesses and organizations that do not provide “COVID-19 Essential Services” to close their physical workplaces and
facilities to workers, customers and the public as of Tuesday, March 24th at noon until Tuesday, April 7th at noon. Restaurants, bars, and other establishments that sell food and beverage products to the public are encouraged to continue to offer food for take-out and by delivery if they follow the social distancing protocols set forth in Department of Public Health guidance. On-premises consumption of food or drink is prohibited. Click here to read the order.

**MAINE**

State of Maine Department of Health and Human Services: [https://www.maine.gov/dhhs/](https://www.maine.gov/dhhs/)


3/24 Governor Janet Mills issued an order effective 12:01 March 25, 2020 through April 8, 2020 unless amended, rescinded or renewed. Order states all Non-Essential Businesses and Operations must cease activities at sites that are public facing and allow customer, vendor or other in-person contact or are at sites that require more than 10 workers where social distancing is not possible. Order Regarding Essential Business

Governor Mills mandates a statewide restaurant closure HM will suggest that all restaurants transition to take out and curbside pickup. [COVID-19 Guidelines](https://www.hospitalitymaine.com/blogpost/1720490/HM-COVID-19-Updates). All restaurants and bars are mandated to close beginning the evening of Wednesday March 18 revised through April 8, 2020 for all dine-in customers.

Bars and restaurants permitted to sale beer and wine in the original manufactures sealed containers. Beverages will not include spirits products.

Beverages sold must be accompanied by a food order. The Food requirement is based upon the type of liquor license issued by the Bureau. Consumption on premises is prohibited

**MARYLAND**

Maryland Public Health Department: [https://health.maryland.gov/pages/home.aspx](https://health.maryland.gov/pages/home.aspx)

Restaurant Association of Maryland: [https://www.marylandrestaurants.com/](https://www.marylandrestaurants.com/)

Per Restaurant Association of Maryland: **March 23, 2020: 11:15am**

Governor Hogan just announced the closure of all non-essential businesses. RESTAURANTS ARE ESSENTIAL BUSINESSES AND ARE PERMITTED TO STAY OPEN! Maryland citizens have been ordered to stay home and avoid crowds; however, people are permitted to travel to restaurants for carryout and drive-thru services.

Previous: Gov. Larry Hogan announced throughout the state of Maryland the closure of all bars, dine-in restaurants, effective at 5 p.m. Monday March 16th. Food take-outs, drive thru, delivery and curbside
pickup are still permitted until further notice. No more than 50 people gathered in one place at any time is allowed until further notice.

**MICHIGAN**

**Michigan Health Department:** [https://www.michigan.gov/coronavirus](https://www.michigan.gov/coronavirus)

**Michigan Restaurant Association Resources:** [https://www.mrla.org/coronavirus.html](https://www.mrla.org/coronavirus.html)

On March 23, 2020, Governor Gretchen Whitmer issued an executive order requiring all Michigan residents and most businesses to stay in their homes to slow the spread of coronavirus COVID-19. **Executive Order 2020-21** prohibits all businesses and operations from requiring workers to leave their homes unless those workers are necessary to sustain or protect life or to conduct minimum basic operations. Businesses must determine which of their workers are necessary to conduct minimum basic operations. Restaurants will still be allowed to provide take-out options. Whitmer previously ordered the temporary suspension of all dine-in services. This order takes effect on March 24, 2020 at 12:01 am, and continues through April 13, 2020 at 11:59 pm.

Previous: Governor Gretchen Whitmer announced, beginning no later than March 16, 2020 at 3:00 pm, and continuing until March 30, 2020 at 11:59 pm, the following places of public accommodation are closed:

- Restaurants, food courts, cafes, coffeehouses, and other places of public accommodation offering food or beverage for on-premises consumption;
- Bars, taverns, brew pubs, breweries, microbreweries, distilleries, wineries, tasting rooms, special licensees, clubs, and other places of public accommodation offering alcoholic beverages for on-premises consumption; (c) Hookah bars, cigar bars, and vaping lounges offering their products for on-premises consumption;
- Casinos licensed by the Michigan Gaming Control Board, racetracks licensed by the Michigan Gaming Control Board, and Millionaire Parties licensed by the Michigan Gaming Control Board; and Places of public amusement not otherwise listed above. Places of public accommodation subject to this section are encouraged to offer food and beverage using delivery service, window service, walk-up service, drive-through service, or drive-up service, and to use precautions in doing so to mitigate the potential transmission of COVID-19, including social distancing.
- In offering food or beverage, a place of public accommodation subject to this section may permit up to five members of the public at one time in the place of public accommodation for the purpose of picking up their food or beverage orders, so long as those individuals are at least six feet apart from one another while on premises.
City of Lansing:

Beginning at 3:00 p.m. Monday March 16. The closures of bars and restaurants for on premises dining at least a few weeks. Carryout and delivery is still allowed.

Grand Rapids:

Closures begin Monday March 16th until 11:59 p.m. March 30 for dine in restaurants, bars and public places: Restaurants; Cafes; Coffee houses; Bars; Taverns; Brewpubs; Distilleries; Clubs; Movie theaters; However, under the order, takeout, delivery, drive-thru and drive-up services will still be allowed. Restaurants may have five people inside at a time to pick up carryout orders, so long as customers stay six feet apart from each other.

MINNESOTA

Minnesota Department of Health: https://www.health.state.mn.us/

Hospitality Minnesota Resources: https://www.hospitalityminnesota.com/

3/25/2020 Governor Walz announced today a stay at home order effective Friday March 27th at 11:59 until at least April 10th. Residents can still leave their home for essential health and safety activities. Dine-in restaurants and bars closures have been extended to May 1st. Updated Governor's order 3 25 2020

Governor Walz ordered a statewide temporary partial closure of dine in restaurants, bars and places of public accommodation and amusement, such as fitness centers and movie theaters by 5:00 p.m. March 17th through at least Friday March 27th. Governor Executive Orders

- Restaurant delivery, drive-thru and curbside pickups are permitted.
- Some grocers will have selected hours (7 a.m. to 8 a.m.) for shoppers who are at a higher risk of severe illness. Those shoppers are older adults and those who have compromised immune systems.

MISSOURI

Missouri Department of Health & Senior Services: https://health.mo.gov/

Missouri Restaurant Association: https://www.morestaurants.org/

3/23: Director Warren Robinson announced that Jefferson County has adopted the Stay at Home Order effective 12:01 a.m. March 24, 2020 through 11:59 p.m. April 23, 2020. Within this order, residents will still be able to perform essential task for the health and safety of their household. Food delivery, carry-outs and drive-thru are still allowed. Stay at Home Order
3/21: St. Louis Stay at Home order is in effect from 6:00 p.m. on March 23, 2020 through 6:00 p.m. on April 22, 2020 or until it is extended, rescinded, superseded or amended in writing by Fredrick Echols, M.D, Director of Health & Hospitals/Health Commissioner. Stay at Home order

3/21: GOVERNOR PARSON CLOSES DINING ROOMS, LIMITS SOCIAL GATHERINGS TO TEN


In accordance with the guidelines from the President and the Centers of Disease Control and Prevention, every person in the State of Missouri shall avoid social gatherings of more than ten (10) people. For purposes of this Order, “social gatherings” shall mean any planned or spontaneous event or convening that would bring together more than ten (10) people in a single space at the same time.

2. In accordance with the guidelines from the President and the Centers of Disease Control and Prevention, every person in the State of Missouri shall avoid eating or drinking at restaurants, bars, or food courts; provided, however, that the use of drive-thru, pickup, or delivery options is allowed throughout the duration of this Order.

This Order does not prohibit people from visiting a variety of places, including grocery stores, gas stations, parks, and banks, so long as necessary precautions are taken and maintained to reduce the transmission of COVID-19, including maintaining at least six feet (6’) of distance between all individuals that are not family members.

For offices and workplaces that remain open, individuals shall practice good hygiene and, where feasible, work from home in order to achieve optimum isolation from COVID-19. The more that people reduce their public contact, the sooner COVID-19 will be contained and the sooner this Order will expire.

The Order will take effect beginning 12:01 A.M. Monday, March 23, 2020 and remain in effect until 12:01 A.M. Monday, April 6, 2020 unless extended by further order of the Director of the Department of Health and Senior Services with said extensions not to exceed the duration of the effective period of Executive Order 20 - 02 (May 15, 2020).

As of 3/23 the following counties/cities under stay at home orders: Cass, Douglas, Clay, Platte, Kansas City, St. Louis city and county, Jackson.
Vicksburg and Warren County city officials held a press conference to discuss ongoing efforts to prevent the spread of COVID-19 on Sunday afternoon, March 22nd.

3/24 Governor Tate Reeves issued an executive statewide order restricting dine-in service operations, and restaurants may only offer food service to drive-thru, carryout and delivery. The restriction is effective until April 17

The city’s curfew will be in place from 11 p.m. until 5 a.m. for at least 14 days beginning Monday. People will not be allowed in public streets or places unless they are traveling to or from work.

First responders and law enforcement are exempt from the curfew.

The mayor also ordered social distancing throughout the city, meaning people should stay at least six feet away from others “to the extent possible.”

During the emergency, funeral services are recommended to be held on the property of a funeral home or in the City of Vicksburg Auditorium. Services should be held at 11 a.m. or 2 p.m. with 50 people or fewer, the mayor said.

Other places of public gathering should limit gatherings to 10 people or fewer.

The mayor ordered that bars, nightclubs, lounges and taverns close, except to provide takeout, pickup and delivery food. These businesses are not allowed to have more than 10 employees and 10 customers indoors at any time and must be closed from 11 p.m. to 5 a.m.

Liquor stores can only provide curbside delivery and have no more than 10 employees inside at one time.

Under the order, barbershops, beauty shops and nail salons cannot have more than 10 employees and 10 customers inside at one time. They must also close by 6 p.m.

Anyone who violates the order faces a misdemeanor charge and a fine up to $1,000.

City of Jackson and the City of Natchez have imposed a dine-in restriction, take-out and delivery only. City of Hattiesburg has limited gatherings of 50. Nothing statewide at this time.
March 24, 2020: Governor Steve Bullock issued a directive extending closures and updating social distancing requirements and guidance. Non-essential social and recreational gatherings of individuals outside of a home or place of residence of greater than 10 people are prohibited immediately, if a distance of 6 feet between individuals cannot be maintained.

- Effective March 28, 2020 through April 10, 2020, the following places are to remain closed to ingress, egress, use, and occupancy by members of the public: restaurants, food courts, cafes, coffeehouses, and other similar establishments offering food or beverage for on-premises consumption, alcoholic beverage service businesses, including bars, taverns, brew pubs, breweries, microbreweries, distilleries, wineries, tasting rooms, special licensees, clubs, and other establishments offering alcoholic beverages for on-premises consumption.
- These places are permitted and encouraged to offer food and beverage using delivery service, window service, walk-up service, drive-through service, or drive-up service, and to use precautions in doing so to mitigate the potential transmission of COVID-19.


NEBRASKA

State of Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services: http://dhhs.ne.gov/Pages/default.aspx

State of Nebraska Restaurant Association: https://www.nebraska-dining.org/

State of Nebraska Governor’s Office: https://governor.nebraska.gov/


Restaurants and bars must limit to 10 people and are strongly encouraged to move to drive-thru/takeout only through the end of March. These establishments should practice social distancing – seating
customers apart from one another – whenever possible. The situation will continue to be monitored and restaurants should watch closely for updates.

March 19, 2020: Governor Pete Ricketts announced a Directed Health Measure for the counties of Cass, Douglas, Sarpy, and Washington. The DHM requires restaurants and bars in these areas to close their dining areas immediately and move to takeout service, delivery, and/or curbside service until further notice.

March 19, 2020: Executive Order 20-06. Restaurants and bars across the state will continue to serve Nebraskans by altering their customary operations in order to provide takeout, delivery, curbside and drive-thru service operations. Restaurants and bars temporarily have the ability to sell alcohol along with food take-out or delivery orders. Stores and restaurants can utilize drive-thru windows or curb-side to go pick-up procedures for the sale of alcohol.

LINCOLN

The Lincoln-Lancaster County Health Department updated its guidance for public gatherings and events to limit the spread of the coronavirus and the disease it causes, COVID-19. LLCHD is not making decisions regarding cancelling or postponing events. However, the health department is now recommending that the size of events and public gatherings be limited to no more than 50 people.

OMAHA

The diagnosis of the second case of COVID-19 by community spread in Douglas County prompted new actions on Wednesday, March 18, 2020, including the immediate order to close Omaha bars and restaurants until April 30, 2020. Takeout, drive-through windows, and delivery will still be allowed.

NEVADA

Nevada Department of Health and Human Services: http://dhhs.nv.gov/

Nevada Restaurant Association Coronavirus Information: https://www.nvrestaurants.com/coronavirus.html

State of Nevada Governor’s Office: http://gov.nv.gov/

Governor Stephen Sisolak announced that restaurants/bars can stay open providing they limit to 50 percent capacity and follow social distancing.
March 20, 2020: Food establishments open to the Nevada general public shall only serve customers through a take-out, drive-through, curbside pickup, or delivery capacity. Onsite dining was ordered to cease effective at 11:59 pm on March 20, 2020. Click here to read the order.

Reno

As a follow up to the City of Reno’s emergency declaration, Reno Mayor Hillary Schieve is ordering temporary mandatory closures of bars, nightclubs, gyms and restaurants (except takeout/delivery/drive through and pick up services) in the city until April 5, 2020 unless extended. Schieve made the announcement during a press conference held at Reno City Hall. Those businesses should begin the process of winding down operations starting with the goal of closing by Friday, March 20, 2020 at 5 p.m.

NEW HAMPSHIRE

New Hampshire Health Department: https://www.dhhs.nh.gov/

New Hampshire Lodging & Restaurant Association Coronavirus information: https://www.nhlra.com/covid-19-resources.html

State of New Hampshire Governor’s Office: https://www.governor.nh.gov/

Governor Sununu announced on March 16, 2020 that all restaurants and bars in New Hampshire will be required to serve patrons by takeout, delivery and drive-thru methods only. This ban will remain in place until April 7, 2020. Click here to read the official press release.


On March 18, 2020, Governor Sununu signed Executive Order 6 allowing all restaurants, diners, bars, saloons, private clubs, or any other establishment that have both a restaurant license and an on premise license from the New Hampshire Liquor Commission to temporarily allow takeout or delivery of beer or wine. This order shall remain in effect until Monday, April 6, 2020.

NEW JERSEY

New Jersey Department of Health: https://www.nj.gov/health/

New Jersey Restaurant & Hospitality Association Coronavirus information: https://www.njrha.org/coronavirus.html

State of New Jersey Governor’s Office: https://nj.gov/governor/
March 21, 2020: Executive Order 107. All New Jersey residents shall remain home or at their place of residence. Residents are still allowed to obtain goods and services from essential retail businesses and obtain takeout food or beverages from restaurants, other dining establishments, or food courts.

Previous: On March 16, 2020, Governor Phil Murphy signed Executive Order 104 implementing aggressive social distancing measures to mitigate further spread of COVID-19 in New Jersey. All restaurant establishments, with or without a liquor license, are limited to offering only delivery and/or take-out services only, both during daytime and after 8pm. 

JERSEY CITY: City of Jersey City Executive Order on Curfew: https://www.jerseycitynj.gov/news/curfew_on_liquor_establishments_to_control_crowds
Effective immediately, Mayor Steven M. Fulop is implementing a precautionary 10pm curfew for all Jersey City establishments carrying a liquor license in an effort to reduce large uncontrolled crowd turnout as a preventative measure to reduce exposing the public to the pandemic COVID-19. Further measures outlined in the Executive Order include a requirement for all establishments with allowable public capacity greater than 25 people – such as restaurants, places of worship, and special event venues – to maintain a record of all individuals entering the establishment through a sign-in sheet with information to be used solely for the purpose of preventing the spread of COVID-19 by providing means of notification of potential exposure, if necessary.

Paterson
Mayor Andre Sayegh declared a state of emergency in the city of Paterson. Mandatory closures/limitations will go into effect as of 6pm on March 16, 2020. Restaurants may remain open for takeout, delivery, and drive-through services only; no sit-down services may be rendered.

NEW MEXICO

New Mexico Department of Health: https://nmhealth.org/

New Mexico Restaurant Association Coronavirus Information: https://www.nmrestaurants.org/coronavirus-resources/

State of New Mexico Governor’s Office: https://www.governor.state.nm.us/

The public health order issued March 19, 2020 by Department of Health Secretary Kathy Kunkel temporarily strengthens earlier orders to include additional mandatory closures and guidelines to limit the spread of COVID-19 disease. The order enacts restrictions on bars and restaurants, among other businesses. All restaurants, bars, breweries, eateries, and other food service establishments are limited to providing take-out service and home delivery only.
On March 23, 2020, New Mexico Department of Health Secretary Kathy Kunkel announced a new public health emergency order effective 8am Tuesday, March 24, 2020, closing all businesses and nonprofit entities except for those deemed essential, and further restricting mass gatherings due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Restaurants are deemed essential but only for delivery and carryout. Local breweries and distilleries are deemed essential but only for carryout.

NEW YORK

New York State Department of Health:  https://www.health.ny.gov/

New York State Restaurant Association Coronavirus Information:  https://www.nysra.org/covid-19-info--resources.html

State of New York Governor’s Office:  https://www.governor.ny.gov/

New York City Mayor’s Office:  https://www1.nyc.gov/office-of-the-mayor/

March 20, 2020:  Effective at 8pm on March 22, 2020, every New Yorker must stay at home from work, unless they are an essential worker. Exemptions from the order will include shipping, media, warehousing, grocery and food production, pharmacies, health care providers, utilities, banks and related financial institutions.

All non-essential businesses that are normally open to the public must remain closed. Bars and restaurants may provide takeout.

Also, all non-essential gatherings of any size for any reason are banned. Click here for the text of Executive Order 202.8.

- Starting at 8pm on March 16, 2020, the State is mandating that restaurants move to delivery and take-out only.
- New York greenlighted the sale of alcohol for takeout and delivery sales
  - Food must be part of wine or liquor order
  - Beer hard cider sold separately
- Allowing return of liquor stockpiled for events such as St. Patrick’s Day:
  - New York State Liquor Authority (SLA), for items purchased since March 1 (potentially to extend to all purchases, regardless of date)

March 19, 2020:  Governor Andrew M. Cuomo today signed an executive order mandating businesses that rely on in-office personnel to decrease their in-office workforce by 75 percent. This follows the Governor's directive yesterday that all businesses implement work-from-home policies.
The provisions of Executive Order 202.6 requiring in-person work environment restrictions are modified as follows: Effective March 21, 2020 at 8 p.m. and until further notice all businesses and not-for-profit entities in the state shall utilize, to the maximum extent possible, any telecommuting or work from home procedures that they can safely utilize. Each employer shall reduce the in-person workforce at any work locations by 75% no later than March 21 at 8 p.m. Any essential business or entity providing essential services or functions shall not be subject to the in-person restrictions.

Restaurants have been deemed essential and can remain operating for takeout and delivery only. This Executive Order is valid through April 18, 2020.

NEW YORK CITY

- Effective March 17, 2020, all restaurants in New York City will have to operate as delivery and take-out only. No restaurants will be allowed to have in-house dining available to customers. [Click here](https://www.nysra.org/uploads/1/2/1/3/121352550/guidance_for_restaurants.pdf) to read the official press release from the office of the mayor.

NORTH CAROLINA

North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services: [https://www.ncdhhs.gov/](https://www.ncdhhs.gov/)

North Carolina Restaurant & Lodging Association Coronavirus information: [https://www.ncrla.org/coronavirus/](https://www.ncrla.org/coronavirus/)

State of North Carolina Governor's Office: [https://governor.nc.gov/](https://governor.nc.gov/)

- Effective March 17, 2020 at 5pm, Governor Cooper issued Executive Order 118, limiting operations of restaurants and bars and broadening unemployment insurance benefits in response to COVID-19. The State Health Director is exercising quarantine and isolation authority to limit access to facilities that sell food and beverage to carry-out, drive-through, in-room dining and delivery services only. Outdoor food and beverage service is allowed if patrons practice social distancing of at least 6 feet.
- CDC has also discouraged events of more than 50 people for the next 8 weeks so restaurants and hotels should take that into account.
NORTH DAKOTA

North Dakota Department of Health:  https://www.health.nd.gov/


State of North Dakota Governor's Office:  https://www.governor.nd.gov/

On March 19, 2020, Governor Doug Burgum issued an executive order closing restaurants, bars, breweries, cafes, and similar on-site dining establishments to on-sale and on-site patrons. The order took effect at 12pm on Friday, March 20, 2020 and continues through Monday, April 6, 2020. Take-out, curbside, drive-through, delivery, and off-sale services are still encouraged during this period.

Recommendations for the hospitality industry:

- Provide alcohol-based hand sanitizer stations throughout the operation.
- Increase cleaning and disinfecting frequency for high-touch surfaces.
- Closely monitor employee health. Reinforce personal hygiene and cough etiquette. Encourage symptomatic employees to stay home.
- Have employees disinfect all personal hard surfaces referenced on the product label.
- Educate and inform all employees of infection status and proper infection control procedures.
- Consider implementing social distancing in your dining room; since guest counts may be down, remove tables and provide increased distance between guests.
- Consider marketing to customers that you are implementing this practice.
- Increase hand-washing requirements for all employees entering the kitchen and food preparation areas.

FARGO

March 23, 2020: The Fargo City Commission has approved the curbside, to-go sale and delivery of alcohol within Fargo city limits for a period of 30 days beginning Monday, March 23, 2020. Proof of age and open container laws are not affected by the temporary policy change and businesses will remain held to a high standard of conduct pertaining responsible service.
Ohio Department of Public Health: http://www.odh.ohio.gov/

Ohio Restaurant Association Resources: https://www.ohiorestaurant.org/coronavirusupdates

Ohio Governor: https://governor.ohio.gov/wps/portal/gov/governor/

Per the Ohio Restaurant Association: 3/22- Report from Governor DeWine's News Conference Today:

Gov. DeWine Announced the Ohio Department of Health Director's 'Stay at Home' Order

For the restaurant industry, the most critical information is the new Order that says All Persons Stay at Home Unless Engaged in Essential Work or Activity.

In the Order (which is posted on the ORA website) under item #12, Essential Business and Operations includes:

- Restaurants for consumption off-premises. (see Section 12 (o) of the Stay at Home Order)
- Restaurants and other facilities that prepare and serve food, but only for consumption off-premises, through such means as in-house delivery, 3rd-party delivery, drive-through, curbside pick-up and carryout.
- Supplies and support necessary for Essential Businesses is referenced in Section 12 (q)and (v) of the Order)

The state is raising the level of the fight against the Coronavirus pandemic to an official order that will restrict public movements.

Gov. DeWine said the order signed by Department of Health Director Dr. Amy Acton would go into effect at 11:59 p.m. Monday, March 23rd, and is in effect thru April 6th (at which time it will be reassessed). It will require citizens to remain in their homes with certain exceptions.

- Those permitted exceptions include "essential activities" involving health and safety, gathering necessary supplies and services, outdoor activities except for closed playgrounds, certain types of work deemed essential, or to take care of others, he said. (see Section 5 of the Order)
- The governor's order also lists essential businesses that will be allowed to stay open (see Section 12 of the Order) and provides guidelines for their operations. Gov. DeWine said those will include mandated protocols to protect the public health, such as social distancing of at least 6 feet, washing hands, the availability of sanitizing and cleansing supplies for customers and workers, and more (see Section 15 of the Order). "These are just basic, common-sense things that we have already covered", he said.
- The order, however, comes with the heft of enforcement, which the governor said will be pursued by local health departments and local law enforcement (see Section 17 of the Order).
The state's action follows those by California, Illinois and New York, which have issued what some officials have characterized as "shelter in place." "It's pretty much the same thing," Gov. DeWine said. The state's order heavily follows US Department of Homeland Security guidance related to essential personnel – READ MORE.

Lt. Gov. Husted announced a specific page on the state’s coronavirus resources page dedicated to business resources and relief – READ MORE.

Gov. DeWine also announced restrictions on daycares that will become effective Thursday. As of that day, all daycare centers must operate under a temporary pandemic license that will limit services to six children per room and teacher, he said. Guidelines for daycares will also include "rigorous cleaning" schedules and recommendation for no common space, he said. Daycares are directed to keep children and parents of the same employer together, and limit interactions at drop-offs and pick-ups.

If you think you have been exposed to COVID-19 and develop a fever and symptoms, such as cough or difficulty breathing, call your health care provider for medical advice. Go to Coronavirus.Ohio.Gov and the Department of Health hotline, 1-833-4-ASK-ODH, with questions.

Previous: Effective 9:00pm on 3/15/2020, all sit-down style food service facilities, including bars, will be Ordered Closed.

If you have the capacity to operate via carryout or delivery, you may continue to do so. There is no timetable for when this order will end.

Take the following steps to ensure food safety during carryout and delivery:

- Keep all hot food items at or above 135°F
- Keep all cold food items at or below 41°F
- Keep each customer's orders separate

Safe Practices for Employees:

- Keep adequate separation distance from consumers. The CDC recommends six feet of separation distance.
- Ask consumers to make on-line payments to avoid person-to-person contact.
- Stay at home if you’re sick
- Separate yourself from others in your home
- Wash your hands for at least 20 seconds, often
- Sneeze into a tissue or your sleeve to prevent germs
- Avoid touching eyes, nose and mouth
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces

Facilities who violate this Order will be subject to an immediate suspension of their food license.
If you have food that can be safely donated, please do so. Attached you will find some guidelines for safe food donation.

Information and valuable resources:
- Coronavirus Information from the Ohio Department of Health
- Unemployment Insurance and Benefits
- High-Proof Liquor Buyback or call 1-877-812-0013
- Economic Injury Disaster Loan Program

If you have questions regarding COVID-19, we’re urging you to call the Ohio Department of Health’s COVID-19 Hotline at 1-833-4-ASK-ODH (1-833-427-5634).

Allowing return of liquor stockpiled for events such as St. Patrick’s Day: Extended offer to caterers, etc. that had temp. permits for events scheduled March 13-April 6.

**OKLAHOMA**

Oklahoma State Department of Health: [https://www.ok.gov/health/](https://www.ok.gov/health/)

Oklahoma Restaurant Association Coronavirus Information: [https://www.okrestaurants.com/coronavirus_information_and_re.php](https://www.okrestaurants.com/coronavirus_information_and_re.php)

State of Oklahoma Governor's Office: [https://www.governor.ok.gov/](https://www.governor.ok.gov/)

March 24, 2020: Governor Kevin Stitt held a press conference to provide an update on the State’s COVID-19 response and announce amendments to Executive Order 2020-07. Gatherings are limited to no more than 10 people. Restaurants in Oklahoma counties with confirmed COVID-19 cases are required to provide take-out and delivery options only and bars in those counties are closed.

March 23, 2020: The Oklahoma ABLE Commission issued a revised Emergency Order allowing mixed beverage, caterer/mixed beverage, and on-premise beer and wine licensees whose primary purpose is that of a restaurant, qualifying as a “Type-2” establishment wherein persons under 21 are allowed to enter, may sell closed original packages of beer and wine only when ancillary to an in conjunction with food sales, and when such sales are completed in a curbside pick-up or drive through manner only. Deliveries of alcoholic beverages to consumers shall remain prohibited. This order will expire on April 17, 2020 unless amended or revoked on a prior date.

Recommendations for the Industry

- Provide alcohol-based hand sanitizer stations throughout the operation.
- Increase cleaning and disinfecting frequency for high-touch surfaces.
- Closely monitor employee health. Reinforce personal hygiene and cough etiquette. Encourage symptomatic employees to stay home.

- Have employees disinfect all personal hard surfaces referenced on the product label.

- Educate and inform all employees of infection status and proper infection control procedures.

- Consider implement social distancing in your dining room; since guest counts may be down, remove tables and provide increased distance between guests.

- Consider marketing to customers that you are implementing this practice.

- Increase hand-washing requirements for all employees entering the kitchen and food preparation areas.

**LAWTON**

All bars, taverns, clubs, restaurants, and coffee shops – with the exception of take-out or delivery services by restaurants and coffee shops – shall be closed until the expiration of the emergency proclamation. [https://www.lawtonok.gov/news/covid-19-information-preparedness](https://www.lawtonok.gov/news/covid-19-information-preparedness)

**NORMAN**


**OKLAHOMA CITY**

Oklahoma City Mayor David Holt announced Tuesday March 17, 2020 he will modify the proclamation of a state of emergency to order all bars, gyms and theaters to close, and restaurants to serve only take-out or delivery food, until April 12. [https://www.okc.gov/Home/Components/News/News/3293/5296](https://www.okc.gov/Home/Components/News/News/3293/5296)

- All bars and similar venues without on-premises food (hookah barks, cigar bars, vaping lounges) and shopping mall food courts must close from 5 p.m. today (March 17) through April 12.

- All bars and similar venues with on-premises food, breweries, restaurants and coffee shops may serve only take-out or delivery food, or pre-packaged alcohol authorized for sale under state law, from 12:01 a.m. March 18 through April 12. They must otherwise remain closed to everyone but employees.
STILLWATER

Beginning at 8 a.m. tomorrow, March 18, 2020 the City of Stillwater is ordering the closure of many public venues and restricting restaurants to take out or delivery options within Stillwater city limits. These additional restrictions are to prevent the spread of the virus within the Stillwater community. These restrictions will remain in effect until Sunday, April 5—but may be extended.

Restaurant dining rooms are ordered to close to the public until April 5, although pickup and delivery service may remain open and is encouraged.  http://stillwater.org/news/view/id/531

TULSA

Effective immediately, Mayor Bynum issued an executive order to close all Tulsa bars. At midnight, the Mayor has directed the closure of all commercial establishments and places of public accommodation, including restaurants, food courts and large entertainment venues. The executive order applies to places like taverns, breweries, hookah bars, fitness centers, spas, amusement parks, etc. The executive order DOES NOT apply to places of public accommodation that offer food and beverage not for on-premises consumption, including grocery stores, markets, convenience stores, pharmacies, drug stores, and food pantries, other than those portions of the place of public accommodation subject to the requirements of section.  https://www.cityoftulsa.org/press-room/coronavirus-covid-19-update-in-tulsa-march-17/

OREGON


Oregon Restaurant & Lodging Association Coronavirus Information:  https://www.oregonrla.org/blog/covid19


On March 23, 2020, Governor Kate Brown issued Executive Order 20-12, directing everyone in Oregon to stay home to the maximum extent possible and adding to the list of businesses that will temporarily be closed to stem the spread of COVID-19 in Oregon.  This order is effective immediately and remains in effect until ended by the Governor.  Restaurants, bars, taverns, brew pubs, wine bars, cafes, food courts, coffee shops, or other establishments that offer food or drink are prohibiting on-premises consumption but are allowing take-out or delivery service.

On March 16, 2020, Governor Kate Brown announced new measures to flatten the curve of coronavirus transmission in Oregon. The new orders on social distancing measures are effective March 17, 2020 for at least four weeks, and they include:
- A statewide cancelation of all events and gatherings larger than 25 people — exempting essential locations like workplaces, grocery stores, pharmacies, and retail stores. It is additionally recommended that Oregonians avoid gatherings of 10 people or more.

- Restaurants, bars, and other establishments may not offer food or beverages for on-site consumption; they are restricted to carry out and delivery only.

- Food service at health care facilities, workplaces, and other essential facilities will continue.

- All other businesses are urged to assess their practices, implement strong social distancing measures, and close their doors temporarily if they cannot put the new guidance in place.

**Pennsylvania**

Pennsylvania Department of Health: [https://www.health.pa.gov/Pages/default.aspx](https://www.health.pa.gov/Pages/default.aspx)

Pennsylvania Restaurant & Lodging Association Coronavirus Information: [https://www.prla.org/coronavirus.html](https://www.prla.org/coronavirus.html)

State of Pennsylvania Governor’s Office: [https://www.governor.pa.gov/](https://www.governor.pa.gov/)

March 23, 2020: The following counties are under a Stay at Home Order: Allegheny County, Bucks County, Chester County, Delaware County, Monroe County, Montgomery County, and Philadelphia County. The order is effective at 8pm on March 23, 2020 and will continue until April 6, 2020. All individuals in counties subject to this policy must STAY AT HOME except for certain essential activities and work to provide life-sustaining business and government services. See Governor Wolf’s order and the Secretary of Health’s order.

March 19, 2020: Governor Tom Wolf ordered all non-life sustaining businesses in Pennsylvania to close their physical locations as of 8pm. Life sustaining businesses may remain open, but they must follow, at a minimum, the social distancing practices and other mitigation measures defined by the Center for Disease Control to protect workers and patrons. Businesses that offer carry-out, delivery and drive-through food and beverage service may continue, so long as social distancing and other mitigation measures are employed to protect workers and patrons.

This order is effective immediately and will remain in effect until further notice.

On March 16, 2020, Governor Tom Wolf has ordered that all restaurants and bars close their dine-in facilities to help stop the spread of COVID-19. Businesses that offer carryout, delivery, and drive-through food and beverage service may continue to do so, but eating and drinking inside restaurants and bars is temporarily prohibited. These businesses that offer carryout, delivery, and drive-through food and beverage should employ social distancing best practices and be aware of the Trump Administration’s
guidance to avoid gatherings of 10 or more people. https://www.governor.pa.gov/newsroom/wolf-administration-updates-businesses-on-guidance-for-covid-19-mitigation-efforts/

PHILADELPHIA

City officials announced new restrictions on commercial activity, and a halt to all non-essential City government operations, in order to reduce the spread of the COVID-19 novel coronavirus in Philadelphia. Food establishments may only accommodate online and phone orders for delivery and pick-up, and cannot allow dine-in service for the duration of these restrictions. Changes are effective as of 5pm on March 16, 2020 through at least March 27, 2020. A precise end date has yet to be determined.

PITTSBURGH

City of Pittsburgh Coronavirus updates: https://pittsburghpa.gov/mayor/covid-updates

On March 15, 2020, the city of Pittsburgh prohibited all public gatherings of 50 or more people to help stop the spread of the COVID-19 virus. On Friday March 13, 2020, the city announced all events of 250 people or more would be prohibited starting at 9am the following day. That ban was extended to require the cancellation of all gatherings of 50 or more people in the city. The Alleghany County Health Department has additionally called for a voluntary 14-day closure of all non-essential businesses in the County, starting March 16, 2020.

RHODE ISLAND

Rhode Island Department of Public Health: http://www.health.ri.gov/

Rhode Island Restaurant Association Coronavirus Information: https://www.rihospitality.org/CoronaVirus-Recent-Updates

Rhode Island Office of the Governor: http://www.governor.ri.gov/


Press Release: https://www.ri.gov/press/view/37924

Effective March 17, 2020, the State is mandating that all restaurants transition to take out and curbside pickup. Hotels will be allowed to serve guests via room service.
General guidance and information:

- Through March 30th, there will be no on-site food consumption for restaurants, bars, coffee shops, or other food establishments in Rhode Island. (Establishments with a food license can continue to conduct pick-up, drive-thru and delivery only.)
- Avoid all crowded places, large events, and mass gatherings. However, people should continue doing essential errands (such as going to the grocery store).


The current drive-thru and takeout policy will be re-evaluated by the governor in 2 weeks.

3/22- Governor, RIDOH Provide Updates on State Actions during COVID-19 Crisis

Groups: Today the Governor reiterated that Rhode Islanders should avoid any non-essential gathering, and no gatherings should have more than 10 people.

Businesses: The Governor signed an Executive Order today directing all recreation and entertainment facilities to close their in-person operations. This includes theaters, cinemas, sporting events, bowling alleys and others. The Executive Order will also order the closure of any close-contact businesses like gyms, fitness centers, hair salons and barbershops, nail salons, spas and tattoo parlors. These businesses must be closed by 5PM tomorrow. Press Release: https://www.ri.gov/press/view/37985

SOUTH CAROLINA

South Carolina Department of Public Health: https://www.scdhec.gov/

South Carolina Restaurant Association Resources:


South Carolina Office of the Governor: https://governor.sc.gov/

Executive Orders

Social Distancing

https://governor.sc.gov/sites/default/files/Documents/Executive-Orders/2020-03-21%20eFILED%20Executive%20Order%20No.%202020-12%20-%20Regulatory%20Flexibility%20to%20Facilitate%20Social%20Distancing.pdf

State of Emergency – effective for a period of 15 days
South Carolina: On Tuesday (March 17), Gov. Henry McMaster announced that all bars and restaurants statewide must cease offering dine-in service, effective Wednesday (March 18). Gatherings of more than 50 people are also banned across the state, the South Carolina Post and Courier reported.

The Governor is encouraging all affected facilities to provide take out, drive through or delivery service. Patrons may come into the facility to place orders. However, to promote social distancing, we are encouraging that orders be taken via phone, online or at a service window.

Retail stores, convenience stores and hotel breakfast service may continue to offer self-service food service such as grab and go, hot dog and pizza or other food pick up; however, any seating areas need to be closed.

Guidance Regarding Enforcement:

South Governor Henry McMaster has issued Executive Orders that have altered the normal course of business, particularly for restaurants.

Executive Order (2020-10) PROHIBITS food service establishments from selling food or beverages of any kind for on-premises consumption in the State of South Carolina through Tuesday, March 31, 2020. The Governor has authorized, permitted, and encouraged “to-go” orders, whether via delivery, carry-out or drive-thru distribution, curbside pick-up, or other alternate means.

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 2020-10

Executive Order (2020-12) ALLOWS current holders of a valid Beer and Wine Permit, as set forth in the Executive Order, to sell or deliver beer and wine in a sealed container for curbside delivery or pickup and off-premises consumption.

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 2020-12

Limit Personal Interaction to the Greatest Extent Possible.

- Utilize and encourage online ordering or ordering via telephone when possible. Limit personal interactions that take place physically inside restaurants. Allow customers to order, pay, and receive their food and beverage without entering the location if possible. Remember, The President’s Coronavirus Guidelines for America encourages us all to, “AVOID SOCIAL GATHERINGS in groups of 10 people.”
• Remember, selling FOOD and BEVERAGE of ANY KIND for ON-PREMISES consumption is strictly prohibited by the Governor’s Executive Order. Selling food and/or drink to consume on-premises while an individual waits for his or her “to-go” order is unlawful at this time.
• Utilize and encourage curbside pick-up, delivery, and drive-thru options. Simply posting a number for customers to call when they arrive and providing curbside delivery/payment will help tremendously in the effort to reduce the spread of the virus.
• If individuals must wait for their orders to be completed, we encourage you to practice social distancing. Again, the hope in restricting on-site consumption of food and beverage is to limit and contain the spread of COVID-19. Maintaining at least a 6-foot distance from other individuals is recommended, even while waiting for “to-go” orders. Practicing social distancing between employees and patrons is recommended.

CHARLESTON

City of Charleston Coronavirus Updates

• Large gatherings have been banned.
• Bars and restaurants have stopped serving onsite.
• Citizens have been urged to stay home for a period of 14 days.

Charleston SC updates: https://www.charleston-sc.gov/2408/City-of-Charleston-Coronavirus-Updates

SOUTH DAKOTA

South Dakota Department of Public Health: https://doh.sd.gov/

South Dakota Restaurant Association Resources: https://www.sdra.org/protection.html

South Dakota Governor website: https://sd.gov/governor/

Executive Orders:

• State of Emergency COVID-19 - Executive Order 2020-04
• Personal, Business and Healthcare Precautions - Executive Order 2020-08
• On Monday (March 16), SDRA sent the following press release to assure consumers that the supply chain for food and sanitary supplies remains intact and that businesses are taking extra precautions to minimize the impact of COVID-19. Click here to read the release.
• Governor Noem is working with the Small Business Administration to activate the Economic Injury Disaster Loan Fund Program in South Dakota. This program would help eligible businesses and non-profits impacted by COVID-19. If you are interested in learning more about this program click here to view the details.
• National Retail Federation President and CEO Matthew Shay and Retail Industry Leaders Association President Brian Dodge are advising consumers to shop responsibly during the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic. Click here to read the release.

SIOUX FALLS: City of Sioux Falls - https://www.siouxfalls.org/

3/24/2020 - The City of Sioux Falls has issued a state of emergency to address COVID-19 concerns. The city has closed all non-essential city buildings and limited gatherings to less than 10 people. Organizations and events around the Sioux Falls area are closing their doors or changing their hours as a precaution ahead of the spread of coronavirus.

Free Carry Out Parking for Downtown Businesses

• To assist downtown establishments, the City of Sioux Falls is placing free carry out parking signs at various downtown locations including restaurants and other food establishments.

HURON

Effective at 12:00 a.m. on March 23, 2020, all restaurants, food courts, coffee houses, bars, breweries, distilleries, wineries, clubs, cafes and other similar places of public accommodation offering food and beverages for on-site consumption, including any alcohol licensees with on-sale privileges, are closed to on-site/on-sale patrons. These businesses may continue to operate in order to provide take-out, delivery, curbside service, drive-thru service. Any business continuing to operate in order to provide off-site service should implement procedures to ensure social distancing and operate in compliance with federal and state health guidance in order to prevent the spread of COVID-19.

Ordinance No. 2207

RAPID CITY

Effective at 7:00 p.m. Friday, March 27, 2020, all restaurants, food courts, coffee houses, bars, breweries, distilleries, wineries, clubs, cafes and other similar places of public accommodation offering food and beverages for on-site consumption, including any alcohol licensees with on-sale privileges, are closed to on-site/on-sale patrons. These businesses may continue to operate in order to provide take-out, delivery, curbside service, and drive-thru service. Any business continuing to operate in order to provide off-site service should implement procedures to ensure social distancing and operate in compliance with federal and state health guidance in order to prevent the spread of COVID-19. This closure will remain in effect through Wednesday, April 8, 2020.

Ordinance No. 6412
TENNESSEE

Tennessee Department of Public Health:  https://www.tn.gov/health.html

Hospitality Tennessee Resources:  https://www.hospitalitytn.com/

Tennessee Office of the Governor:  https://www.tn.gov/governor.html


Tennessee Governor Bill Lee signed Executive Order 17 calling for businesses across the state to utilize alternative business models beginning at midnight CDT on Monday, March 23, 2020 until midnight CDT April 6, 2020.

**Executive Order 17** prohibits social gatherings of 10 or more people and enacts the following provisions regarding restaurants, bars, and similar food and drink establishments:

- Establishments are to exclusively offer drive-thru, take-out or delivery options to support families, businesses and the food supply chain during this emergency.
- Establishments may sell alcohol by take-out or delivery (with the purchase of food) in closed containers to those who are age 21 and up.

DICKSON COUNTY

3/24/2020 - Dickson County declared a State of Emergency due to the novel coronavirus. The county mayor said he’s asking citizens to adhere to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention guidelines to limit exposure to themselves and others.

NASHVILLE

Nashville Public Health Department:  https://www.nashville.gov/Health-Department.aspx

- For more information on how to prevent COVID-19 and how to stay healthy, click here.
- For more information on the status of city services, click here.

3/20 - Nashville restaurants restricted from dine-in service for COVID-19

Take-out orders, drive-thru service, curbside pickup, and delivery service are permitted, as long as restaurant patrons leave the premises with the food and do not stay to dine in the restaurant.
TEXAS

Texas Department of Public Health: https://www.dshs.texas.gov/

Texas Restaurant Association: http://www.txrestaurant.org/

Texas Governor: https://gov.texas.gov/

3/23 per the NY Times: Gov. Greg Abbott has left it to local officials to impose the most restrictive orders, but millions of people in the most populous areas have been told to stay home, including Harris County, which includes Houston, Dallas and Tarrant counties in the Dallas-Fort Worth region, and Bexar County, which includes San Antonio. “Another person has died within the last 24 hours,” said Clay Jenkins, the Dallas County judge. “We’re headed to a point of no return, if we continue to dawdle.”

Austin: Stay at home, effective March 24 at 11:59 p.m. See announcement | Read local coverage

Bexar County Stay at home, effective March 24 at 11:59 p.m. See announcement | Read local coverage

Collin County Stay at home, effective March 24 See announcement | Read local coverage

Dallas County Shelter in place, effective March 23 at 11:59 p.m. See announcement | Read local coverage

El Paso County Stay at home, effective March 24 at 11:59 p.m. See announcement | Read local coverage

Harris County Stay at home, effective March 24 at 11:59 p.m. See announcement | Read local coverage

Hunt County Shelter in place, effective March 24 at 11:59 p.m. See announcement | Read local coverage

Tarrant County Stay at home, effective March 24 at 11:59 p.m. See announcement | Read local coverage

Effective March 19th-The following orders have been issued by Governor Abbott:

- Order No. 1: In accordance with the Guidelines from the President and the CDC, every person in Texas shall avoid social gatherings in groups of more than 10 people.
- Order No. 2: In accordance with the Guidelines from the President and the CDC, people shall avoid eating or drinking at bars, restaurants, and food courts, or visiting gyms or massage parlors; provided, however, that the use of drive-thru, pickup, or delivery options is allowed and highly encouraged throughout the limited duration of this executive order.
• Order No. 3: In accordance with the Guidelines from the President and the CDC, people shall not visit nursing homes, retirement, or long-term care facilities unless to provide critical assistance.
• Order No. 4: In accordance with the Guidelines from the President and the CDC, schools shall temporarily close.

These orders will be effective on a statewide basis starting at 11:59 PM on March 20, 2020 and will end at 11:59 PM on April 3, 2020, subject to extension thereafter based on the status of COVID-19 in Texas and the recommendations of the CDC.

This executive order does not prohibit people from visiting a variety of places, including grocery stores, gas stations, parks, and banks, so long as the necessary precautions are maintained to reduce the transmission of COVID-19. This executive order does not mandate sheltering in place. All critical infrastructure will remain operational, domestic travel will remain unrestricted, and government entities and businesses will continue providing essential services.

For offices and workplaces that remain open, employees should practice good hygiene and, where feasible, work from home in order to achieve optimum isolation from COVID-19. The more that people reduce their public contact, the sooner COVID-19 will be contained and the sooner this executive order will expire.

Under Chapter 81 of the Health and Safety Code, Commissioner Hellerstedt's Public Health Disaster Declaration triggers a number of important tools for state and local officials to respond to COVID-19:

• Texas and local health authorities can more easily require property owners to disinfect, decontaminate, and seal off property that might be contaminated.
• It authorizes health authorities to take additional control measures that they see fit to control and eradicate the threat to public health.
• It streamlines the process for state and local health authorities to invoke the courts to enforce quarantines of individuals.
• Activates enhanced tools for DSHS to collect disease and health information and to share that information with law enforcement personnel and first responders as appropriate.

View the Governor’s Executive Order.

View the Public Health Disaster Declaration.

Texas Restaurant Association has created a county tracker for county/city restrictions and closures and shelter-in place information:

https://www.txrestaurant.org/coronavirus-county-status-lookup-page

Local Health Entities Information: https://www.dshs.texas.gov/regions/2019-nCoV-Local-Health-Entities/
Utah Department of Public Health:  https://health.utah.gov/

Utah Restaurant Association:  https://utahrestaurantassociation.org/

Utah Governor website:  https://governor.utah.gov/

The Utah Department of Health, in coordination with the Governor’s Office and Utah COVID-19 Community Task Force, issued an order to all restaurants, bars, and food service establishments in the state of Utah to suspend dine-in operations for a period of two weeks beginning Wednesday, March 18, at 11:59 p.m.  https://coronavirus.utah.gov/wp-content/uploads/Restaurant-Pub-Hlth-Order-1.pdf

Restaurants, Bars, and Taverns. Effective at 11:59 p.m. on March 18, 2020, all food service, restaurants, self-serve buffets, salad bars, un-packaged self-serve food services, bars, taverns, nightclubs, private liquor clubs, and saloons in the state of Utah shall immediately close to members, guests, patrons, customers, and the general public. Notwithstanding the foregoing, food service may operate on a limited basis subject to the following operational restrictions and prohibitions:

All dine-in food service, whether inside or outside the establishment, is prohibited; food service establishments may not admit members, guests, patrons, or customers inside the establishment except to pick up food for take out.

- Curbside take-out and drive-through food service (in addition to pickup service as noted above) is permitted. Where possible, online (e.g., Venmo, Squarecash, Google Pay, Apple Pay) and telephonic credit card transactions are strongly encouraged. Cash payments are strongly discouraged. Employees who handle cash or credit cards shall use cleansing measures between each transaction, including using any best practices issued by the Department. Employees who handle cash or credit cards may not participate in food preparation, handling, or delivery.
- Third party delivery service (e.g., Uber Eats and DoorDash) is permitted. Employees of such services shall avoid physical contact with any customer. Employees of such services may not engage in any delivery services if the employee presents any symptoms of illness consistent with COVID-19. Employees of such services shall use cleansing measures between each transaction, including using any best practices issued by the Department.
- Management of food service establishments shall ensure, on a daily basis and at the beginning of each shift, that no employee who presents any symptom of illness consistent with COVID-19 will be permitted to work.

Due to the circumstances and the continuing spread of COVID-19, the Department shall immediately close all business activity at any establishment that violates any provision of this Order.

RETURN OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES FOR RESTAURANTS AND BARS
• Restaurants and bars may return any unopened alcoholic beverages purchased from a state liquor store within the last 30 days for a FULL refund. Checks will be issued for any cash purchases.

SALT LAKE CITY - Salt Lake City Department of Health:  https://slco.org/health/

Salt Lake County Health Department issued a Public Health Order, effective Monday, March 16, at 11:00 p.m. that all food service, restaurants, self-serve buffets, bars, and tavern business operations in Salt Lake County are prohibited from providing dine-in food service. This order is effective for 30 days, beginning March 16, 2020.

Take-out, drive-thru, pick-up, and delivery (including by third-party services) food service is permitted; mobile food (trucks/carts) are also permitted. These non-dine-in food services are allowed only with the social distancing and sanitizing requirements outlined in the order.

All businesses and workplaces are required to implement social distancing measures and exclude symptomatic workers from physical attendance in the workplace. Social distancing should include at least 6 feet between customers in the establishment.

Cash payments are strongly discouraged. While third-party food delivery services (i.e. Uber Eats, Door Dash, etc.) are permitted, they must observe “no contact delivery” to eliminate person-to-person contact.

SUMMIT COUNTY - Restaurants, Bars and Taverns

• Prohibition on all dine-in food service.
• Curbside take out or drive-thru food service is permitted.
• Employees must take food items to the curb and give item to the customer.
• For hotel restaurants, food items may only be delivered as room service or curbside services.
• Third party food delivery services (i.e. Uber Eats, Door Dash, etc.) are prohibited. Restaurants which had their own in -house delivery service on March, 15 2020 may continue such delivery services. Restaurants which had no in-house delivery service may not start an in-house delivery service after March 15, 2020.
• Management shall and must ensure daily that no employees show symptoms of illness and cannot work if ill.

Summit County Public Health Order:  https://files.constantcontact.com/c370ea0a401/bf0de1a0-15d5-4255-af4b-13c1676ada15.pdf
VERMONT

Vermont Department of Public Health:  https://www.healthvermont.gov/

Vermont Chamber of Commerce:  https://www.vtchamber.com/

Vermont Office of Governor Phil Scott:  https://governor.vermont.gov/

- Executive Order to Work from Home
- The Governor is now ordering the closing of all bars and restaurants statewide. Food service establishments can continue to offer takeout and delivery service. This measure is effective beginning 2 p.m. Tuesday, March 17 and is in effect until April 6, though this could be extended.
- Gatherings of more than 50 people are prohibited.

COVID-19 Guidance for Food and Lodging Businesses:

EXECUTIVE ORDER 01-20

Signage:

Social Distancing

Keep Germs from Spreading

Proper Hand Washing

VIRGINIA

Virginia Department of Public Health:  http://www.vdh.virginia.gov/

Virginia Restaurant Lodging Travel Association Information:  https://www.vrlta.org/

Virginia Governor website:  https://www.governor.virginia.gov/

3/24/2020 - Closure of all dining and congregation areas in restaurants, dining establishments, food courts, breweries, microbreweries, distilleries, wineries, tasting rooms, and farmers markets effective 11:59 p.m., Tuesday, March 24, 2020 until 11:59 p.m., Thursday, April 23, 2020. Restaurants, dining
establishments, food courts, breweries, microbreweries, distilleries, wineries, tasting rooms, and farmers markets may continue to offer delivery and take-out services.

Effective 11:59 p.m., Tuesday, March 24, 2020 until 11:59 p.m., Thursday, April 23, 2020, all public and private in person gatherings of 10 or more individuals are prohibited.

Dining and On-Site Alcohol Establishments

3/24/2020 - All dining and congregation areas in the following establishments must close to the public beginning at 11:59 PM on Tuesday, March 24, 2020. These establishments may continue to offer delivery and/or takeout services. Establishments include:

- Restaurants;
- Dining establishments;
- Food courts;
- Farmers markets;
- Breweries;
- Microbreweries;
- Distilleries;
- Wineries; and
- Tasting rooms

Public and Private Gatherings

Beginning 11:59 PM on March 24, gatherings of more than ten people are banned statewide. Governor Northam is urging Virginians to limit all non-essential travel outside the home, if and when possible. Those with chronic health conditions or aged 65 or older should self-quarantine.


Information for Food Establishments:


Helpful Tips and Information for Food Establishments:

Ways to Encourage Social Distancing in a Food Establishment

- Arrange seating to allow for at least six (6) feet of distance between tables/booths
- Reduce seating to no more than 10 patrons
- Suspend service to standing patrons and bar seating
- Consider allowing only takeout or delivery orders during a portion of your day
- Consider partnering with an online food ordering or delivering platform
- Discourage large dining parties

Suggested Control Measures to Reduce the Spread of COVID-19 in Food Establishments

Perform routine environmental cleaning
- Routinely clean frequently touched surfaces, including menus and digital ordering systems, condiment containers, salt and pepper shakers, countertops, doors and door handles, etc., with the cleaners that are **EPA-approved for emerging viral pathogens**. Use all cleaning products according to the directions on the label.
- Provide additional precautions for customers within the establishment
  - Make sure to keep employee and customer bathrooms stocked with soap and paper towels.
  - Handwashing is one of the best ways to prevent COVID-19 transmission.
  - Ensure adequate supply and convenient placement of alcohol-based hand sanitizers for use by customers inside food establishment.
  - Provide extra supplies of napkins or tissues for customers to use when coughing or sneezing.
  - If customer self-service is done within the establishment, consider additional employee oversight so contaminated surfaces can be cleaned, and any contaminated food or utensils can be removed. Based on volume and peak usage of self-service areas, replace utensils in these areas more frequently.
  - Ensure food in self-service areas is properly protected using covers and sneeze shields

FAIRFAX

City of Fairfax website:  [https://www.fairfaxva.gov/](https://www.fairfaxva.gov/)

3/25 - The Mayor and City Council of Fairfax has issued a Declaration of Local Emergency that will remain effective until June 10, 2020.  [https://www.fairfaxva.gov/home/showdocument?id=14976](https://www.fairfaxva.gov/home/showdocument?id=14976)

RICHMOND


The city of Richmond recommends limiting on-site service in establishments that serve food and drink within city limits; proposes amnesty on penalties and interest for most local taxes.

WASHINGTON

Washington Department of Public Health:  [https://www.doh.wa.gov/](https://www.doh.wa.gov/)

Washington Hospitality Association Coronavirus Information:  [https://wahospitality.org/resources/coronavirus/](https://wahospitality.org/resources/coronavirus/)

Washington Governor website:  [https://www.governor.wa.gov/](https://www.governor.wa.gov/)
3/24 - Gov. Jay Inslee spoke directly to Washingtonians to announce he will sign a statewide order that requires everyone in the state to stay home. The order will last for two weeks and could be extended.

This proclamation will:

- Require every Washingtonian to stay home unless they need to pursue an essential activity.
- Ban all gatherings for social, spiritual and recreational purposes.
- Close all businesses except essential businesses.

Stay Home, Stay Healthier Order

https://www.governor.wa.gov/news-media/inslee-announces-stay-home-stay-healthy%C2%A0order

Gov. Jay Inslee announced that all restaurants, bars and entertainment or recreational facilities are ordered closed as of midnight, March 16, 2020 (Monday night). The order includes:

- Restaurants
- Food courts
- Bars and taverns
- Wine, beer and spirits tasting venues
- Doughnut shops and ice cream parlors
- Coffee shops
- Sit-down restaurants and bars

The closures will last until at least March 31, with the option of extending them. Take-out, drive-thru and delivery orders will be available for customers.

Public gatherings are limited to 50 or fewer people.

SEATTLE

Seattle Department of Health: https://www.kingcounty.gov/depts/health.aspx

To limit the spread of COVID-19, King County Executive Dow Constantine and Health Officer Jeff Duchin announced a new Local Health Order that directed public health actions effective Monday, March 16.

Local Health Officer Order prohibited most social and recreational establishments from operating until further notice, provided strict guidance for food establishments limit service to drive through, take-out and delivery, and encouraged other essential retail establishments to stay open, as long as they take steps to minimize the spread of disease.
• All bars, dance clubs, fitness and health clubs, movie theaters, nightclubs, and other social and recreational establishments until at least March 31.

• All restaurants and food service establishments cannot provide dining room service.

FOR EVENTS:

• All events with 50 people or more are hereby prohibited until further notice;

• All events with fewer than 50 people are discouraged and prohibited unless event organizers observe the COVID-19 prevention measures.

Guidelines for Events

SPOKANE

Spoke Department of Health:  https://srhd.org/

At this time, SRHD encourages community members to follow CDC recommendations for preventing illness. For more information about COVID-19 in Spokane and how to prepare, see the following:

• COVID-19 in Spokane County

• Personal Preparedness Information

• Local Health Officer Order - March 13, 2020

TACOMA

Tacoma Department of Health:  https://www.tpchd.org/

3/25 - Implement Social Distancing

• All employees should telework as much as possible.

• Apply social distancing methods:
  o Offer flexible work hours.
  o Stagger work schedules.
  o Avoid contact like handshakes or high-fives. Maintain 6 feet of separation.
  o Remove large work-related gatherings like conferences or staff meetings.
  o Meet via phone or electronically, rather than in-person.

Social Distancing Order:

Signage:
https://www.tpchd.org/home/showdocument?id=6012
https://www.tpchd.org/home/showdocument?id=6446
https://www.tpchd.org/Home/ShowDocument?id=6504

WISCONSIN

Wisconsin Department of Public Health:  https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/

Wisconsin Restaurant Association Coronavirus Information: http://www.wirestaurant.org/resources/coronavirus

Wisconsin Governor website:  https://evers.wi.gov/Pages/Home.aspx

3/24 - Wisconsin Governor Tony Evers has issued a month-long safer at home order that closes all non-essential business and prohibits all non-essential travel in the state during the coronavirus outbreak.

The order will go into effect at 8 a.m. Wednesday, March 25 and remain in effect until 8 a.m. on Friday, April 24, unless the governor announces otherwise.

Safer At Home Order:
https://content.govdelivery.com/attachments/WIGOV/2020/03/24/file_attachments/1409408/Health%20Order%20%2312%20Safer%20At%20Home.pdf

On March 17th, the Governor declared a ban on gatherings of 10 people or more.

Additionally, the Governor declared closing of dining rooms in restaurants. Foodservice establishments (restaurants and bars) are still allowed to do curbside, takeout and delivery.

Governor’s Order

Press Release from Governor

Food Establishments

- Restaurants may remain open for take-out or delivery service only. No seating may be provided, and food may not be consumed at the restaurant. Restaurants shall preserve social distancing of six feet between customers during pick up.
- Retail food establishments (grocery stores, convenience stores, farmer’s markets), as long as the requirements listed below are followed
  - Close all seating intended for serving food;
  - Cease self-service operations of salad bars, beverage stations, and buffets; and
  - Prohibit customers from self-dispensing all unpackaged food.

All gatherings that bring together or are likely to bring together less than 10 people in a single room or confined or enclosed space at the same time must:

- Preserve social distancing of six feet between people; and
- Follow all other public health recommendations issued by DHS and CDC.

MILWAUKEE

Milwaukee Department of Health:  [https://city.milwaukee.gov/](https://city.milwaukee.gov/)

Restaurant Carryout Zone Program

In an effort to slow the spread of the COVID-19 virus, on March 16 Governor Tony Evers restricted restaurant service to delivery and carry-out only. To assist restaurants that currently do not have a "Loading Zone" adjacent to their business, the City of Milwaukee has implemented a temporary program to provide "Restaurant Carryout Zones".

- "Restaurant Carry-Out Zones" are intended to make it safe and convenient for customers to pick-up orders from restaurants. The expectation is that orders will be taken out to the customer’s vehicle and lessen possible exposure to COVID-19
- To request the installation of signage and/or meter hoods to create a "Restaurant Carry-Out Zone", please complete an [ON-LINE REQUEST FORM](https://city.milwaukee.gov/)
- Signage will be installed by the Department of Public Works within 48 to 72 hours of your request
- The program is 100% free to City of Milwaukee restaurateurs who currently do not have a "Loading Zone" adjacent to their business
- This is a temporary program that will be evaluated over the upcoming weeks

COVID-19 Press Release:  [Food and Beverage Sales](https://city.milwaukee.gov/)
WEST VIRGINIA

West Virginia Department of Public Health:  [https://dhhr.wv.gov/Pages/default.aspx]

West Virginia Hospitality and Travel Association:  [https://www.wvhta.com/]

West Virginia Office of the Governor:  [https://governor.wv.gov/Pages/default.aspx]

Stay-At-Home Order – effective March 24th at 8:00pm
[https://dhhr.wv.gov/COVID-19/Pages/Governor-Issues-Stay-at-Home-Order.aspx]

3/18- Gov. Jim Justice issued an Executive Order formally directing all restaurants and bars in West Virginia to limit service to carry out, drive-thru, and delivery operations only as their dining rooms are temporarily closed.


West Virginia Governor Jim Justice issued a Stay at Home order effective March 24, 2020, at 8:00 p.m. The order directs all West Virginians to stay at home and limit movements outside of their homes beyond essential needs.

Executive Order No. 9-20: 
[https://coronavirus-wvgovstatus-cdn.azureedge.net/STAY_AT_HOME_ORDER.pdf]

CHARLESTON

Kanawha-Charleston Department of Public Health:  [https://www.kchdwv.org/]

FOOD ESTABLISHMENT GUIDELINES

Dine-in seating is not allowed and should be clearly posted.

- Take-out, delivery and drive-thru windows can remain open.
- Pick-up and takeout customers should practice recommended social distancing precautions.
Self-service operations for unpackaged, ready-to-eat foods should be discontinued or modified so they are only dispensed by employees (i.e., take away buffets, salad bars, ice cream machines, etc.).

EMPLOYEE HEALTH GUIDELINES

- All food employees must be knowledgeable of the relationship between personal health, hygiene and food safety. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, guidance regarding COVID-19 is in accordance with 64 CSR 17 Food Establishment Rule - 2013 FDA Food Code—8-304.11(H).
- Employers are being requested to monitor their employees daily for common symptoms of COVID-19, including checking employee’s temperature upon arrive for work.

COVID-19 Control Recommendations Infographic

WYOMING

Wyoming Department of Public Health:  https://health.wyo.gov/

Wyoming Lodging and Restaurant Association:  https://www.wlra.org/

Wyoming Governor website:  https://governor.wyo.gov/

Wyoming's governor and state health officer ordered a two-week closure of a wide range of public places.

- The order by Gov. Mark Gordon and Dr. Alexia Harrist applies through April 3rd to all bars, nightclubs, coffee shops and employee cafeterias.
- The order also prohibits all dine-in restaurant service, self-serve buffets, salad bars and unpackaged self-serve food services. Restaurant curbside take out and drive-through service may continue.

Coronavirus Information

- Sample Sign
- Emergency Closure Order Press Release

The Wyoming Department of Health has closed all restaurants and bars effective immediately and will remain in effect until April 3, 2020.

- Wyoming Public Health Orders
  - Statewide Public Health Order on Public Spaces
  - Statewide Public Health Order on Gatherings
LARAMIE COUNTY


3/25 - Laramie County is following the general guidelines from the CDC and has established protocols in dealing with COVID-19.

- COVID-19 Press Release
- Public Gathering Limitations
  https://laramiecounty.com/Public_Announcement_for_Services_during_Pandemic.pdf