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.

CDC Guidance on Cleaning and Disinfection

EPA Approved Coronavirus Disinfectants

CDC Posters and Fact Sheets

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

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

The order covers Jefferson, Tuscaloosa, Walker, Blount, St. Clair and Shelby counties.
Effective at 5 p.m. March 17, any restaurant, brewery or bar shall not permit onsite food or drink to be served for at least one week, with certain provisions. Establishments may continue to offer food for take-out or delivery provided the social distancing protocols including maintaining a consistent six-foot distance between persons are followed. Establishments are strongly encouraged to offer online ordering and curbside pickup of food. Hospital food service areas are excluded provided they have their own social distancing plan.


**ALASKA**

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


Issued: March 17, 2020 By: Governor Mike Dunleavy, 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](https://coronavirus.alaska.gov)


3/16 ANCHORAGE — Today, Mayor Ethan Berkowitz announced additional public health measures to protect Anchorage residents against COVID-19.

**Restrictions and Closures: Bars, Breweries, Restaurants and Entertainment Facilities**

Mayor Berkowitz signed [Emergency Order EO-01](https://www.restaurant.org/covid19), which regulates bars, breweries and restaurants in order to preserve public safety and welfare. Starting at 5:00 p.m. on Monday, March 16, dine-in service for food or drink at bars, breweries and restaurants will be prohibited until 11:59 p.m. on March 31. All buffets and salad bars will be closed to self-service. Drive-thru, take-out, and delivery services are allowed. This restriction does not apply to grocery stores.

In addition to these restrictions, all entertainment facilities including theaters, gyms, and bingo halls will be closed starting at 5:00 p.m., Monday, March 16 until 11:59 p.m. on Tuesday, March 31. All buffets and salad-bars will be closed to self-service.

**Banning all gatherings with more than 50 people**

The Mayor’s Emergency Order includes a ban on all events and mass gatherings with 50 people or more starting at 5:00 p.m., Monday, March 16 until 11:59 p.m. on Tuesday, March 31.
ARIZONA

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

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

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.

Per the Arizona Restaurant Association’s email as of March 19, 2020: Tempe Mayor Orders Restaurant Dining Rooms closed

Earlier this afternoon, Tempe Mayor Mark Mitchell announced that he had issued an order, which requires restaurant activities be restricted to carry-out, drive-thru, curbside pickup, and delivery.

Details of closure order:

Effective Date: March 19, 2020 at 8:00PM

End Date: Undefined

Specifics: Restricts restaurant activities to delivery and to-go orders.

Per the Arizona Restaurant Association’s email: as of March 18, 2020: Phoenix, Flagstaff, and Tucson close restaurant dining rooms:

On Monday, Mayor Coral Evans in Flagstaff announced that she had declared an emergency and ordered that restaurant activities be restricted to carry-out, drive-thru, curbside pickup, and delivery. On Tuesday the Mayors of Phoenix and Tucson also issued orders closing restaurants for on-premise consumption.

Details of closure orders:

City of Phoenix

- Effective Date: March 17, 2020 at 8:00PM
- End Date: Undefined
- Specifics: Requires bars to close and restricts restaurants (or bars that serve food) to takeout, delivery, or drive-thru activity.
- **Next Activity:** The Phoenix City Council will be voting on Mayor Gallego’s emergency declaration at their regular council meeting today.
- [https://twitter.com/MayorGallego/status/1240067805531131904/photo/1](https://twitter.com/MayorGallego/status/1240067805531131904/photo/1)

**City of Tucson**

- **Effective Date:** March 17, 2020 at 8:00pm
- **End Date:** April 1, 2020 at 12:00AM
- **Specifics:** All restaurants, food courts, cafes, and coffeehouses, retail food facilities and other similar businesses are prohibited from serving food and beverages for consumption on premises. Businesses are encouraged to offer food and beverages using delivery, window service, drive-thru or curbside service. Bars, taverns, brew pubs, breweries, microbreweries, distilleries, wineries, and tasting rooms are closed.

- **Next Activity:** The City will reassess the need for the order prior to April 1, 2020.
- [https://www.tucsonaz.gov/files/PROCLAMATION.pdf](https://www.tucsonaz.gov/files/PROCLAMATION.pdf)

**City of Flagstaff**

- **Effective Date:** March 17, 2020 at 8:00pm
- **End Date:** April 2, 2020 at 12:00am
- **Specifics:** All restaurants, food courts, cafes, coffeehouses, retail food facilities, and other similar businesses and establishments are prohibited from serving food and beverages for consumption on premises. Members of the public are prohibited from entering and remaining to dine or consume beverages. Businesses that typically offer food and beverages for on-premises consumption are instead encouraged to offer food and beverage using delivery, window, drive-thru or drive-up service. If a business chooses to offer this type of “to-go” service, members of the public may remain on its premises for the purpose of picking up their food or beverage orders. The order also closes the following: Bars, taverns, brew pubs, breweries, microbreweries, distilleries, wineries, tasting rooms, special licensees, clubs, and other similar businesses and establishments offering alcoholic beverages for on-premise consumption.

- **Next Activity:** The City will reassess the need for the order prior to April 2.

**City of Sedona**

Sedona Mayor Orders Restaurant Dining Rooms Closed (March 18, 2020)

Earlier this afternoon, Sedona Mayor Sandy Moriarty announced that she had updated the city’s emergency proclamation which requires restaurant activities be restricted to carry-out, drive-thru, curbside pickup, and delivery.
• **Effective Date:** March 19, 2020 at 11:50PM

• **End Date:** April 1, 2020 at 12:00AM

• **Specifics:** All restaurants, food courts, cafes, coffeehouses, retail food facilities, and other similar businesses and establishments are prohibited from serving food and beverages on their premises. Businesses are encouraged to offer food and beverages using delivery service, window 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. The Mayor also order the closure of all bars, taverns, brew pubs, breweries, microbreweries, distilleries, wineries, tasting rooms, special licensees, clubs, and other similar businesses and establishments offering alcoholic beverages of spirituous liquor for consumption on-premises.

• **Next Activity:** The City will reassess the order prior to April 1.

• https://www.sedonaaz.gov/Home/Components/News/News/5071/473

**ARKANSAS**

Arkansas Department of Public Health: [http://www.healthy.arkansas.gov/Pages/default.aspx](http://www.healthy.arkansas.gov/Pages/default.aspx)

Arkansas Hospitality Association Resources: [https://www.arhospitality.org/coronavirus-resources.html](https://www.arhospitality.org/coronavirus-resources.html)


**CALIFORNIA**

California Department of Public Health: [https://www.cdph.ca.gov/](https://www.cdph.ca.gov/)

California Restaurant Association Resources: [https://www.calrest.org/coronavirus-resources](https://www.calrest.org/coronavirus-resources)

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

**Re-useable Containers:** It’s 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.”

The landscape is changing beneath our feet on Virus related limitations literally by the hour. Many California local governments continue to take further action for their counties and cities by adding enforcement provisions.

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

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, brewereries, 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:

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)

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.](http://www.ctdol.state.ct.us/DOLCOVIDFAQ.PDF)

**DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**

District of Columbia Department of Public Health: [http://doh.dc.gov/](http://doh.dc.gov/)

Restaurant Association of Metropolitan Washington Resources: [https://www.ramw.org/blog](https://www.ramw.org/blog)

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.](https://www.ramw.org/blog)
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.

Attention Montgomery County Restaurants. All restaurants licensed by the Montgomery County Board of License Commissioners may sell sealed containers of beer and wine for off-premises consumption along with a takeout or delivered meal: https://www.ramw.org/blog/montgomery-county-alcoholic-beverage-services-update.

**DELAWARE**

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

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

- 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/

Posted on March 17, 2020 - Today, Governor Ron DeSantis issued an Executive Order that will reduce density and crowds in restaurants, bars, nightclubs and beaches to mitigate the spread of Coronavirus (COVID-19).

**Bars and Nightclubs**

Under the direction of Governor DeSantis, all bars and nightclubs throughout Florida will close for the next 30 days. Department of Business and Professional Regulation (DBPR) will be enforcing and providing further guidance.
Restaurants

Restaurants across the state of Florida will now be required to limit customer entry to 50 percent of capacity. Seating must be staggered and limited to ensure seated parties are separated by a distance of at least six feet, in accordance with CDC guidelines. Restaurants are encouraged to remain open and expand take-out and delivery services. Additional information will be provided by DBPR.

For a PDF copy of the Executive Order, please click here. DBPR has also released requirements for restaurants, bars, and nightclubs.

MIAMI DADE COUNTY: Emergency Order 04-20
March 18- Gatherings of more than ten people in any parks, beaches or recreation facilities owned or operated by Miami-Dade County are prohibited for the duration of this order.

Emergency Order 03-20
March 17- Asking food service establishments, movie theaters, playhouses and general gathering places to close, with restaurant kitchens allowed to stay open for takeout and delivery orders.

Emergency Order 02-20
March 16- Asking food service establishments, movie theaters, playhouses and gathering places to close between 11 p.m. and 6 a.m.

Emergency Order 01-20
March 16- Asking for the closure of congregate meal sites and community centers while directing County staff to take all appropriate measures to provide food service to affected locations.

GEORGIA

Georgia Department of Public Health: http://dph.georgia.gov/

Georgia Restaurant Association Resources: https://www.garestaurants.org/news/covid19

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 Updates**

- 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)*
- City of Atlanta Executive Orders
  - $7 million fund to help those impacted
  - Limit on gathers of 50 people or more
  - 60 day moratorium on evictions & filings

**Athens Updates**

- A guide to Athens delivery, takeout, other services to support local during coronavirus *(Athens Banner-Herald)*

**Columbus Updates**

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

**Macon Updates**

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

**Savannah Updates**

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

**HAWAII**

Hawaii Department of Public Health: [http://hawaii.gov/health/](http://hawaii.gov/health/)

Hawaii Restaurant Association: [https://hawaiirestaurant.org/](https://hawaiirestaurant.org/)
• 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 islandwide 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.

IDAHO


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

Governor Inslee ordered a temporarily statewide shutdown on all dine in restaurants, bars, entertainment and recreational facilitates effective Monday March 16th.

• Restaurants may provide take-out and delivery services for food
• Ban doesn’t apply to grocery stores and pharmacies
• Limit the size of social gathering to 50 people or less
Illinois Department of Public Health: [http://www.idph.state.il.us/home.htm](http://www.idph.state.il.us/home.htm)


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](https://www.illinoisrestaurants.org/news/491097/Updated-Restaurant-Resources-for-Addressing-Coronavirus.htm) 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

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 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/

Indiana Restaurant & Lodging Association Coronavirus Resources: 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

KANSAS

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

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

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.

**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.

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

**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/)

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.

**New Orleans:**
In addition to the statewide restrictions:
- Dine-in services prohibited, food delivery, takeout and drive-thru services are permitted
- Malls, gyms, 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

**MASSACHUSETTS**


- 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

**MARYLAND**

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

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

- Gov. Larry Hogan announced throughout the state of Maryland the closure of all bars, dine-in restaurants, movie theaters and gyms 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.
MAINE

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


Governor Mills mandates a statewide restaurant closure HM will suggest that all restaurants transition to take out and curbside pickup. COVID-19 Guidelines. All restaurants and bars are mandated to close beginning the evening of Wednesday March 18 through March 31 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.

MICHIGAN

Michigan Health Department: https://www.michigan.gov/coronavirus

Michigan Restaurant Association Resources: https://www.mrla.org/coronavirus.html

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;
- Theaters, cinemas, and indoor and outdoor performance venues; Libraries and museums; Gymnasiums, fitness centers, recreation centers, indoor sports facilities, indoor exercise facilities, exercise studios, and spas;
- 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; Indoor and outdoor performances venues; Gymnasiums; Fitness centers; Recreation centers; Indoor exercise and sports facilities; Exercise studios; Spas; Casinos. 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/

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.

- 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/

Governor Mike Parson is not mandating closures for restaurants and bars statewide but is urging business to make responsible decisions if the business stays open.
Currently dine in restaurants are still open for business
Practice social distancing as much as possible

St. Louis and Kansas City:
Elected officials in the Greater St. Louis Metropolitan Area announced that dining rooms in restaurants and bars must close effective at midnight on Thursday, March 19, no ending time of suspension provided at this time.

- Delivery, carry-outs and drive-thru services are permitted.
- Restaurants in St. Louis City and County, plus the counties of St. Charles and Franklin are included in this plan.
- The St. Louis directive follows by one day a similar order by leaders in Kansas City and Jackson County, plus the Kansas counties of Johnson and Wyandotte. On March 17, Clay, Platte, and Cass counties also banned on premise dining. The decision will be reevaluated on April 1.

MISSISSIPPI

Mississippi State Department of Health: https://msdh.ms.gov/msdhsite/_static/14,0,420.html
Mississippi Hospitality Restaurant Association: http://www.msra.org/

- Ban of 50 people or more in public gatherings. Specifically targeted at large events and mass gathering such as conferences, festivals, parades, concerts, sporting events and weddings.
- As of March 16th Casinos are closed until further notice.

MONTANA

Montana Department of Health and Human Services: https://dphhs.mt.gov/
Montana Restaurant Association: https://mora.memberclicks.net/restaurant
Governor’s Coronavirus Task Force: https://covid19.mt.gov/

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/
Novel Coronavirus: Events, Public Gatherings and School Guidance:  

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.

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

Governor Stephen Sisolak announced that restaurants/bars can stay open providing they limit to 50 percent capacity and follow social distancing.

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/](https://www.dhhs.nh.gov/)

New Hampshire Lodging & Restaurant Association Coronavirus information:  
[https://www.nhla.com/covid-19-resources.html](https://www.nhla.com/covid-19-resources.html)

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](https://www.nhla.com/covid-19-resources.html) to read the official press release.

Takeout and Delivery Food Safety Guidelines:  

NEW JERSEY

New Jersey Department of Health:  [https://www.nj.gov/health/](https://www.nj.gov/health/)

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

On March 16, 2020, Governor Phil Murphy signed [Executive Order 104](https://www.nj.gov/governor/news/news/562020/approved/20200316c.shtml) 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:  

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](https://www.jerseycitynj.gov/news/curfew_on_liquor_establishments_to_control_crowds) 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/](https://nmhealth.org/)

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

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.

NEW YORK

New York State Department of Health:  [https://www.health.ny.gov/](https://www.health.ny.gov/)

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

- 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)

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.norla.org/coronavirus/](https://www.norla.org/coronavirus/)

- 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/](https://www.health.nd.gov/)


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.
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
As a reminder, the symptoms of COVID-19 include:
· Fever (with a temperature of or higher than 100.4 degrees Fahrenheit/38 degrees Celsius)
· Cough
· Shortness of breath

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).

Please don’t hesitate to reach out to us for guidance during this unprecedented time.

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/

Oklahoma Restaurant Association Coronavirus Information:  https://www.okrestaurants.com/coronavirus_information_and_re.php

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.  

NORMAN

Restaurant dining rooms shall be closed to the public, although pick-up and delivery options are encouraged.  

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

- 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 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

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

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

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.

Guidelines for takeout and delivery:


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

PROVIDENCE

Providence Department of Health:  https://health.ri.gov/communities/results.php?place=Providence
CRANSTON

Cranston Department of Health:  https://health.ri.gov/communities/results.php?place=Cranston

WARWICK

Warwick Department of Health:  https://health.ri.gov/communities/results.php?place=Warwick

SOUTH CAROLINA

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

South Carolina Restaurant Association Resources:

South Carolina: On Tuesday (March 17) Gov. Henry McMaster announced that all bars and restaurants state-wide 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 DAKOTA

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

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

- 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.

**TENNESSEE**

Tennessee Department of Public Health: [https://www.tn.gov/health.html](https://www.tn.gov/health.html)

Hospitality Tennessee Resources: [https://www.hospitalitytn.com/](https://www.hospitalitytn.com/)


**NASHVILLE**

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

**MEMPHIS**

Memphis (County) Health Department: [http://www.shelbytnhealth.com/](http://www.shelbytnhealth.com/)

For information on health care providers, individuals, the community, businesses and schools click here.

**KNOXVILLE**

Knoxville (County) Health Department: [https://knoxcounty.org/health/](https://knoxcounty.org/health/)

**TEXAS**

Texas Department of Public Health: [https://www.dshs.texas.gov/](https://www.dshs.texas.gov/)

Texas Restaurant Association: [http://www.txrestaurant.org/](http://www.txrestaurant.org/)

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 or 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:**

Local Health Entities Information: https://www.dshs.texas.gov/regions/2019-nCoV-Local-Health-Entities/

UTAH

Utah Department of Public Health: https://health.utah.gov/

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

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/](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](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/

- 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:

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/

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

RICHMOND

Richmond Department of Health: http://www.vdh.virginia.gov/richmond-city/

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/

Washington Hospitality Association Coronavirus Information: https://wahospitality.org/resources/coronavirus/

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.

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/
COVID-19 Frequently Asked Questions:

Social Distancing Order:

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

WISCONSIN

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

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

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.
MILWAUKEE

Milwaukee Department of Health:  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
- 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

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/

COVID-19 Control Recommendations Infographic

WYOMING

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

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

As the Wyoming Department of Health (WDH) continues to closely monitor the current coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) outbreak, priority protection recommendations are being shared with Wyoming residents. The department’s current priority recommendations include:

- Stay home when sick and avoid contact with other people unless you need medical attention.
• Follow advice from CDC on what to do if you think you may be sick due to COVID-19.

• Everyone should follow CDC recommendations on mass gatherings, which currently recommend cancelling or postponing events of more than 50 people.