NATIONAL CORONAVIRUS INFORMATION

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 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.

Many chains have already implemented this change and the Alabama Department of Public Health encouraged that other counties follow these recommendations in the latest press conference this morning.

If not in these counties, the Alabama Department of Public Health (ADPH) has made the following recommendations concerning public gatherings, food establishment and other retail venues, and businesses:
• No mass gatherings of 50 persons or more, or gatherings of any size that cannot maintain a consistent six-foot distance between participants (with exceptions noted below). This may include festivals, parades, assemblies, or sporting events.
• Senior adults or those with chronic health problems should avoid gatherings (outside of close family) of 10 or more persons, and should avoid travel by air, train or bus.
• For retail business, including restaurants, limit patronage at any one time to 50% of the normally allowable capacity. Restaurants should maintain a six-foot distance between tables.
• Public buildings should consider whether visitation may be limited. Hospitals, nursing homes and assisted living facilities are encouraged to implement visitation policies that protect vulnerable persons.
• All persons should consider whether out-of-state travel plans may be delayed or cancelled.
• Participants in religious services or events, weddings, funerals and family events should exercise prudence and maintain consistent six-foot distance between participants if possible.

While workplaces should attempt to heed to these recommendations whenever possible, it is understood that exceptions may be needed for essential government functions, municipal and state legislative bodies, and health care facilities including clinics, hospitals and pharmacies. Consider using means for electronic or video meetings in workplaces if possible.

ADPH continues to work with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and other agencies to provide guidance regarding COVID-19. To help prevent the spread of respiratory viruses including COVID-19, the public is urged to continue practicing social distancing and other precautionary measures, including:

• Wash hands with soap and water.
• Use alcohol-based hand sanitizers if handwashing is not possible.
• Cover your mouth and nose with a tissue, or cough or sneeze into your elbow.
• Avoid touching your eyes, nose or mouth with unwashed hands.
• Stay home when sick.
• Stay away from people who are sick.


Jefferson County

Effective Tuesday, March 17, 2020, any restaurant, bar, brewery or establishment that offers food or drink, including those in food courts, shall not permit on-premises consumption of food or drink for one week. This order shall be reevaluated prior to Tuesday, March 24, 2020 for possible modification.

  o Such 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.
  o Such establishments are strongly encouraged to offer online ordering and curbside pick-up of food.
Hospital food service areas are excluded from this order provided they have their own social distancing plan.

ALASKA

Alaska Department of Public Health: http://health.hss.state.ak.us


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, 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 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](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/

California Restaurant Association 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.

Restaurants/Cafeterias:

- Restaurants should be closed for in-restaurant seated dining and should be open only to drive-through or other pick-up/delivery options.
- Remind employees of best hygiene practices including washing their hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds.
- Increase frequency of cleaning and sanitizing per CDC Environmental Cleaning and Disinfection guidance of all hard surfaces, including tables and counter tops that are being utilized by employees and patrons during pickup/delivery options.

The full guidance is available here.

Los Angeles Area Guidance/Restrictions (Los Angeles, Long Beach City, Pasadena City, Kern County, Los Angeles County, Orange County, Santa Barbara County, San Luis Obispo County, Pasadena County): https://www.calrest.org/post/la-area-guidancerestriction

3/15 Los Angeles Mayor Eric Garcetti has just announced that the city is mandating a shutdown of all dine-in options and allowing only delivery, take-out, and drive-thru service. Public health leaders in Los Angeles and in other areas of the state are racing to slow the spread of the coronavirus.

Orange County

Restaurants and bars are closed for dine in through March 31. Delivery, drive thru and takeout are allowed.


Shelter In Place Public Health Order: https://sf.gov/stay-home-except-essential-needs

Mandatory legal order issued under the authority of California law. You are required to comply and it is a misdemeanor crime not to follow the order.
Requiring people to stay home except for essential needs.

Order in effect on March 17, 2020 through April 7, 2020.

Essential services to remain open:

- City/County government services: Police stations, fire stations, hospitals/clinics and healthcare operations, jails, courts, garbage/sanitation, transportation, utilities, and city offices.
- Gas stations
- Pharmacies
- Food: Grocery stores, farmers markets, food banks, convenience stores, take-out and deliver restaurants.
- Hardware stores/plumbers
- Banks
- Laundromats/laundry services

What’s closed:

- Dine-in restaurants
- Bars and nightclubs
- Entertainment venues
- Gyms and fitness studios

Southern California Guidance/Restrictions (counties of Imperial, Riverside and San Bernardino):
https://www.calrest.org/post/southern-ca-guidancerestriction

- Large gatherings with more 250 people are ordered canceled until April 30, 2020.
- If event includes senior citizens or the medically infirm, you should allow no more than 10 individuals.
- Smaller gatherings held in venues that do not allow social distancing of six feet per person should be postponed or canceled.
Governor Polis announced today (3/16) that the State is closing restaurants and bars to dine-in statewide. Delivery, take-out, walk-up service, drive-up service, and drive-through service will still be allowed.

This measure takes effect immediately, and will begin to be enforced at 8 a.m., March 17, and remains in place for 30 days - through April 17. This comes on the heels of Denver's closure order, which is effective from tomorrow at 8 a.m. through May 11.

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.

Governor Polis also confirmed the State will be enforcing CDC guidelines, including today's recommendation that gatherings of more than 10 be canceled.

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.

**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](http://doh.dc.gov/).

**DELAWARE**

Delaware Health Department: [https://dhss.delaware.gov/dhss/dph/index.html](https://dhss.delaware.gov/dhss/dph/index.html)

Delaware Restaurant Association Resources: [http://www.delawarerestaurant.org/covid19/](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.
- 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/)

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](https://www.restaurant.org/covid19).

**From the DBPR: RESTAURANTS**

Limit customer entry to 50% of capacity.
Stagger and limit seating to ensure seated parties are separated by a distance of at least 6 feet.
Encourage restaurants to continue and expand take-out and delivery services.
Screen all employees and prohibit entry for employees that answer "yes" to any of the following questions:

1. Have you returned from international travel or been on a cruise within the last 14 days?
2. Have you been in contact with anyone who has returned from international travel or been on a cruise within the last 14 days?
3. Have you been in any gathering of 50 people or more in the last 14 days?
4. Have you traveled to any area known to have high numbers of positive cases of COVID-19, including but not limited to California, Washington, New York, Massachusetts and Washington, D.C.?
5. Have you experienced signs or symptoms of COVID-19, such as fever, cough or shortness of breath?

**BARS AND NIGHTCLUBS**

All bars and nightclubs throughout the state will close for the next 30 days.

**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/](http://dph.georgia.gov/)

Georgia Restaurant Association Resources: [https://www.garestaurants.org/news/covid19](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](https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/guidance-for-community-events.html).

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](http://eateratlanta.com/) (**Eater Atlanta**)
- [Atlanta Restaurants Closing Temporarily or Operating at Reduced Capacity](http://eateratlanta.com/) (**Eater Atlanta**)
- [Atlanta Restaurants Temporarily Offering Curbside Pick-Up and Delivery](http://eateratlanta.com/) (**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

Macon Updates

- [Downtown Macon restaurants offering curbside pick-up](http://thetelegraph.com/) (**The Telegraph**)
HAWAII

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

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

3/17 To protect the public’s health and wellbeing, the Hawaii Department of Health is recommending for the next eight weeks that large, crowded gatherings or public events of 50 or more attendees be postponed, canceled or held virtually. When possible, attendees should be about two-arms-length or six feet apart. Elderly adults and those with underlying health conditions who are at a greater risk for COVID-19 infection or respiratory illnesses should avoid attending public gatherings.

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 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

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

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

Following Governor Pritzker’s Executive Order, the city of Chicago has issued additional guidance 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

• 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/

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/

Louisiana Restaurant Association: 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
- 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
Maryland Restaurant Association: 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.

All restaurants and bars are mandated to close beginning the evening of Wednesday March 18 through March 31 for all dine –in customers.

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, brewerries, 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/](https://health.mo.gov/)

Missouri Restaurant Association: [https://www.morestaurants.org/](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](https://msdh.ms.gov/msdhsite/_static/14,0,420.html)


- 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.

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/

New Hampshire Lodging & Restaurant Association Coronavirus information: https://www.nhlra.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 to read the official press release.


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

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/](https://nmhealth.org/)

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

As of 9am on Monday, March 16, 2020, the amended public health order directs that all restaurants, bars, breweries, eateries and other food establishments shall operate at no greater than 50 percent of maximum occupancy and no greater than 50 percent of seating capacity. In addition, tables and booths may not seat more than 6 people, and all occupied tables and booths must be separated by at least 6 feet. Patrons may not be seated at bars and standing patrons will not be served. Please [click here](#) for the amended public order.

**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 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/

North Carolina Restaurant & Lodging Association Coronavirus information: https://www.ncrla.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/


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.

OHIO

Ohio Department of Public Health: http://www.odh.ohio.gov/

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

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.  

• 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.  
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/](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](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/](http://www.health.ri.gov/)

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

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.

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

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


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.

MEMPHIS

Memphis (County) Health Department: 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/

TEXAS

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

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

The Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS) is working closely with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) in monitoring the new coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) that is causing an outbreak of respiratory illness worldwide.

DSHS recommends these everyday actions to help prevent the spread of any respiratory virus, including COVID-19:

- Wash hands often for 20 seconds and encourage others to do the same.
• If no soap and water are available, use hand sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol.
• Cover coughs and sneezes with a tissue, then throw the tissue away.
• Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands.
• Disinfect surfaces, buttons, handles, knobs, and other places touched often.
• Avoid close contact with people who are sick.

DSHS also recommends that you start practicing social distancing. Social distancing involves staying away from other people to avoid catching or spreading illness.

Texas Restaurant Association has created a county tracker for county/city restrictions and closures:

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

TEXAS MAJOR CITY UPDATES:

DALLAS

Bars must close. Restaurants are allowed to operate with drive-thru, delivery, and curbside only. Lift Date: 4/1.

EL PASO

All bars must close. Restaurants are allowed to operate with 50% of their fire capacity. 6 feet of spacing between tables and Open more than 6 to a table. Lift date: 4/17.

FORT BEND

Bars must close. Take out, delivery, and drive-thru services will be allowed. Lift date: 4/2.

GALVESTON

While Galveston county is open for business, the city of Galveston has closed all restaurants for the week of 3/18/2020-3/25/2020.

HOUSTON:

Houston Department of Health: https://www.houstontx.gov/health/

Mayor Turner and Judge Hidalgo ordered bars, nightclubs to close, and food-service establishments to stop in-service dining for 15 days, effective at 8 a.m. on March 17, 2020.

SAN ANTONIO
San Antonio Department of Health:  https://www.sanantonio.gov/HEALTH

3/16 Restricted mass gatherings to groups to less than 50. Bars, restaurants, public food places to implement social distancing including placing tables 6 ft away from each other and limiting bar seating and standing patrons consistent with the CDC social distancing guidelines.

Metropolitan Health District FAQ’s: https://www.sanantonio.gov/Health/News/Alerts/CoronaVirus#281783827-faq

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

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.

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:


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

MILWAUKEE

Milwaukee Department of Health:  https://city.milwaukee.gov/

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.