

Protocol for Bars: Appendix Y-1

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Recent Updates (Changes highlighted in yellow)

5/5/2021:

- Bars may reopen for indoor service. Indoor occupancy is 25% of maximum occupancy or 100 people, whichever is fewer, with modifications.
- Indoor and outdoor seating requirements are clarified.
- Televisions may be turned on in both indoor and outdoor seating areas.
- Live entertainment is allowed outdoors only. Indoor live entertainment is not permitted.

COVID-19 case rates, hospitalizations, and deaths have decreased some and appear to be stable, but COVID-19 continues to pose a high risk to communities and requires all people and businesses to take precautions and modify operations and activities to reduce the risk of spread.

Due to Los Angeles County entering the “Yellow Tier” of the State’s Blueprint for a Safer Economy framework, this protocol has been developed to lift some local activity-specific restrictions. Businesses should proceed with caution and adhere to the requirements in this protocol to reduce the potential spread of COVID-19 within their business operations.

This protocol and its requirements below are specific to the reopening of bars that are permitted by the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health as a low-risk restaurant.

- Bars that offer on-site meal service must adhere to all requirements for dining in the [Protocols for Restaurants: Appendix I](#). Bars that are currently authorized to sell beer, wine, or spirits to be consumed off premises are required to also follow [Protocols for Retail Establishments: Appendix B](#).
- Bars must discontinue any game operations, including but not limited to bowling alleys, dart boards, and pool tables, among others, until these activities are permitted to open in modified or full operation.
- Wineries and breweries that produce wine or beer with premises set aside for wine or beer tasting that are exempt from the definition of a food facility by California Health and Safety Code Section 113789(c)(5) and do not require a health permit to operate are required to follow [Protocols for Breweries, Wineries, and Craft Distilleries](#).
- Bars may host Outdoor Seated Live Events or Performances in compliance with the LA County DPH [Protocol for Outdoor Seated Live Events and Performances](#).

All bars operating pursuant to this protocol may be open for outdoor service and indoor service at 25% occupancy or 100 people, whichever is fewer, with modifications required by this protocol.

COVID-19 is mostly spread when people are physically near a person with COVID-19 or have direct contact with that person. When people with COVID-19 cough, sneeze, sing, talk, or breathe, they produce respiratory droplets. And, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the risk of COVID-19 spread increases in any setting where individuals remove their face masks while eating and drinking and there is increased interaction with those who do not live in the same household.

- **Lowest Risk:** Food/beverage service limited to drive-through, delivery, take-out, and curbside pick-up.
- **More Risk:** Drive-through, delivery, take-out, and curbside pick-up emphasized. On-site dining/beverage service limited to outdoor seating. Seating capacity reduced to allow tables to be spaced further apart.

- **Higher Risk:** On-site dining/drinking with indoor seating capacity reduced to allow tables to be spaced further apart. And/or on-site dining/drinking with outdoor seating, but tables not spaced further apart.
- **Highest Risk:** On-site dining/drinking with indoor seating. Seating capacity is not reduced, and tables not spaced further apart.

In the protocols that follow, the term “household” is defined as “persons living together as a single living unit” and shall not include institutional group living situations such as dormitories, fraternities, sororities, monasteries, convents, or residential care facilities, nor does it include such commercial living arrangements such as boarding houses, hotels, or motels.¹ The terms “staff” and “employee” are meant to include employees, volunteers, interns and trainees, scholars and all other individuals who carry out work at the site. The term “visitors” or “customers” should be understood to include members of the public and others who are not staff or employees who spend time at the business or site. The terms “establishment”, “site”, and “facility” both refer to the building, grounds, and any adjacent buildings or grounds at which permitted activities are conducted. “LACDPH” is the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health.

In the protocols that follow, people are considered “fully vaccinated” *:

- 2 weeks or more after their second dose in a 2-dose COVID-19 vaccine series, such as the Pfizer or Moderna, or
- 2 weeks or more after a single-dose COVID-19 vaccine, such as Johnson & Johnson (J&J)/ Janssen.

* This applies to COVID-19 vaccines currently authorized for emergency use by the Food and Drug Administration: Pfizer-BioNTech, Moderna, and Johnson and Johnson (J&J)/Janssen COVID-19 vaccines. This guidance can also be applied to COVID-19 vaccines that have been authorized for emergency use by the World Health Organization (e.g. AstraZeneca/Oxford). See [WHO's website](#) for more information about WHO-authorized COVID-19 vaccines.

In addition to the conditions imposed on Bars by the State Public Health Officer, Bars must also be in compliance with these safety and infection control protocols.

Please note: This document may be updated as additional information and resources become available so be sure to check the LA County website <http://www.ph.lacounty.gov/media/Coronavirus/> regularly for any updates to this document and related guidance.

This checklist covers:

- (1) Workplace policies and practices to protect employee health
- (2) Measures to ensure physical distancing
- (3) Measures to ensure infection control
- (4) Communication with employees and the public
- (5) Measures to ensure equitable access to critical services.

These five key areas must be addressed as your facility develops any reopening protocols.

¹ Los Angeles County Code, Title 22. §22.14.060 - F. Family definition. (Ord. 2019-0004 § 1, 2019.)

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All facilities covered by this protocol must implement all applicable measures listed below and be prepared to explain why any measure that is not implemented is not applicable to the business.

Business name: _____

Facility Address: _____

Prior Maximum Occupancy: _____

Occupancy Limit: _____

Date Posted: _____

**A. WORKPLACE POLICIES AND PRACTICES TO PROTECT EMPLOYEE HEALTH
(CHECK ALL THAT APPLY TO THE FACILITY)**

- Everyone who can carry out their work duties from home has been directed to do so.
- Vulnerable staff (those above age 65, those who are pregnant, and those with chronic health conditions) are assigned work that can be done from home whenever possible and should discuss any concerns with their healthcare provider or occupational health services to make appropriate decisions on returning to the workplace.
- All employees have been told not to come to work if sick or if they are required to quarantine after being exposed to a person who has COVID-19.
- Entry screenings are conducted before employees, vendors, and delivery personnel may enter the workspace, in accordance with the LACDPH [Entry Screening guidance](#). Screenings must include a check-in concerning cough, shortness of breath, difficulty breathing and fever or chills and whether the individual is currently under isolation and quarantine orders. These check-ins can be done remotely or in person upon the employees' arrival. A temperature check should also be done at the worksite if feasible.
 - Negative Screen (Cleared). If the person has no symptom(s) and no contact with a known COVID-19 case in the last 10 days, they can be cleared to enter for that day.
 - Positive Screen (Not Cleared):
 - If the person was not fully vaccinated² against COVID-19 and had contact with a known COVID-19 case in the last 10 days or is currently under quarantine orders, they may not enter or work in the field and must be sent home immediately to quarantine at home. Provide them with the quarantine instructions found at ph.lacounty.gov/covidquarantine.
 - If the person is showing any of the symptoms noted above or is currently under isolation orders, they may not enter or work in the field and must be sent home immediately to isolate at home. Provide them with the isolation instructions found at ph.lacounty.gov/covidisolation.
- Workers are provided information on employer or government-sponsored leave benefits the employee may be entitled to receive that would make it financially easier to stay at home. See additional information on [government programs supporting sick leave and worker's compensation for COVID-19, including employee's sick leave rights under the 2021 COVID-19 Supplemental Paid Sick Leave Law](#).
- Upon being informed that one or more employees test positive for or has symptoms consistent with COVID-19 (case), the employer has a plan or protocol in place to have the case(s) isolate themselves at home and require the immediate self-quarantine of all employees that had a workplace exposure to the case(s). The employer's plan should consider a protocol for all quarantined employees to have access to or be tested for COVID-19 in order to determine whether there have been additional workplace exposures, which may require additional COVID-19 control measures. See the public health guidance on [responding to COVID-19 in the](#)

² People are considered fully vaccinated against COVID-19 two (2) weeks or more after they have received the second dose in a 2-dose series (e.g., Pfizer-BioNTech or Moderna), or two (2) weeks or more after they have received a single-dose vaccine (e.g., Johnson and Johnson [J&J]/Janssen).

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- In the event that the owner, manager, or operator knows of three (3) or more cases of COVID-19 within the workplace within a span of 14 days the employer must report this cluster to the Department of Public Health at (888) 397-3993 or (213) 240-7821 or online at www.redcap.link/covidreport. If a cluster is identified at the worksite, the Department of Public Health will initiate a cluster response which includes providing infection control guidance and recommendations, technical support, and site-specific control measures. A public health case manager will be assigned to the cluster investigation to help guide the facility response.
- Employees who have contact with others are offered, at no cost, an appropriate face mask that covers the nose and mouth. For more information, see LAC DPH COVID-19 Mask webpage at <http://publichealth.lacounty.gov/acd/ncorona2019/masks>. The face mask is to be worn by the employee at all times during the workday when in contact or likely to come into contact with others. Employees who have been instructed by their medical provider that they should not wear a face mask should wear a face shield with a drape on the bottom edge, to be in compliance with State directives, as long as their condition permits it. A drape that is form fitting under the chin is preferred. Masks with one-way valves should not be used.
- Employees are instructed on the proper use and care of the face mask, including wearing it over both the nose and mouth and the need to wash or replace their face masks daily.
- Face shields are provided and worn by all wait staff and other employees who are or may come into contact with customers (this includes but is not limited to hosts, hostesses, and wait staff who interact with customers as well as other employees like bussers, runners, and others who may enter the front-of-the-house area). The face shield is to be worn in addition to the face mask. Face masks protect others from the wearer's droplets; face shields help protect the wearer from other's droplets. Face shields are optional for employees that show acceptable proof of full vaccination to their employer; wearing a face mask is still required. For fully vaccinated employees who have shown proof of their full vaccination against COVID-19 and choose not to wear a face shield, the employer should create and keep a written record that documents that each of these employees has shown them acceptable proof of full vaccination. The employer does not need to keep a copy of the proof of full vaccination shown.
 - People are considered fully vaccinated for COVID-19 at ≥ 2 weeks after they have received the second dose in a 2-dose series (Pfizer-BioNTech or Moderna), or ≥ 2 weeks after they have received a single-dose vaccine (Johnson and Johnson [J&J]/Janssen)
 - The following are acceptable for the employee to show their employer as proof of full vaccination for COVID-19: Vaccination card (which includes name of person vaccinated, type of vaccine provided and date last dose administered) OR a photo of a vaccination card as a separate document OR a photo of the attendee's vaccine card stored on a phone or electronic device OR documentation of full vaccination from a healthcare provider (which includes name of person vaccinated and confirms that the person is fully vaccinated for COVID-19).
- Face shields are to be used, cleaned, and disinfected per manufacturer's directions.
- To ensure that face masks are worn consistently and correctly, employees are prohibited from eating or drinking except during their breaks when they are able to safely remove their masks and physically distance from others. At all times when eating or drinking, employees must maintain at least a six-foot distance from others. When eating or drinking, it is preferred to do so outdoors and away from others.
- The number of employees serving individual customers or groups should be limited in compliance with wage and hour regulations.
- Occupancy is reduced and space between employees is maximized in any room or area used by employees for meals and/or breaks. This has been achieved by:
 - Posting a maximum occupancy that is consistent with enabling a distance of at least six feet between individuals in rooms or areas used for breaks;
 - Staggering break or mealtimes to reduce occupancy in rooms or areas used for meals and breaks; and

- Placing tables at least eight feet apart, removing, or taping seats to reduce occupancy, placing markings on floors to assure distancing, and arranging seating in a way that minimizes face-to-face contact. Use of partitions is encouraged to further prevent spread but should not be considered a substitute for reducing occupancy and maintaining physical distancing.
- Employees are directed to ensure hand hygiene practices including hand wash frequency, use of hand sanitizer and proper glove use are adhered to.
- Employees are allowed time to wash their hands frequently.
- Employees are reminded to cover coughs and sneezes with a tissue. Used tissue should be thrown in the trash and hands washed immediately with soap and warm water for at least 20 seconds.
- All employees, vendors and delivery personnel have been provided instructions regarding maintaining physical distancing and the use of face masks when around others.
- Break rooms, restrooms and other common areas are disinfected at the below frequency, but no less than once per day during operating hours, on the following schedule:
 - Break rooms _____
 - Restrooms _____
 - Other _____
- Disinfectant and related supplies are available to employees at the following location(s):

- Hand sanitizer effective against COVID-19 is available to all employees at the following location(s):

- Copies of this Protocol have been distributed to all employees.
- Optional—Describe other measures:

B. MEASURES TO ENSURE PHYSICAL DISTANCING

Indoor Seating Areas:

- The number of customers in an indoor seating area is limited to 25% of the indoor occupancy or a maximum of 100 attendees, whichever is lower. Where feasible, parking lots are reconfigured to limit congregation points and ensure proper separation.
 - Maximum number of customers in the indoor seating area is limited to: _____
- To ensure physical distancing of at least 6 feet between customers seated at different tables, tables must be spaced at least six (6) feet apart, measured from the back of the chair at one table to the back of the chair at the adjacent table while customers are seated. This also allows for passing room between tables and accounts for chairs being pushed out and occupied by customers seated at the table. Plexiglass or other barriers do not substitute for the required distance between tables and between customers. See “Examples of approved seating arrangements within the allowable occupancy” section below.
- On-site indoor seating at a table shall be limited to no more than six (6) people in the same party. All people seated at an indoor table must be members of the same household and, thus, do not have to sit six feet apart from each other. Prior to seating, the host shall verbally inform the party that everyone sharing an indoor table must be from the same household.
- If all members of a party attest to and show proof of being fully vaccinated against COVID-19 prior to being seated, they may be seated together with up to six (6) people per table and from up to six (6) different households. Customers that have attested to full vaccination must show the operator the required verification, which is a photograph identification and a proof of full vaccination, such as their vaccination

card (which includes the name of person vaccinated, type of vaccination provided and date last dose administered) or a photo of their vaccination card as a separate document or a photo of the attendee's vaccine card stored on a phone or electronic device, or documentation of their full vaccination against COVID—19 from a healthcare provider, before they may be seated together.

Outdoor Seating Area:

- The number of customers in an outdoor seating area is low enough to ensure physical distancing. Tables in the outdoor seating area must be arranged to allow for at least six (6) feet distance between tables, measured from the back of the chair at one table to the back of the chair at the adjacent table where customers are seated. Plexiglas or other barriers do not substitute for the required distance between tables and customers. See "Examples of approved seating arrangements within the allowable occupancy" section below.
- Maximum number of customers in the outdoor seating area is limited to: _____, as determined by the total number of seats available after tables are spaced as described above and with a maximum of **eight (8)** seats at each table.
- On-site outdoor seating at a table shall be limited to no more than **eight (8)** people in the same party. All people seated at an outdoor table may be from no more than three different households. Prior to seating, the host shall verbally inform the party that everyone sharing a table may be from no more than three households.
- If all members of a party attest to and show proof of being fully vaccinated against COVID-19, they may be seated together, up to eight (8) people per table and from up to eight (8) different households. Customers that have attested to full vaccination must show the operator the required verification, which is a photograph identification and a proof of full vaccination, such as their vaccination card (which includes the name of person vaccinated, type of vaccination provided and date last dose administered) or a photo of their vaccination card as a separate document or a photo of the attendee's vaccine card stored on a phone or electronic device, or documentation of their full vaccination against COVID-19 from a healthcare provider, before they may be seated together.
- The facility operator must strictly and continuously meter entry and exit of customers at all entrances to the outdoor seating area in order to track occupancy to ensure compliance with capacity limits. Operators that are insufficiently or not metering or appear to be over-capacity, may, at the discretion of the public health inspector, be temporarily closed until these issues are rectified as determined by the onsite health inspector. Where possible, provide a single, clearly designated entrance and separate exits to help maintain distancing.
- Be prepared to queue customers outside while still maintaining physical distance, including the use of visual cues. If necessary, an employee (or employees if there is more than one entrance) wearing a face mask may be posted near the door but at least 6 feet from the nearest customers to track occupancy and to direct customers to line up six feet apart outside the entrance if the establishment has reached its occupancy limit or until their reservation time.
- Facilities utilizing any outdoor structures must comply with the State's criteria for an outdoor setting, as specified in the California Department of Health's mandatory guidance on [Use of Temporary Structures for Outdoor Business Operations](#). Outdoor structures that do not meet the State's criteria for an outdoor setting are classified as indoor settings and are limited to 25% capacity.
- Bar counters used for the purposes of preparing or serving alcoholic beverages are closed to beverage service at the counter.
- Televisions or other screens located **in the indoor or outdoor seating area** may be used for customer viewing.
- Outdoor live entertainment must follow the requirements for outdoor live entertainment in the Protocol for Restaurant, Appendix I. Indoor live entertainment is not permitted.**

- Facilities may not host **indoor** receptions, banquets, or other coordinated, organized or invited events, or gatherings of any type.
- Where possible, provide a single, clearly designated entrance and separate exits to help maintain physical distancing.
- Measures to ensure physical distancing are adhered to where customers or employees are in a queue. This includes check-stands and terminals, counter lines, restrooms, elevator lobbies, host stands and waiting areas, valet drop off and pickup, and any other areas where customers congregate.
 - Placing tape or other markings at 6-foot intervals in any area where members of the public may form a line or stand.
 - Establish directional hallways and passageways for foot traffic, if possible, to eliminate employees and customers from passing by one another.
 - If possible, an employee wearing both a face shield and face mask is posted near the above areas, but at least 6 feet from the nearest customers, to monitor that physical distancing procedures are adhered to.
- Technology solutions where possible have been implemented to reduce person-to-person interaction; mobile ordering and menu tablets, text on arrival for seating, contactless payment options.
- Design interaction between customers, delivery drivers and employees to allow for physical distancing.
 - Floors in and outside of the restaurant in areas when customers, vendors, delivery personnel or others may wait for are marked to enable and enforce physical distancing.
 - The use of contactless processes for pickup and delivery and other electronic systems for guest interactions have been implemented, where possible.
 - Interactions between employees and customers are limited to a maximum of five minutes per occurrence, where possible.
- Limit contact between staff and customers.
 - Install physical barriers such as partitions or plexiglass at registers, host stands, ordering counters, etc., where maintaining physical distance of six feet is difficult.
 - Limit the number of employees serving individual parties.
- Discourage employees and customers from congregating in high traffic areas such as bathrooms, hallways, bar areas, reservation, and credit card terminals, etc.
- Physical distancing protocols should be used in any office areas, kitchens, pantries, walk-in freezers, or other high density high-traffic employee areas.
 - Incidental contact is to be expected, however, the goal is to limit this to less than 15 minutes, preferably 10 minutes, and the employees are always wearing their face masks.

C. MEASURES FOR INFECTION CONTROL

PRIOR TO OPENING

- The HVAC system has been inspected by an HVAC Specialist within 30 days of reopening and is in good, working order; to the maximum extent possible, ventilation has been increased. Effective ventilation is one of the most important ways to control small aerosol transmission.
 - Consider installing portable high-efficiency air cleaners, upgrading the building's air filters to the highest efficiency possible, and making other modifications to increase the quantity of outside air and ventilation in all working areas.
 - See California Department of Public Health [Interim Guidance for Ventilation, Filtration and Air Quality in Indoor Environments](#) for detailed information.
 - Please Note: Ventilation and other indoor air quality improvements are an addition to, and not a

replacement for, mandatory protections including wearing face masks (except in certain high-risk environments that require using proper respiratory protection), maintaining at least six feet of distance between people, washing hands frequently, and limiting activities that bring together people from different households.

- For facilities that have not been operating, flush each of the hot and cold-water fixtures for five minutes prior to reopening to replace stale water in the facility's plumbing with a fresh and safe water supply.
- Facility has been thoroughly cleaned and sanitized/disinfected (using products approved for use against COVID-19), especially if it's been closed.
 - Procure options for third-party cleaning company to assist with the increased cleaning demand, as needed.
- Spaces such as seating areas, host stands, and beverage preparation areas have been equipped with proper sanitation products, including hand sanitizer and sanitizing wipes for all employees directly assisting customers.
 - Ensure sanitary facilities stay operational and stocked at all times and provide additional soap, paper towels, and hand sanitizer when needed.
 - Recommend installing touchless dispensers for hand sanitizer, soap dispensers, paper towel and trash dispenser.
- Drop-off locations are designated to receive deliveries away from high traffic areas. Person-to-person contact for delivery of goods has been eliminated whenever possible.

FOOD SAFETY CONSIDERATIONS

- All food safety practices outlined in the California Retail Food Code (CRFC) are being followed and maintained.
 - Keep hot food hot (135 °F or above) and cold food cold (41 °F or below).
 - Thoroughly cook foods as required in the CRFC.
 - Clean and sanitize utensils and equipment at the required frequency outlined in the CRFC.
 - Adhere to employee health and hygiene practices: Don't work when ill; wash hands frequently; gloves used as required in the CRFC.
 - Ensure all food and food ingredients are from an approved food source.
 - Food preparation employees are discouraged from changing or entering others' workstations during shifts.
- Self-service machines, such as soda machines are dispensed by a food employee and contact surfaces are cleaned and sanitized on an hourly basis.
- Areas where customers may congregate or touch food or food ware items that other customers may use have been closed. These items are provided to customers individually and discarded or cleaned and disinfected after each use, as appropriate. This includes but is not limited to:
 - Self-service areas with condiment caddies, utensil caddies, napkins, lids, straws, to-go containers, etc.
 - Self-service food areas, such as salsa bars, salad bars or buffet-style, including food sampling.
 - After-meal mints candies, snacks, or toothpicks for customers. These are offered with the check or provided only on request.
- A designated food employee is assigned the task of wrapping silverware prior to providing to the customer, rather than multiple employees handling uncovered silverware prior to customer use.

- Refilling beverages at the table or from common containers (e.g., pitchers, carafes, decanters, bottles) is not allowed. Clean glassware is provided for customer refills.

FACILITY CONSIDERATIONS

- Restrooms are checked regularly and cleaned and disinfected at least once per day or as often as determined is necessary using approved EPA disinfectants.
- A food employee per shift is designated to oversee and enforce additional sanitization and disinfection procedures, as needed.
- A cleaning and disinfection plan for high-touch surfaces and access areas has been developed and is followed.
 - Common areas and frequently touched objects related to customer pickup and payment (e.g., tables, doorknobs or handles, credit card readers) are disinfected at least once per day during business hours using EPA approved disinfectants.
- Increase cleaning and disinfection for surfaces that are in high traffic areas or for surfaces that are exposed to unmasked individuals.** Facility is thoroughly cleaned and sanitized/disinfected (using products approved for use against COVID-19) nightly. A log is kept to monitor for completion wherever possible.
- Audio headsets and other equipment are not shared between employees unless the equipment is properly disinfected after each use. Consult equipment manufacturers to determine appropriate disinfection steps.
- Dishwashers are provided with equipment to protect their eyes, nose, and mouth from contamination due to splash using a combination of face masks, protective glasses, and/or face shields. Dishwashers are provided impermeable aprons and required to change frequently. Reusable protective equipment such as face shields and glasses are to be properly disinfected between uses.
- Hand sanitizer and trash cans are available to the public at or near the entrance of the outdoor beverage service area.

CUSTOMER AREAS/ SERVICE AREAS

- Customers are instructed that they must wear face masks whenever they are not drinking; this includes upon entry to the **indoor or** outdoor seating areas, when walking anywhere in the **indoor or** outdoor seating **areas**, and when using the restrooms. This applies to all adults and to children over age 2. Individuals who have been instructed by their medical provider that they should not wear a face mask must wear a face shield with a drape on the bottom edge, to be in compliance with State directives, as long as their condition permits it. A drape that is form fitting under the chin is preferred. Masks with one-way valves must not be used. To support the safety of your employees and other visitors, a face mask should be made available to visitors who arrive without them.
 - Customers may remove face masks only while seated at a table and **eating or** drinking.
 - Customers must be seated to consume any beverages. Customers may not walk around or stand while **eating or** drinking.
 - Customers who refuse to wear a face mask may be refused service and asked to leave **the premises**.
- Customer Instructions. Establishments must place a sign or card (no smaller than 3 x 5 inches) at the table with at least the following or substantially similar instructions after sanitizing each table between customer parties:

“Help us keep our business open, protect our staff, and protect fellow customers by following our simple guidelines:

 - Keep your mask on until your drinks are served and after finishing it/them.
 - Put your mask on whenever a server approaches your table.
 - Put your mask on whenever you leave your table.

- Wash or sanitize your hands.

Thank you for helping protect the health of our staff and your fellow customers!”

An example COVID-19 Table Top Safety Graphic is available for download at: <http://publichealth.lacounty.gov/media/Coronavirus/docs/food/TableTop.pdf>. Other options, such as signage, digital boards, among others, may be used in the beverage service area to inform and remind customers of these instructions as they are seated and throughout their time at the establishment.

- Music or television volume is adjusted to ensure that wait staff are able to hear customer orders without having to lean into the customer.
 - Entry screenings are conducted before customers may enter the facility. Checks must include a check-in concerning cough, shortness of breath, difficulty breathing and fever or chills, and whether the individual is currently under isolation or quarantine orders. These checks can be done in person or through alternative methods such as on-line check in systems or through [signage](#) posted at the entrance to the facility stating that visitors with these symptoms should not enter the premises.
 - Negative Screen (Cleared). If the person has no symptom(s) and no contact with a known COVID-19 case in the last 10 days, they can be cleared to enter for that day.
 - Positive Screen (Not Cleared):
 - If the person has had contact with a known COVID-19 case in the last 10 days or is currently under quarantine orders, they may not enter and must return home immediately to quarantine. Provide them with the quarantine instructions found at ph.lacounty.gov/covidquarantine.
 - If the person is showing any of the symptoms noted above or is currently under isolation orders, they may not enter and must be sent home immediately to isolate at home. Provide them with the isolation instructions found at ph.lacounty.gov/covidisolation.
 - Servers, bussers, and other employees moving items used by customers (dirty cups, plates, napkins, etc.) or handling trash bags are to wash their hands after completing this task and are provided aprons which they must change frequently.
 - Reusable menus are cleaned and disinfected between customers. Alternatives such as stationary menu boards, electronic menus, or mobile device downloadable menus should be considered.
 - Customer seating areas are cleaned and sanitized after each use. Seating, tables, and other items on table must be single-use or cleaned/sanitized between customers. Each table has either a top cloth replaced between guests or a hard-non-porous surface which is sanitized between guests.
 - Takeout containers are filled by customers and available only upon request.
 - Cashless transactions are encouraged. If reasonable for the facility, customers are enabled to swipe their own credit/debit cards, and card readers are fully sanitized between each guest use.
 - Dirty linens used at customer tables such as tablecloths and napkins should be removed after each customer use. Employees should wear gloves when handling dirty linens.
 - Optional - Describe other measures (e.g., providing senior-only hours, incentivizing non-peak sales):
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D. MEASURES THAT COMMUNICATE TO THE PUBLIC

- A copy of this protocol or the facility's printed Los Angeles County COVID-19 Safety Compliance Certificate is posted at all public entrances to the facility. For more information or to complete the COVID-19 safety compliance self-certification program, visit <http://publichealth.lacounty.gov/eh/covid19cert.htm>. Facilities must keep a copy of the Protocols onsite at the facility for review, upon request.
- Signage is posted at all entrances that reminds customers to maintain physical distancing of six feet, wash hands or use sanitizer upon entry into a restaurant, to wear a face mask when not eating or drinking, and to stay home if they are ill or have symptoms consistent with COVID-19. See the [County DPH COVID-19 Guidance webpage](#) for additional resources and examples of signage that can be used by businesses.
- Online outlets of the establishment (website, social media, etc.) provide clear information about facility hours, required use of face masks, policies in regard to preordering, reservations, prepayment, pickup and/or delivery and other relevant issues.

E. MEASURES THAT ENSURE EQUITABLE ACCESS TO CRITICAL SERVICES

- Services that are critical to the customers/clients have been prioritized.
- Transactions or services that can be offered remotely have been moved on-line.
- Measures are instituted to assure access to goods and services for customers who have mobility limitations and/or are at high risk in public spaces.

**Any additional measures not included above should be listed on separate pages,
which the business should attach to this document.**

You may contact the following person with any questions or comments about this protocol:

Business Contact

Name:

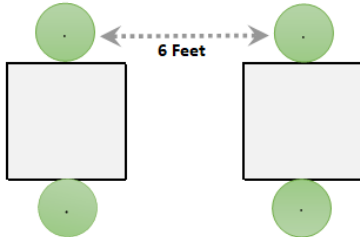
Phone number:

Date Last Revised:

Seating Diagrams

These six (6) diagrams are intended to be used as examples for indoor and outdoor seating. Barriers may not be used to decrease space between tables to increase seating capacity. Separating tables by 8 feet edge to edge will ensure physical distancing of at least 6 feet between customers from different households.

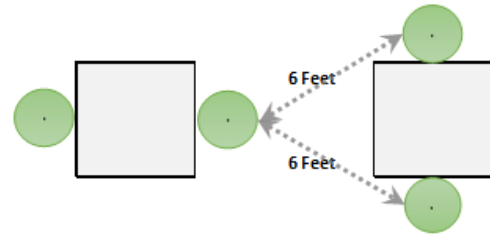
DIAGRAM 1



Side by side

6 feet between chairs
 Edge of chair to edge of chair

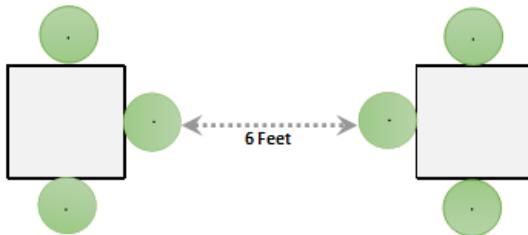
DIAGRAM 2



Perpendicular Seating

6 feet between customer seat adjacent table seats
 Edge of chair to edge of chair

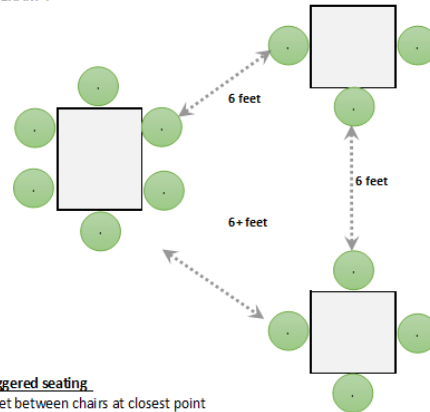
DIAGRAM 3



Side by side

6 feet between chairs backs placed back to back

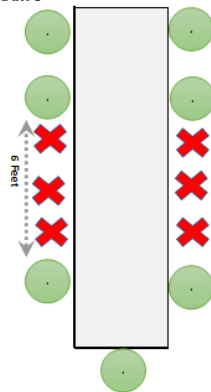
DIAGRAM 4



Staggered seating

6 feet between chairs at closest point
 Applies to any shape of table

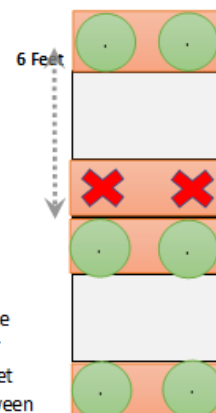
DIAGRAM 5



Communal Style table, no barriers

6 feet to closest member of another party
 Edge of chair to edge of chair

DIAGRAM 6



Booths

Fixed booths can be seated to allow for a minimum of 6 feet of separation between customers