



**CHAD SIMS
HARRISON COUNTY JUDGE**

**New Declaration of Local Disaster and Public Health Emergency Related to
Communicable Disease
June 4, 2020**

WHEREAS, on March 26, 2020, I, Chad Sims, as County Judge of Harrison County, Texas, issued a Declaration of Local Disaster and Public Health Emergency for the County of Harrison resulting from the global pandemic of the novel coronavirus designated SARS-CoV2 which causes the disease COVID-19; and,

WHEREAS, on April 1, 2020 the Harrison County Commissioner's Court confirmed the March 26, 2020 Disaster Declaration; and,

WHEREAS, on March 31, 2020, I, Chad Sims, Harrison County Judge, issued a Stay-at-Home Order; and,

WHEREAS, on April 27, 2020, Texas Governor Greg Abbott issued Executive Order GA-18 to take effect upon the expiration of Executive Order GA-16 at 11:59 p.m. on April 30, 2020, and set forth a strategic plan to Open Texas as of May 1, 2020 at 12:01 a.m.; and,

WHEREAS, on May 5, 2020, Texas Governor Abbott issued Executive Order No. GA-21 providing further direction regarding services as part of the safe, strategic plan to Open Texas in response to the COVID-19 disaster.

WHEREAS, on May 18, 2020 Texas Governor Greg Abbott issued Executive Order GA-23 relating to the expanded opening of Texas in response to the COVID-19 disaster.

WHEREAS, on June 3, 2020, Texas Governor Greg Abbott issued Executive Order No. GA-26 relating to the expanded opening of Texas in response to the COVID-19 disaster; and

WHEREAS, on June 3, 2020 in connection with Executive Order No. GA-26, the State of Texas issued minimum standard health protocols for various social circumstances as attached hereto.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED BY CHAD SIMS, COUNTY JUDGE OF HARRISON COUNTY, TEXAS:

1. This and any future Declaration of a Public Health Emergency Related to Communicable Disease for Harrison County, Texas will adhere to executive orders and guidelines issued by the Governor of Texas.
2. This Declaration of Local Disaster and Public Health Emergency shall continue in effect until the Harrison County Commissioner's Court terminates its consent to the continuation of this Declaration or until this Declaration is terminated by order of the County Judge, whichever occurs first.
3. Pursuant to §418.108(d) of the Texas Government Code, this amendment to the aforesaid Declaration of Local Disaster and Public Health Emergency continues to activate the Emergency Management Plan.
4. Pursuant to Local Disaster Declaration on March 26, 2020, the County Judge is authorized, without further action of the Commissioners Court, to exercise any powers, take any actions and issue any orders authorized by law, including but not limited to, any measures authorized by Chapter 418 of the Texas Government Code, including without limitation §418.108 and §418.1015 of said chapter.
5. The County of Harrison shall promptly provide copies of this Order by posting it on the County website. In addition, the owner, manager, or operator of any facility that is likely to be impacted by this Order is strongly encouraged to post a copy of this Order onsite and to provide a copy to any member of the public asking for a copy.
6. If any subsection, sentence, clause, phrase, or word of this Order or any application of it to any person, structure, gathering, or circumstance is held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a decision of a court of competent jurisdiction, then such decision will not affect the validity of the remaining portions or applications of this Order.
7. Except as expressly provided otherwise herein, this Order shall take effect immediately from and after its issuance and remain in place until further notice. This Order supersedes any and all prior orders or portions of prior orders by the County Judge that are in conflict with it.

PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED THIS 4th DAY OF JUNE, 2020



Chad Sims
Harrison County Judge

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CHECKLIST FOR ADULT RECREATIONAL SPORTS OPERATORS

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About minimum health protocols:

Adult recreational sports may operate in Texas. Spectators should maintain at least 6 feet social distancing from individuals not within the spectator's group.

The following are the minimum recommended health protocols for all adult recreational sports in Texas. Adult recreational sports operators may adopt additional protocols consistent with their specific needs and circumstances to help protect the health and safety of all employees, contractors, volunteers and participants.

The virus that causes COVID-19 can be spread to others by infected persons who have few or no symptoms. Even if an infected person is only mildly ill, the people they spread it to may become seriously ill or even die, especially if that person is 65 or older with pre-existing health conditions that place them at higher risk. Because of the hidden nature of this threat, everyone should rigorously follow the practices specified in these protocols, all of which facilitate a safe and measured reopening of Texas. The virus that causes COVID-19 is still circulating in our communities. We should continue to observe practices that protect everyone, including those who are most vulnerable.

Please note, public health guidance cannot anticipate every unique situation. Adult recreational sports operators should stay informed and take actions based on common sense and wise judgment that will protect health and support economic revitalization. Adult recreational sports operators should also be mindful of federal and state employment and disability laws, workplace safety standards, and accessibility standards to address the needs of both workers and customers.

Health protocols for employees, contractors, and volunteers ("staff"):

- Provide notice to all participants of the enhanced risks of being in direct contact with anyone age 65 or older for 14 days after participating in a sporting event or practice.**
- Train all staff on appropriate cleaning and disinfection, hand hygiene, and respiratory etiquette.
- Screen all staff each day for any of the following new or worsening signs or symptoms of possible COVID-19:
 - Cough
 - Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
 - Chills
 - Repeated shaking with chills
 - Muscle pain
 - Headache
 - Sore throat
 - Loss of taste or smell
 - Diarrhea
 - Feeling feverish or a measured temperature greater than or equal to 100.0 degrees Fahrenheit
 - Known close contact with a person who is lab confirmed to have COVID-19
- Limit staff with underlying conditions from attending or staffing the sporting event.

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- Consistent with the actions taken by many employers across the state, consider having all staff wear cloth face coverings (over the nose and mouth). If available, staff should consider wearing non-medical grade face masks.
- Staff should mitigate environmental exposures by additional cleaning and disinfecting of symptomatic staff's work area, common areas, and bathrooms. Staff should follow and supervise the Program Activity Plan and, if applicable, the Transportation Plan.

Health protocols regarding sick participants and staff members:

- Isolate staff and participants exhibiting new or worsening signs or symptoms of possible COVID-19 and contact the local health department.
- Do not allow staff with the new or worsening signs or symptoms of COVID-19 to return to work until:
 - In the case of a staffer who was diagnosed with COVID-19, the individual may return to work when all three of the following criteria are met: at least 3 days (72 hours) have passed *since recovery* (resolution of fever without the use of fever-reducing medications); and the individual has *improvement* in symptoms (e.g., cough, shortness of breath); and at least 10 days have passed *since symptoms first appeared*; or
 - In the case of a staffer who has symptoms that could be COVID-19 and does not get evaluated by a medical professional or tested for COVID-19, the individual is assumed to have COVID-19, and the individual may not return to work until the individual has completed the same three-step criteria listed above; or
 - If the staffer has symptoms that could be COVID-19 and wants to return to work before completing the above self-isolation period, the individual must obtain a medical professional's note clearing the individual for return based on a negative nucleic acid COVID-19 test and an alternative diagnosis.
- Staff should help the operator in identifying exposure risks (a.k.a. contact tracing).
- Each sporting team is considered a cohort. Outside of the sporting event, discourage mixing between cohorts.
 - Immediately isolate any participant or staff member who tests positive for COVID-19.
 - If a staff member tests positive for COVID-19, the adult recreation sports operator should notify the participant of possible exposure to a lab-confirmed case of COVID-19.
 - If 3 or more cohorts in a sport have individuals test positive for COVID-19, work with state and local public health authorities about continued operations of the adult recreational sport.
 - Using the groups or cohort strategy, contact tracing can be initiated promptly, and isolation and surveillance can be implemented in short order.

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Health protocols for spectators:

- Individuals should avoid being in a group larger than 10 individuals. Within these groups, individuals should, to the extent possible, minimize in-person contact with others not in the individual's household. Minimizing in-person contact includes maintaining 6 feet of separation from individuals. When maintaining 6 feet of separation is not feasible, other methods should be utilized to slow the spread of COVID-19, such as wearing a face covering or mask, washing or sanitizing hand frequently, and avoiding sharing utensils or other common objects.
- Consistent with the actions taken by many individuals across the state, all spectators should consider wearing cloth face coverings (over the nose and mouth). If available, spectators should consider wearing non-medical grade face masks.

Health protocols for grounds and facilities:

- Develop, train, and implement increased daily sanitization protocols for common surfaces, restrooms, recreational equipment, and facilities.
- Make hand sanitizer, disinfecting wipes, soap and water, or similar disinfectant readily available throughout the facility.
- Consider having an individual wholly or partially dedicated to ensuring the health protocols adopted by the adult recreation sport operator are being successfully implemented and followed.
- Health policies and protocols should include communicating and coordinating with the local health department, local emergency services, and local health care providers.
- Consistent with the actions taken by many employers across the state, consider having all staff and participants wear cloth face coverings (over the nose and mouth). If available, staff and participants should consider wearing non-medical grade face masks.

Health protocols for adult recreation sport facilities:

- Develop and implement a Program Activity Hygiene Plan to include:
 - Sanitization of all program areas
 - Sanitization of equipment before and after use
 - Hand washing or hand sanitizing before and after activities
- Group excursions related to adult recreation sports are strongly discouraged, and should be limited or eliminated where feasible. To the extent those excursions continue, develop and implement Transportation Protocols to include:**
 - One individual per seat and every other row in a vehicle
 - Staggered seating for maximum distancing
 - Asking participants and staff to wear face coverings or masks while in vehicle
 - All individuals should sanitize hands upon boarding the vehicle
- Remind participants of the enhanced risks of participants being in direct contact with anyone age 65 or older for 14 days after participating in the adult recreation sport event or practice.

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Amusement parks contained in counties with less than 1,000 cumulative positive cases of COVID-19 may operate up to 50% of the normal operating limits as determined by the amusement park operator. Effective June 19, 2020, all amusement parks may operate up to 50% of the normal operating limits as determined by the amusement park operator.

The following are the minimum recommended health protocols for all amusement parks choosing to operate in Texas. Amusement parks may adopt additional protocols consistent with their specific needs and circumstances to help protect the health and safety of all employees, contractors, and customers.

The virus that causes COVID-19 can be spread to others by infected persons who have few or no symptoms. Even if an infected person is only mildly ill, the people they spread it to may become seriously ill or even die, especially if that person is 65 or older with pre-existing health conditions that place them at higher risk. Because of the hidden nature of this threat, everyone should rigorously follow the practices specified in these protocols, all of which facilitate a safe and measured reopening of Texas. The virus that causes COVID-19 is still circulating in our communities. We should continue to observe practices that protect everyone, including those who are most vulnerable.

Please note, public health guidance cannot anticipate every unique situation. Operators of amusement parks should stay informed and take actions based on common sense and wise judgment that will protect health and support economic revitalization. Operators of amusement parks should also be mindful of federal and state employment and disability laws, workplace safety standards, and accessibility standards to address the needs of both workers and customers.

Health protocols for your employees and contractors:

- Train all employees on appropriate cleaning and disinfection, hand hygiene, and respiratory etiquette.
- Screen employees and contractors before coming into the amusement park for each shift:
 - Send home any employee or contractor who has any of the following new or worsening signs or symptoms of possible COVID-19:

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Cough - Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing - Chills - Repeated shaking with chills - Muscle pain - Headache 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Sore throat - Loss of taste or smell - Diarrhea - Feeling feverish or a measured temperature greater than or equal to 100.0 degrees Fahrenheit - Known close contact with a person who is lab confirmed to have COVID-19
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 - Do not allow employees or contractors with new or worsening signs or symptoms listed above to return to work until:
 - In the case of an employee or contractor who was diagnosed with COVID-19, the individual may return to work when all three of the following criteria are met: at least 3 days (72 hours) have passed *since recovery* (resolution of fever without the use of fever-reducing medications); and the individual has *improvement* in symptoms (e.g., cough, shortness of breath); and at least 10 days have passed *since symptoms first appeared*; or

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- In the case of an employee or contractor who has symptoms that could be COVID-19 and does not get evaluated by a medical professional or tested for COVID-19, the individual is assumed to have COVID-19, and the individual may not return to work until the individual has completed the same three-step criteria listed above; or
 - If the employee or contractor has symptoms that could be COVID-19 and wants to return to work before completing the above self-isolation period, the individual must obtain a medical professional's note clearing the individual for return based on an alternative diagnosis.
- Do not allow an employee or contractor with known close contact to a person who is lab-confirmed to have COVID-19 to return to work until the end of the 14-day self-quarantine period from the last date of exposure (with an exception granted for healthcare workers and critical infrastructure workers).
- Conduct temperature checks on all employees and contractors at the beginning of their shift.
- Conduct temperature checks on those guests willing to have their temperature taken.
- Have employees and contractors wash or sanitize their hands upon entering the premises and between interactions with visitors.
- Have employees and contractors maintain at least 6 feet of separation from other individuals. If such distancing is not feasible, other measures such as face covering, hand hygiene, cough etiquette, cleanliness, and sanitation should be rigorously practiced.
- If the amusement park provides a meal for employees and/or contractors, the amusement park is recommended to have the meal individually packed for each individual.
- Consistent with the actions taken by many employers across the state, consider having all employees and contractors wear cloth face coverings (over the nose and mouth). If available, employees and contractors should consider wearing non-medical grade face masks.

Health protocols for your facilities:

- If the amusement park operator or their representative association has submitted documents to the Open Texas Strike Force with protocols they would follow, then to the extent the protocols are more stringent in any respect to these protocols, the operator should follow the more stringent protocols.**
- If 6 feet of separation is not available between employees, contractors, and/or customers inside the facility, consider the use of engineering controls, such as dividers between individuals, to minimize the chances of transmission of COVID-19 such as at points of sale.
- Consistent with the actions taken by amusement park operators around the country, consider asking all guests to wear cloth face coverings (over the nose and mouth), and consider providing those face coverings to the guests.
 - Employees should be instructed to understand that young children and persons who are unable to adjust or remove face coverings should not be regarded as suitable candidates for wearing face coverings. The decision is up to the individual or their parent, guardian, or attendant.
- Regularly and frequently clean and disinfect any regularly touched surfaces, such as doorknobs, tables, chairs, and restrooms.

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- Disinfect any items that come into contact with visitors. This includes, as much as possible, disinfecting touches surfaces that comes into contact with guests between rides.
- Make hand sanitizer, disinfecting wipes, soap and water, or similar disinfectant readily available to employees, contractors, and customers.
- Consider placing [readily visible signage](#) at the business to remind everyone of best hygiene practices.
- Consider having an individual wholly or partially dedicated to ensuring the health protocols adopted by the amusement park are being successfully implemented and followed.
- Modify areas to enable distancing while employees are on lunch or during break periods.
- For rides that have individuals seated in rows, alternate the rows, allowing guests only in every other row. Do not seat individuals in the same row if they are not attending the amusement park together (eg, strangers).
- Separate vehicles in the parking lot by keeping at least 2 open spaces laterally from each vehicle that is parking at or near the same time.

If you serve food and/or beverages:

- Groups maintain at least 6 feet of distance from other groups at all times, including while waiting to be seated in the food area. A group is defined as no more than 10 persons including the members of the household and those persons who traveled together to the facility.
- Make a hand sanitizing station available upon entry to the food area.
- No tables of more than 10 people.
- Contactless payment is encouraged. Where not available, contact should be minimized. Both groups should wash or sanitize hands after the payment process.
- For waiter-provided food service:
 - Do not leave condiments, silverware, flatware, glassware, or other traditional table top items on an unoccupied table.
 - Provide condiments only upon request, and in single use (non-reusable) portions.
 - Clean and disinfect the area used for dining (table, etc.) after each group of customers depart the theater.
 - Use disposable menus (new for each patron).
 - If you allow customers to write down their food orders, provide take-home pencils and notepads that cannot be used by other customers.
 - Have wait staff sanitize or wash hands between interactions with customers.
- For counter food service:
 - Provide condiments or flatware only in single use, individually-wrapped items, and provide condiments only upon request.
 - Have employees and contractors follow proper food-handling protocols.
 - Disinfect any items that come into contact with customers.

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- Clean and disinfect the area used for dining (table, etc.) after each group of customers depart, including the disinfecting of tables, chairs, stalls, and countertops.

Health protocols if you have video game equipment:

- Assign at least one employee or contractor full time to disinfect the video games and other interactive amusements. **Continuous disinfecting is needed to protect customers.**
- Disinfect all gaming equipment before and after customer use, if at all possible.
- Provide equipment disinfecting products throughout facility for use on equipment.
- Ensure only one player can play a game at a time.
- Provide for at least 6 feet of separation between games.
- Provide hand sanitizer throughout the video game area.

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Barber shops may operate provided they can ensure at least 6 feet social distancing between operating work stations. Because of the proximity between individuals in these facilities, stringent compliance with these protocols is strongly recommended.

The following are the minimum recommended health protocols for barber shops choosing to operate in Texas. Barber shops may adopt additional protocols consistent with their specific needs and circumstances to help protect the health and safety of all employees, independent contractors, and customers.

The virus that causes COVID-19 can be spread to others by infected persons who have few or no symptoms. Even if an infected person is only mildly ill, the people they spread it to may become seriously ill or even die, especially if that person is 65 or older with pre-existing health conditions that place them at higher risk. Because of the hidden nature of this threat, everyone should rigorously follow the practices specified in these protocols, all of which facilitate a safe and measured reopening of Texas. The virus that causes COVID-19 is still circulating in our communities. We should continue to observe practices that protect everyone, including those who are most vulnerable.

Please note, public health guidance cannot anticipate every unique situation. Barber shops should stay informed and take actions based on common sense and wise judgment that will protect health and support economic revitalization. Barber shops should also be mindful of federal and state employment and disability laws, workplace safety standards, and accessibility standards to address the needs of both workers and customers.

Getting barber shop, employees, and contractors ready to open:

- Start by first offering less complex and time-consuming services such as haircutting and shaving services.
- Notify employees and contractors of all COVID-19 processes and procedures and require them to sign a statement acknowledging they understand and will adhere to the guidelines.
- Screen employees and contractors before coming into the barber shop:
 - Send home any employee or contractor who has any of the following new or worsening signs or symptoms of possible COVID-19:

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Cough - Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing - Chills - Repeated shaking with chills - Muscle pain - Headache 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Sore throat - Loss of taste or smell - Diarrhea - Feeling feverish or a measured temperature greater than or equal to 100.0 degrees Fahrenheit - Known close contact with a person who is lab confirmed to have COVID-19
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 - Do not allow employees or contractors with new or worsening signs or symptoms listed above to return to work until:

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- In the case of an employee or contractor who was diagnosed with COVID-19, the individual may return to work when all three of the following criteria are met: at least 3 days (72 hours) have passed *since recovery* (resolution of fever without the use of fever-reducing medications); and the individual has *improvement* in symptoms (e.g., cough, shortness of breath); and at least 10 days have passed *since symptoms first appeared*; or
- In the case of an employee or contractor who has symptoms that could be COVID-19 and does not get evaluated by a medical professional or tested for COVID-19, the individual is assumed to have COVID-19, and the individual may not return to work until the individual has completed the same three-step criteria listed above; or
- If the employee or contractor has symptoms that could be COVID-19 and wants to return to work before completing the above self-isolation period, the individual must obtain a medical professional's note clearing the individual for return based on an alternative diagnosis.

- Do not allow an employee or contractor with known close contact to a person who is lab-confirmed to have COVID-19 to return to work until the end of the 14 day self-quarantine period from the last date of exposure (with an exception granted for health care workers and critical infrastructure workers).
- Consider implementing a similar policy for clients.
 - For temperature checks, the preferred method is a no-contact thermometer, such as a forehead thermometer, if possible.
 - Do not use a contact thermometer on multiple persons without disposable guards or disinfection between persons.
- Provide resources and a work environment that promote personal hygiene. For example, provide tissues, hand soap, alcohol-based hand sanitizers containing at least 60 percent alcohol, disinfectants, and disposable towels for licensees to clean their work surfaces.
- Disinfectants must come from this list: <https://www.epa.gov/pesticide-registration/list-n-disinfectants-use-against-sars-cov-2>
- Provide a place to wash hands with both hot and cold water with hand soap, disposable towels, and a no-touch trash can.

Before an appointment:

- Appointments should be scheduled to limit the amount of people in the shop.
- Walk-in clients should wait either in their own cars or outside with at least six feet separation between individuals.
- Do not allow clients to bring extra people to the appointment, such as children.

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- Only schedule the number of clients that will allow for social distancing of at least six feet from others.
- A sign should be posted at the entrance to the shop with a phone number that clients should call to schedule an appointment when they arrive outside the shop.
- Only bring clients into the building when the licensee is ready for them, to eliminate anyone needing to spend any time in the lobby or waiting area.
- Remove all unnecessary items such as magazines from the lobby or waiting area.
- Contactless payment is encouraged. Where not available, contact should be minimized.
- Signs should be posted at each entrance and eye-level at stations notifying clients that people with symptoms of COVID-19 or who have recently been exposed to someone with symptoms must reschedule their appointment.
- Do not provide services to a client if you have reason to believe that they are sick or have a contagious condition.
- If possible, provide face coverings for clients or ask them to wear one if services can be provided with it on.

Once inside the barber shop:

- Do not let clients touch/handle retail supplies.
- Require all clients to wash their hands upon entering the shop and before each treatment.
- Take measures to ensure that clients do not interact with each other in the shop.
- Face masks or fabric face coverings should always be worn by employers, employees, contractors, and clients while inside the salon/shop, even if individuals are practicing social distancing.
 - Employees should be instructed to understand that young children and persons who are unable to adjust or remove face coverings should not be regarded as suitable candidates for wearing face coverings. The decision is up to the individual or their parent, guardian or attendant.
- Clients receiving services for which a mask may not be worn (shaving) should wear a mask or face covering before and after they receive the service.

Providing services:

- If gloves cannot be worn for a service, then hands must be washed with soap and water prior to providing services. Hands must be washed for a minimum of 20 seconds.
- If at any time an employee or contractor touches their face, nose, eyes, cell phone, door, credit card machine or any surface they have not sanitized, they must immediately change their gloves or rewash hands with soap and water.
- Use disposable supplies to keep from having to handle and disinfect multi-use supplies.
- Use disposable towels when possible and dispose of them after use.

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Continue to service clients with the cleaning and sanitation you already practice:

- If gloves are worn, they must be removed and properly disposed of immediately upon completion of the service.
- All surfaces must be wiped down and sanitized between use including computers, landline phones, etc.
- Full sanitization of workstations, shampoo bowls, chairs, etc., must occur after each client. This includes a complete wipe down with disinfectant cleaners or wipes of all surfaces touched and products used.
- Multi-use equipment and tools must be cleaned and disinfected before use on each client.
- Single-use equipment and tools must be discarded after use on a single client.
- Electrical equipment that cannot be immersed in liquid shall be wiped clean and disinfected before use on each client.
- All clean and disinfected tools and materials shall be stored in a clean, dry, debris free environment when not in use.
- Clean and disinfected tools and materials must be stored separate from soiled tools and materials. Ultraviolet electrical sanitizers are acceptable for use as a dry storage container. Non-barber related supplies must be stored in separate drawers or locations.
- Shampoo bowls and manicure tables shall be disinfected prior to use for each client.
- Floors shall be thoroughly cleaned each day. Hair cuttings must be swept up and deposited in a closed receptacle. Cosmetologists need to sweep up after each haircut.
- All trash containers must be emptied daily and kept clean by washing or using plastic liners.
- Non-disposable towels used during services must be immediately removed and placed in a disposable laundry receptacle (such as a bag that is discarded after use) at the conclusion of the service.
- If the salon uses a laundry basket or reusable bag, it must be sanitized between uses and should never be used for clean towels/capes.
- Towels must be washed in hot water and chlorine bleach and only clean towels shall be used on clients.
- Clean towels should only be handled by someone who has cleaned their hands immediately before touching the towels or someone who has a fresh pair of gloves.
- All on-site laundry rooms or laundry storage rooms must be fully sanitized daily.

Additional items:

- If an employee or contractor tests positive for COVID-19, immediately report that to the local health authority and provide notification to employees, contractors, and clients. The notification may be made via phone call, e-mail, or text. The notification to the local health authority and to employees, contractors, and clients must occur no later than 24 hours of receiving information of a positive test result.

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Bars or similar establishments may operate for in-person service up to 50% of the total listed occupancy inside the bar or similar establishment if only those customers who are seated are served. There is no occupancy limit outdoors at a bar or similar establishment. Bar or similar establishment employees are not counted towards the occupancy limitation. For these purposes, bars or similar establishments are establishments with a permit from TABC that are not otherwise considered restaurants.

The following are the minimum recommended health protocols for all bars or similar establishments choosing to operate in Texas. Bars or similar establishments may adopt additional protocols consistent with their specific needs and circumstances to help protect the health and safety of all employees, contractors, and customers.

The virus that causes COVID-19 can be spread to others by infected persons who have few or no symptoms. Even if an infected person is only mildly ill, the people they could spread it to may become seriously ill or even die, especially if they are 65 or older with pre-existing health conditions that place them at higher risk. Because of the concealed nature of this threat, everyone should rigorously follow the practices specified in these protocols, all of which facilitate a safe and measured reopening of Texas. The virus that causes COVID-19 is still circulating in our communities. We should continue to observe practices that protect everyone, including the most vulnerable.

Please note, public health guidance cannot anticipate or address every unique situation. Bars or similar establishments should stay informed and take actions based on common sense and wise judgment that will protect health and support economic revitalization. Bars or similar establishments should also be mindful of federal and state employment and disability laws, workplace safety standards, and accessibility standards to address the needs of both workers and customers.

Health protocols for serving your customers:

- Customers should not be permitted to loiter at the bar or in commonly trafficked areas, and should remain seated at tables inside the bar.
- Only provide service to seated individuals.
- Groups should maintain at least 6 feet of distance from other groups at all times, including while waiting to be seated in the establishment or for admission to the establishment.
- Activities that enable close human contact, including but not limited to dancing, are discouraged.
- Pathways for patrons' ingress and egress should be clear and unobstructed.
- Designate staff to ensure customers maintain a 6-foot distance between groups if customers are waiting to enter the bar or similar establishment.
- A hand sanitizing station should be available upon entry to the establishment.
- No tables of more than 10 people.
- Dining:
 - Do not leave condiments, silverware, flatware, glassware, or other traditional table top items on an unoccupied table.
 - Provide condiments only upon request, and in single use (non-reusable) portions.
 - Use disposable menus (*i.e.*, a new menu for each patron).
 - If a buffet is offered, bar employees should serve the food to customers.
- Ensure spacing of individuals within the establishment to keep a 6-foot distance between individuals in different groups.

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- Tables or chairs must be installed to seat all customers to maintain social distancing, and may not be moved.
- Consider positioning an unoccupied table or other object adjacent to each occupied table, creating space to permanently maintain a 6-foot distance between groups.
- Take orders from customers seated at a table or by web/phone application.
- Contactless payment is encouraged. Where not available, contact should be minimized. Both parties should wash or sanitize hands after the payment process.

Health protocols for your employees and contractors:

- Train all employees and contractors on appropriate cleaning and disinfection, hand hygiene, and respiratory etiquette.
- Screen employees and contractors before coming into the bar or similar establishment:
 - Send home any employee or contractor who has any of the following new or worsening signs or symptoms of possible COVID-19:

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Cough - Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing - Chills - Repeated shaking with chills - Muscle pain - Headache 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Sore throat - Loss of taste or smell - Diarrhea - Feeling feverish or a measured temperature greater than or equal to 100.0 degrees Fahrenheit - Known close contact with a person who is lab confirmed to have COVID-19
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 - Do not allow employees or contractors with the new or worsening signs or symptoms listed above to return to work until:
 - In the case of an employee or contractor who was diagnosed with COVID-19, the individual meets all three of the following criteria: at least three days (72 hours) have passed *since recovery* (resolution of fever without the use of fever-reducing medications); and the individual has *improvement* in symptoms (e.g., cough, shortness of breath); and at least ten days have passed *since symptoms first appeared*; or
 - In the case of an employee or contractor who has symptoms that could be COVID-19 and does not get evaluated by a medical professional or tested for COVID-19, the individual should be assumed to have COVID-19, and the individual may not return to work until the individual has completed the same three-step criteria listed above; or
 - If the employee or contractor has symptoms that could be COVID-19 and wants to return to work before completing the above self-isolation period, the individual must obtain a medical professional's note clearing the individual for return based on an alternative diagnosis.
 - Do not allow an employee or contractor with known close contact to a person who is lab-confirmed to have COVID-19 to return to work until the end of the 14-day self-quarantine period from the last date of exposure (with an exception granted for healthcare workers and critical infrastructure workers).

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- Have employees and contractors wash or sanitize their hands upon entering the bar or similar establishment, and between interactions with customers.
- Have employees and contractors maintain at least 6 feet of separation from other individuals. If this distancing is not feasible, measures such as face covering, hand hygiene, cough etiquette, cleanliness, and sanitation should be rigorously practiced.
- Consistent with the actions taken by many businesses across the state, consider having all employees and contractors wear cloth face coverings over the nose and mouth. Employees and contractors should consider wearing non-medical grade face masks if available.

Health protocols for your facilities:

- Consider having an employee or contractor manage and control access to the bar or similar establishment, including opening doors to prevent attendees from touching door handles.
- Take steps to ensure 6 feet social distancing is maintained at the bar between individual patrons, between patrons and waitstaff, and between patrons and bar items such as clean glassware and ice. Such separation may be obtained by ensuring bartenders remain at least 6 feet from customers at the bar, such as by taping off or otherwise blocking bartenders from being within 6 feet of a seated customer, or the use of engineering controls, such as dividers, to keep individuals and/or the bar separate from other individuals.**
- Regularly and frequently clean and disinfect any regularly touched surfaces, such as doorknobs, tables, and chairs.
- Regularly and frequently clean restrooms, and document the cleanings.
- Disinfect any items that customers contact.
- Make hand sanitizer, disinfecting wipes, soap and water, or similar disinfectant readily available to employees and customers.
- Consider placing readily visible signs at the bar or similar establishment to remind everyone of best hygiene practices.
- Clean and disinfect the area used by customers (e.g., tables, chairs, etc.) after each group of customers depart, including the disinfecting of tables, chairs, stalls, and countertops.
- Clean and sanitize the bar daily.
- For bars or similar establishments with more than 10 employees and/or contractors present at one time, consider having an individual wholly or partially dedicated to ensuring the health protocols adopted by the establishment are being successfully implemented and followed.
- TABC staff should monitor bars throughout the state of Texas to ensure compliance with these protocols. TABC has the authority to suspend any license that poses an immediate threat or danger to public safety. Failure to follow these protocols may result in a 30-day license suspension for the first infraction, and a 60-day suspension for a second infraction.

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If you have video game equipment or other interactive amusements:

- Assign at least one employee or contractor full time to disinfect the video games and other interactive amusements. **Continuous disinfecting is needed to protect customers.**
- Disinfect all gaming equipment before and after customer use.
- Provide equipment disinfecting products throughout facility for use on equipment.
- Ensure only one player can play a game at a time.
- Provide for at least 6 feet of separation between games.

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Cosmetology salons may operate provided they can ensure at least 6 feet social distancing between operating work stations. Because of the proximity between individuals in these facilities, stringent compliance with these protocols is strongly recommended.

The following are the minimum recommended health protocols for cosmetology salons choosing to operate in Texas. Cosmetology salons may adopt additional protocols consistent with their specific needs and circumstances to help protect the health and safety of all employees, independent contractors, and customers.

The virus that causes COVID-19 can be spread to others by infected persons who have few or no symptoms. Even if an infected person is only mildly ill, the people they spread it to may become seriously ill or even die, especially if that person is 65 or older with pre-existing health conditions that place them at higher risk. Because of the hidden nature of this threat, everyone should rigorously follow the practices specified in these protocols, all of which facilitate a safe and measured reopening of Texas. The virus that causes COVID-19 is still circulating in our communities. We should continue to observe practices that protect everyone, including those who are most vulnerable.

Please note, public health guidance cannot anticipate every unique situation. Cosmetology salons should stay informed and take actions based on common sense and wise judgment that will protect health and support economic revitalization. Cosmetology salons should also be mindful of federal and state employment and disability laws, workplace safety standards, and accessibility standards to address the needs of both workers and customers.

Getting cosmetology salon, employees, and contractors ready to open:

- Start by first offering less complex and time-consuming services such as haircutting services.
- Notify employees and contractors of all COVID-19 processes and procedures and require them to sign a statement acknowledging they understand and will adhere to the guidelines.
- Screen employees and contractors before coming into the cosmetology salon:
 - Send home any employee or contractor who has any of the following new or worsening signs or symptoms of possible COVID-19:

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Cough - Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing - Chills - Repeated shaking with chills - Muscle pain - Headache 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Sore throat - Loss of taste or smell - Diarrhea - Feeling feverish or a measured temperature greater than or equal to 100.0 degrees Fahrenheit - Known close contact with a person who is lab confirmed to have COVID-19
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 - Do not allow employees or contractors with new or worsening signs or symptoms listed above to return to work until:

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- In the case of an employee or contractor who was diagnosed with COVID-19, the individual may return to work when all three of the following criteria are met: at least 3 days (72 hours) have passed *since recovery* (resolution of fever without the use of fever-reducing medications); and the individual has *improvement* in symptoms (e.g., cough, shortness of breath); and at least 10 days have passed *since symptoms first appeared*; or
- In the case of an employee or contractor who has symptoms that could be COVID-19 and does not get evaluated by a medical professional or tested for COVID-19, the individual is assumed to have COVID-19, and the individual may not return to work until the individual has completed the same three-step criteria listed above; or
- If the employee or contractor has symptoms that could be COVID-19 and wants to return to work before completing the above self-isolation period, the individual must obtain a medical professional's note clearing the individual for return based on an alternative diagnosis.

- Do not allow an employee or contractor with known close contact to a person who is lab-confirmed to have COVID-19 to return to work until the end of the 14 day self-quarantine period from the last date of exposure (with an exception granted for health care workers and critical infrastructure workers).
- Consider implementing a similar policy for clients.
 - For temperature checks, the preferred method is a no-contact thermometer, such as a forehead thermometer, if possible.
 - Do not use a contact thermometer on multiple persons without disposable guards or disinfection between persons.
- Provide resources and a work environment that promote personal hygiene. For example, provide tissues, hand soap, alcohol-based hand sanitizers containing at least 60 percent alcohol, disinfectants, and disposable towels for licensees to clean their work surfaces.
- Disinfectants must come from this list: <https://www.epa.gov/pesticide-registration/list-n-disinfectants-use-against-sars-cov-2>
- Provide a place to wash hands with both hot and cold water with hand soap, disposable towels, and a no-touch trash can.

Before an appointment:

- Appointments should be scheduled to limit the amount of people in the salon.
- Walk-in clients should wait either in their own cars or outside with at least six feet separation between individuals.
- Do not allow clients to bring extra people to the appointment, such as children.

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- Only schedule the number of clients that will allow for social distancing of at least six feet from others.
- A sign should be posted at the entrance to the salon with a phone number that clients should call to schedule an appointment when they arrive outside the salon.
- Only bring clients into the building when the licensee is ready for them, to eliminate anyone needing to spend any time in the lobby or waiting area.
- Remove all unnecessary items such as magazines from the lobby or waiting area.
- Contactless payment is encouraged. Where not available, contact should be minimized.
- Signs should be posted at each entrance and eye-level at stations notifying clients that people with symptoms of COVID-19 or who have recently been exposed to someone with symptoms must reschedule their appointment.
- Do not provide services to a client if you have reason to believe that they are sick or have a contagious condition.
- If possible, provide face coverings for clients or ask them to wear one if services can be provided with it on.

Once inside the hair salon:

- Do not let clients touch/handle retail supplies.
- Require all clients to wash their hands upon entering the salon and before each treatment.
- Take measures to ensure that clients do not interact with each other in the salon.
- Face masks or fabric face coverings should always be worn by employers, employees, contractors, and clients while inside the salon/shop, even if individuals are practicing social distancing.
 - Employees should be instructed to understand that young children and persons who are unable to adjust or remove face coverings should not be regarded as suitable candidates for wearing face coverings. The decision is up to the individual or their parent, guardian or attendant.
- Clients receiving services for which a mask may not be worn should wear a mask or face covering before and after they receive the service.

Providing services:

- If gloves cannot be worn for a service, then hands must be washed with soap and water prior to providing services. Hands must be washed for a minimum of 20 seconds.
- If at any time an employee or contractor touches their face, nose, eyes, cell phone, door, credit card machine or any surface they have not sanitized, they must immediately change their gloves or rewash hands with soap and water.
- Use disposable supplies to keep from having to handle and disinfect multi-use supplies.
- Use disposable towels when possible and dispose of them after use.

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Continue to service clients with the cleaning and sanitation you already practice:

- If gloves are worn, they must be removed and properly disposed of immediately upon completion of the service.
- All surfaces must be wiped down and sanitized between use including computers, landline phones, etc.
- Full sanitization of workstations, shampoo bowls, chairs, etc., must occur after each client. This includes a complete wipe down with disinfectant cleaners or wipes of all surfaces touched and products used.
- Multi-use equipment and tools must be cleaned and disinfected before use on each client.
- Single-use equipment and tools must be discarded after use on a single client.
- Electrical equipment that cannot be immersed in liquid shall be wiped clean and disinfected before use on each client.
- All clean and disinfected tools and materials shall be stored in a clean, dry, debris free environment when not in use.
- Clean and disinfected tools and materials must be stored separate from soiled tools and materials. Ultraviolet electrical sanitizers are acceptable for use as a dry storage container. Non-cosmetology or barbering related supplies must be stored in separate drawers or locations.
- Shampoo bowls and manicure tables shall be disinfected prior to use for each client.
- Floors shall be thoroughly cleaned each day. Hair cuttings must be swept up and deposited in a closed receptacle. Cosmetologists need to sweep up after each haircut.
- All trash containers must be emptied daily and kept clean by washing or using plastic liners.
- Non-disposable towels used during services must be immediately removed and placed in a disposable laundry receptacle (such as a bag that is discarded after use) at the conclusion of the service.
- If the salon uses a laundry basket or reusable bag, it must be sanitized between uses and should never be used for clean towels/capes.
- Towels must be washed in hot water and chlorine bleach and only clean towels shall be used on clients.
- Clean towels should only be handled by someone who has cleaned their hands immediately before touching the towels or someone who has a fresh pair of gloves.
- All on-site laundry rooms or laundry storage rooms must be fully sanitized daily.

Additional items:

- If an employee or contractor tests positive for COVID-19, immediately report that to the local health authority and provide notification to employees, contractors, and clients. The notification may be made via phone call, e-mail, or text. The notification to the local health authority and to employees, contractors, and clients must occur no later than 24 hours of receiving information of a positive test result.

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CHECKLIST FOR DAY YOUTH CAMP OPERATORS AND STAFF

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Be advised:

Youth camps should follow the below health and safety protocols. These protocols may be updated based on guidance from the CDC and/or the American Academy of Pediatrics.

A note about children and COVID-19:

The virus that causes COVID-19 can infect people of all ages. While the risk of serious illness or loss of life is greatest in those 65 years of age or older with pre-existing health conditions, persons in every age group can become infected with COVID-19 and some may become seriously ill or even die.

We should all be thankful that, with rare exceptions, COVID-19 is not claiming the lives of our children. However, we can never forget that a child with a mild or even asymptomatic case of COVID-19 can spread that infection to others who may be far more vulnerable.

COVID-19 is spread from person to person through contact that is close enough to share droplets generated by coughing, sneezing, speaking, and even just breathing. COVID-19 can also be spread by touching objects where contaminated droplets have landed. Because of this easy manner of transmission, an infant, child or young person who is infected with COVID-19 can spread the infection to others they come in close contact with, such as members of their household, teachers, or other caregivers. We have learned that infected persons with mild or even no symptoms can spread COVID-19.

These facts are vitally important when considering the reopening of schools, child care centers, youth camps and other places that provide care and education for our children.

One thing is for certain: We must find reasonably safe ways to restore these services so that our children can be cared for and educated, and for their parents and guardians to be able to return to work.

For adults in the workplace or other public spaces, we are confident that if certain measures such as cloth face coverings or non-medical grade masks, respiratory etiquette, frequent hand washing / hand sanitation and environmental cleaning and sanitizing are widely observed, we can then proceed with reopening Texas in a safe and measured way.

However, such protective measures that we can expect from adults are, for a variety of reasons, simply not possible for infants, children and youth to practice in schools, child care centers, and youth camps. In some cases, the child will be too young to understand and practice these precautions. We cannot, for example, expect a group of toddlers or schoolchildren not to engage in interactive play or share toys,

All of these factors mean that while certain precautions against the spread of COVID-19 can and will be applied to schools, child care centers, and youth camps, the infection control measures that can be put in place in these settings will differ from those that are suitable for other social, business and commercial settings.

Every adult who is responsible for providing care or education for infants, children and youth in these settings must be aware of these facts and be willing to comply with the infection control measures that will be in place in these settings. Parents should monitor the health of their children and not send them to the

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program if they exhibit any symptom of COVID-19. They should seek COVID-19 testing promptly and report results to the program given the implications for other children, families, and staff. Individuals aged 65 or older are at a higher risk of COVID-19. Parents should protect any vulnerable persons who are members of the same household or come into frequent, close contact with infants, children and youth who attend child care centers, schools, or youth camps.

About minimum health protocols:

The following are the minimum recommended health protocols for all day youth camps choosing to operate in Texas. Day youth camp operators may adopt additional protocols consistent with their specific needs and circumstances to help protect the health and safety of all employees, contractors, volunteers and day campers.

The virus that causes COVID-19 can be spread to others by infected persons who have few or no symptoms. Even if an infected person is only mildly ill, the people they spread it to may become seriously ill or even die, especially if that person is 65 or older with pre-existing health conditions that place them at higher risk. Because of the hidden nature of this threat, everyone should rigorously follow the practices specified in these protocols, all of which facilitate a safe and measured reopening of Texas. The virus that causes COVID-19 is still circulating in our communities. We should continue to observe practices that protect everyone, including those who are most vulnerable.

Please note, public health guidance cannot anticipate every unique situation. Day youth camps should stay informed and take actions based on common sense and wise judgment that will protect health and support economic revitalization. Day youth camps should also be mindful of federal and state employment and disability laws, workplace safety standards, and accessibility standards to address the needs of both workers and customers.

Health protocols for camp employees, contractors, and volunteers ("staff"):

- Provide notice to the parent or guardian that the parent or guardian may choose to either pick up their camper, or to let the camper remain and trust the camp to take appropriate safeguards, when informed by the camp operator that a child at camp has tested positive for COVID-19.
- Provide notice to all parents and guardians of the enhanced risks of campers being in direct contact with anyone age 65 or older for 14 days after the end of the camp session.
- Train all staff on appropriate cleaning and disinfection, hand hygiene, and respiratory etiquette.
- Screen all staff each day for any of the following new or worsening signs or symptoms of possible COVID-19:
 - Cough
 - Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
 - Chills
 - Repeated shaking with chills
 - Muscle pain
 - Headache
 - Sore throat
 - Loss of taste or smell
 - Diarrhea
 - Feeling feverish or a measured temperature greater than or equal to 100.0 degrees Fahrenheit
 - Known close contact with a person who is lab confirmed to have COVID-19

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- Limit staff with underlying conditions from attending or staffing camp sessions.
- Consistent with the actions taken by many employers across the state, consider having all staff wear cloth face coverings (over the nose and mouth). If available, staff should consider wearing non-medical grade face masks.
- Staff should mitigate environmental exposures by additional cleaning and disinfecting of symptomatic staff's work area, common areas, and bathrooms. Staff should follow and supervise the Dining Hygiene Plan, Program Activity Plan, and, if applicable, the Transportation Plan.
- Camps should act consistent with all US State Department travel restrictions for international travel.

Health protocols regarding sick campers and staff members:

- Isolate staff exhibiting new or worsening signs or symptoms of possible COVID-19 and contact the local health department.
 - Staff exhibiting new or worsening symptoms of possible COVID-19 should receive a nucleic acid-based COVID-19 test. Find [TX COVID-19 Test Collection Sites](#) online, contact the local health department for testing, or see a health care provider.
 - Do not allow staff with the new or worsening signs or symptoms of COVID-19 to return to work until:
 - In the case of a staffer who was diagnosed with COVID-19, the individual may return to work when all three of the following criteria are met: at least 3 days (72 hours) have passed *since recovery* (resolution of fever without the use of fever-reducing medications); and the individual has *improvement* in symptoms (e.g., cough, shortness of breath); and at least 10 days have passed *since symptoms first appeared*; or
 - In the case of a staffer who has symptoms that could be COVID-19 and does not get evaluated by a medical professional or tested for COVID-19, the individual is assumed to have COVID-19, and the individual may not return to work until the individual has completed the same three-step criteria listed above; or
 - If the staffer has symptoms that could be COVID-19 and wants to return to work before completing the above self-isolation period, the individual must obtain a medical professional's note clearing the individual for return based on a negative nucleic-acid COVID-19 test and an alternative diagnosis.
- Staff should help the camp operator in identifying exposure risks (a.k.a. contact tracing).
- Separate campers and staff into groups or cohorts that remain consistent over the camp session. Discourage mixing between groups or cohorts. Consider programs that operate by groups defined by age or grade.
 - Immediately isolate any camper or staff member who tests positive for COVID-19 and report the positive test to the appropriate health authority.

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- If a staff member tests positive for COVID-19, the staff member will immediately leave the camp.
- When an individual tests positive for COVID-19, notify all parents or guardians of campers in the cohort. The parents or guardians may decide to either pick up their child from the camp or leave the child in the camp and trust the camp to take appropriate safeguards. Keep the cohort containing the individual who tested positive for COVID-19 isolated from other cohorts at the camp for the remainder of the camp session.
- If 3 or more cohorts have had any identified positive cases of COVID-19, work with state and local public health authorities about continued operations of the camp session.

Health protocols limiting access to camp grounds and facilities:

- No parents or guardians visiting the camp during or between camp sessions, except to drop-off and pick-up campers.
- Modify camper drop-off and pick-up procedures to keep parents and guardians from coming within 6 feet of individuals not within the same household. Possible strategies include, but are not limited to, staggering drop-off and pick-up times.
- If possible, parents and guardians should remain in their vehicles at camper drop-off and pick-up.
- Visitors should maintain social distancing of at least 6 feet from other individuals while at camp, and should follow camp protocols for symptom screening and hand-washing or sanitization.
- Designate a facility on the camp grounds for staff to take a break.

Health protocols for camp grounds and facilities:

- Develop, train, and implement increased daily sanitization protocols for common surfaces, restrooms, dining halls, cabins, recreational equipment, and camp facilities.
- Make hand sanitizer, disinfecting wipes, soap and water, or similar disinfectant readily available throughout the camp.
- Consider having an individual wholly or partially dedicated to ensuring the health protocols adopted by the camp are being successfully implemented and followed.**
- Camp health policies and protocols should include communicating and coordinating with the local health department, local emergency services, and local health care providers before the start of a camp session. This coordination should include ensuring prompt and coordinated response to COVID-19 and other emergencies.
- Ensure access to on-site medical personnel, or on-call physician, for the duration of a camp session.
- Consistent with the actions taken by many employers across the state, consider having all staff and campers wear cloth face coverings (over the nose and mouth). If available, staff and campers should consider wearing non-medical grade face masks.

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- Employees should be instructed to understand that young children and persons who are unable to adjust or remove face coverings should not be regarded as suitable candidates for wearing face coverings. The decision is up to the individual or their parent, guardian or attendant.

Developing and implementing health protocol plans:

- Develop and implement a Dining Hygiene Plan to include:
 - No self-serve buffet meals
 - Serve meals with disposable utensils, napkins, cups, and plates
 - Clean and disinfect tables, chairs, etc. after use
- Develop and implement a Program Activity Hygiene Plan to include:
 - Sanitization of all program areas
 - Sanitization of equipment before and after use
 - Hand washing or hand sanitizing before and after activities
- Excursions away from the camp are strongly discouraged, and should be limited or eliminated where feasible. To the extent those excursions continue, develop and implement Transportation Protocols to include:**
 - One individual per seat and every other row in a vehicle
 - Staggered seating for maximum distancing
 - Asking campers and staff to wear face coverings or masks while in vehicle
- Develop a management plan for infection outbreaks, including COVID-19.
- Deep clean and sanitize the camp prior to the start of a new camp session.
- Remind campers, parents, and guardians on exit of the enhanced risks of campers being in direct contact with anyone age 65 or older for 14 days after the end of the camp session.

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Driving schools may operate up to 50% of their total listed occupancy for classroom instruction. Driving schools must ensure at least 6 feet social distancing between students and instructors except when receiving in-car instructions or if participating in a DPS road test.

The following are the minimum recommended health protocols for driving schools choosing to operate in Texas. Employers may adopt additional protocols consistent with their specific needs and circumstances to help protect the health and safety of all employees, contractors, and customers.

The virus that causes COVID-19 can be spread to others by infected persons who have few or no symptoms. Even if an infected person is only mildly ill, the people they spread it to may become seriously ill or even die, especially if that person is 65 or older with pre-existing health conditions that place them at higher risk.

Because of the hidden nature of this threat, everyone should rigorously follow the practices specified in these protocols, all of which facilitate a safe and measured reopening of Texas. The virus that causes COVID-19 is still circulating in our communities. We should continue to observe practices that protect everyone, including those who are most vulnerable.

Please note, public health guidance cannot anticipate every unique situation. Operators of driving schools should stay informed and take actions based on common sense and wise judgment that will protect health and support economic revitalization. Operators of driving schools should also be mindful of federal and state employment and disability laws, workplace safety standards, and accessibility standards to address the needs of both workers and customers.

Health protocols for your employees and contractors:

- Train all employees on appropriate cleaning and disinfection, hand hygiene, and respiratory etiquette.
- Screen employees and contractors before coming into the business:
 - Send home any employee or contractor who has any of the following new or worsening signs or symptoms of possible COVID-19:

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Cough - Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing - Chills - Repeated shaking with chills - Muscle pain - Headache 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Sore throat - Loss of taste or smell - Diarrhea - Feeling feverish or a measured temperature greater than or equal to 100.0 degrees Fahrenheit - Known close contact with a person who is lab confirmed to have COVID-19
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 - Do not allow employees or contractors with new or worsening signs or symptoms listed above to return to work until:
 - In the case of an employee or contractor who was diagnosed with COVID-19, the individual may return to work when all three of the following criteria are met: at least 3 days (72 hours) have passed *since recovery* (resolution of fever without the use of fever-reducing medications); and the individual has *improvement* in symptoms (e.g., cough, shortness of breath); and at least 10 days have passed *since symptoms first appeared*; or

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- In the case of an employee or contractor who has symptoms that could be COVID-19 and does not get evaluated by a medical professional or tested for COVID-19, the individual is assumed to have COVID-19, and the individual may not return to work until the individual has completed the same three-step criteria listed above; or
- If the employee or contractor has symptoms that could be COVID-19 and wants to return to work before completing the above self-isolation period, the individual must obtain a medical professional's note clearing the individual for return based on an alternative diagnosis.

- Do not allow an employee or contractor with known close contact to a person who is lab-confirmed to have COVID-19 to return to work until the end of the 14-day self-quarantine period from the last date of exposure (with an exception granted for healthcare workers and critical infrastructure workers).
- Have employees and contractors wash or sanitize their hands upon entering the business.
- Have employees and contractors maintain at least 6 feet separation from other individuals. If such distancing is not feasible, other measures such as face covering, hand hygiene, cough etiquette, cleanliness, and sanitation should be rigorously practiced.
- If an employer provides a meal for employees and/or contractors, employers are recommended to have the meal individually packed for each individual.
- Consistent with the actions taken by many employers across the state, consider having all employees and contractors wear cloth face coverings (over the nose and mouth). If available, employees and contractors should consider wearing non-medical grade face masks.
- Contactless payment is encouraged. Where not available, contact should be minimized. Both parties should wash or sanitize hands after the payment process.
- Employees should cover their cough or sneeze with a tissue, dispose of the tissue in the trash, and wash or sanitize hands.

Health protocols for your facilities:

- If 6 feet of separation is not available between employees, contractors, and/or students inside the facility, consider the use of engineering controls, such as dividers between individuals, to minimize the chances of transmission of COVID-19
- Regularly and frequently clean and disinfect any regularly touched surfaces, such as doorknobs, tables, chairs, and restrooms.
- Disinfect any items that come into contact with students.
- Make hand sanitizer, disinfecting wipes, soap and water, or similar disinfectant readily available to employees, contractors, and students.
- Consider placing [readily visible signage](#) at the business to remind everyone of best hygiene practices.
- For employers with more than 10 employees and/or contractors present at one time, consider having an individual wholly or partially dedicated to ensuring the health protocols adopted by the employer are being successfully implemented and followed.

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Additional protocols for in-car instruction and observation and DPS road testing:

- All staff and students should wash their hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds prior to entering a Texas driving school vehicle. While the driving school should provide soap and water, students may choose to bring their own person alcohol-based sanitizer.
- Staff and driving school students must disinfect the vehicle prior to a driving lesson or road exam. Areas cleaned should include the steering wheel, turn signal levers, transmission shifter knob, and outside/inside door handles.
- When inside the training vehicle, the student may be accompanied by one member of the student's household, if any.

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CHECKLIST FOR ALL EMPLOYERS AND EVENT ORGANIZERS

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This checklist is for businesses and entities that fall into a category of business type without a more specific minimum standard health protocol on this website. Those businesses and entities should follow the protocols relevant to operations of the business or entity.

The following are the minimum recommended health protocols for all businesses and other entities choosing to operate in Texas. Employers may adopt additional protocols consistent with their specific needs and circumstances to help protect the health and safety of all employees, contractors, and customers.

The virus that causes COVID-19 can be spread to others by infected persons who have few or no symptoms. Even if an infected person is only mildly ill, the people they spread it to may become seriously ill or even die, especially if that person is 65 or older with pre-existing health conditions that place them at higher risk. Because of the hidden nature of this threat, everyone should rigorously follow the practices specified in these protocols, all of which facilitate a safe and measured reopening of Texas. The virus that causes COVID-19 is still circulating in our communities. We should continue to observe practices that protect everyone, including those who are most vulnerable.

Please note, public health guidance cannot anticipate every unique situation. Employers should stay informed and take actions based on common sense and wise judgment that will protect health and support economic revitalization. Employers should also be mindful of federal and state employment and disability laws, workplace safety standards, and accessibility standards to address the needs of both workers and customers.

Health protocols for your employees and contractors:

- Train all employees and contractors on appropriate cleaning and disinfection, hand hygiene, and respiratory etiquette.
- Screen employees and contractors before coming into the business:
 - Send home any employee or contractor who has any of the following new or worsening signs or symptoms of possible COVID-19:

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Cough - Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing - Chills - Repeated shaking with chills - Muscle pain - Headache 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Sore throat - Loss of taste or smell - Diarrhea - Feeling feverish or a measured temperature greater than or equal to 100.0 degrees Fahrenheit - Known close contact with a person who is lab confirmed to have COVID-19
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 - Do not allow employees or contractors with new or worsening signs or symptoms listed above to return to work until:
 - In the case of an employee or contractor who was diagnosed with COVID-19, the individual may return to work when all three of the following criteria are met: at least 3 days (72 hours) have passed *since recovery* (resolution of fever without the use of fever-reducing

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medications); and the individual has *improvement* in symptoms (e.g., cough, shortness of breath); and at least 10 days have passed *since symptoms first appeared*; or

- In the case of an employee or contractor who has symptoms that could be COVID-19 and does not get evaluated by a medical professional or tested for COVID-19, the individual is assumed to have COVID-19, and the individual may not return to work until the individual has completed the same three-step criteria listed above; or
- If the employee or contractor has symptoms that could be COVID-19 and wants to return to work before completing the above self-isolation period, the individual must obtain a medical professional's note clearing the individual for return based on an alternative diagnosis.

- Do not allow an employee or contractor with known close contact to a person who is lab-confirmed to have COVID-19 to return to work until the end of the 14 day self-quarantine period from the last date of exposure (with an exception granted for healthcare workers and critical infrastructure workers).
- Conduct temperature checks on all employees and contractors at the beginning of their shift, where feasible.
- Have employees and contractors wash or sanitize their hands upon entering the business.
- Have employees and contractors maintain at least 6 feet separation from other individuals. If such distancing is not feasible, other measures such as face covering, hand hygiene, cough etiquette, cleanliness, and sanitation should be rigorously practiced.
- As appropriate, stagger schedules for employees to minimize close contact:
 - Stagger break time schedules to minimize interactions between employees and/or contractors.
 - Stagger start and end times for employees and/or contractors in each shift.
- Continue to encourage individuals to work remotely if possible.
- If an employer provides a meal for employees and/or contractors, employers are recommended to have the meal individually packed for each individual.
- Consistent with the actions taken by many employers across the state, consider having all employees and contractors wear cloth face coverings (over the nose and mouth). If available, employees and contractors should consider wearing non-medical grade face masks.**
- For employers who choose to require masks on their property employees should be instructed to understand that young children and persons who are unable to adjust or remove face coverings should not be regarded as suitable candidates for wearing face coverings. In this case, the decision is up to the individual or their parent, guardian or attendant.**

Health protocols for your facilities:

- If 6 feet of separation is not available between employees, contractors, and/or customers inside the facility, consider the use of engineering controls, such as dividers between individuals, to minimize the chances of transmission of COVID-19

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- Regularly and frequently clean and disinfect any regularly touched surfaces, such as doorknobs, tables, chairs, and restrooms.
- Disinfect any items that come into contact with customers.
- Make hand sanitizer, disinfecting wipes, soap and water, or similar disinfectant readily available to employees, contractors, and customers.
- Consider placing [readily visible signage](#) at the business to remind everyone of best hygiene practices.
- Contactless payment is encouraged. Where not available, contact should be minimized.
- Consider having an employee or contractor manage and control access to the facility, including opening doors to prevent patrons from touching door handles.
- Clean and sanitize the facility regularly, and at least daily.
- Limit the use of standard-size elevators to four individuals at a time, each located at a different corner of the elevator to avoid close contact. Masks should be worn in elevators. Utilize touchpoint cleaning and nanoseptic button covers if appropriate. For individuals not wishing to ride an elevator, ensure stairways are available for use. As appropriate, individuals subject to the Americans with Disabilities Act may ride the elevator alone or accompanied by the individual's caregiver.**
- For employers with more than 10 employees and/or contractors present at one time, consider having an individual wholly or partially dedicated to ensuring the health protocols adopted by the employer are being successfully implemented and followed.

If you rent equipment:

- Disinfect all equipment before and after use.**
- To the extent an individual brings their own equipment to the business, the individual should disinfect the equipment before and after use.
- Provide equipment cleaning products throughout facility for use on equipment.**

Limits on occupancy/group size:

- The number of customers/patrons inside any indoor facility is limited to 50% of the facility's total listed occupancy.
- There is no limit on the number of individuals who may be outside at your facility, provided they are following proper social distancing guidelines and comply with the outside events protocols on this website.
- Configure your facility such that customers or patrons are separated by at least 6 feet from others not within the individual's group while at the facility. The individual's group may not exceed 10 individuals who go to the facility together. A group is defined as no more than 10 persons including the members of the household and those persons who traveled together to the event or facility.

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- As appropriate, consider utilizing remote ticketing options to help manage capacity limitations.
- As appropriate, modify entry and exit procedures to ensure individuals are able to maintain 6 feet separation from individuals outside their group while entering and exiting the facility.
- No tables of more than 10 individuals.
- For theater-style seating, ensure proper spacing between patrons by choosing one of these methods to achieve 6 feet social distancing between groups of patrons and to not exceed 50% of the facility's indoor occupancy limits:
 - For facilities that configure seating arrangements that are not in rows, ensure at least 6 feet of separation between other groups. No tables of more than 10 people.
 - For facilities that configure seating arrangements in rows, maintain at least two empty seats (or six feet separation) between groups in any row, except as follows:
 - Two or more members of the same household can sit adjacent to one another, with two seats (or six feet separation) empty on either side.
 - Two individuals who are not members of the same household but who are attending together can sit adjacent to one another, with two seats (or six feet separation) empty on either side.
 - Alternate rows between patrons (every other row left empty), as appropriate.
- If the facility has outdoor seating, individuals should avoid being in groups larger than 10 individuals. Within these groups, individuals should, to the extent possible, minimize in-person contact with others not in the individual's household. Minimizing in-person contact includes maintaining 6 feet of separation from individuals. When maintaining 6 feet of separation is not feasible, other methods should be utilized to slow the spread of COVID-19, such as wearing a face covering or mask, washing or sanitizing hand frequently, and avoiding sharing utensils or other common objects.

If you serve food and/or beverages:

- For waiter-provided food service:
 - Do not leave condiments, silverware, flatware, glassware, or other traditional table top items on an unoccupied table.
 - Provide condiments only upon request, and in single use (non-reusable) portions.
 - Clean and disinfect the area used for dining (table, etc.) after each group of customers depart the theater.
 - Use disposable menus (new for each patron).
 - If you allow customers to write down their food orders, provide take-home pencils and notepads that cannot be used by other customers.
 - Have wait staff sanitize or wash hands between interactions with customers.

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- For counter food service:
 - Provide condiments or flatware only in single use, individually-wrapped items, and provide condiments only upon request.
 - Have employees and contractors follow proper food-handling protocols.
 - Disinfect any items that come into contact with customers.
- Clean and disinfect the area used for dining (table, etc.) after each group of customers depart, including the disinfecting of tables, chairs, stalls, and countertops.

If you provide valet parking services:

- Utilize the following personal protective equipment for employees and contractors:
 - Cloth face coverings over the nose and mouth, or, if available, non-medical grade face masks over the nose and mouth
 - Single-use disposable gloves that are changed between every interaction with customers and/or vehicles
- Vehicle door handles, ignition switch, steering wheel, and shift knob should be wiped with disinfectant as the valet employee enters and exits the vehicle.
- All workstations and work equipment should be cleaned at the start and the end of each shift, as well as every hour during the shift. These workstations should include the valet podium, key storage locker, tablets, fee computers, receipt printers, etc.
- Valet parking operators should employ contactless payment whenever possible.
- For high volume operations, appropriate physical distancing indicators should be established to ensure customers maintain at least six feet of distance as they wait for their vehicle.
- Where possible, alternative parking options should be provided for customers who are uncomfortable with valet parking.

If you have video game equipment or other interactive amusements:

- Assign at least one employee or contractor full time to disinfect the video games and other interactive amusements. **Continuous disinfecting is needed to protect customers.**
- Disinfect all gaming equipment before and after customer use, if possible.
- Provide equipment disinfecting products throughout facility for use on equipment.
- Ensure only one player can play a game at a time.
- Provide for at least 6 feet of separation between games.
- Provide hand sanitizer throughout the video game or interactive amusement area.

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Fine arts performance halls may operate in Texas. Fine arts performance halls may operate indoors up to 50% of the total listed occupancy; there is no occupancy limit on fine arts performance halls operating outdoors, however, 6 feet distancing between groups is needed and groups cannot exceed 10 persons. The performance hall's employees and contractors are not counted towards the 50% occupancy limitation.

The following are the minimum recommended health protocols for all fine arts performance halls choosing to operate in Texas. Fine arts performance halls may adopt additional protocols consistent with their specific needs and circumstances to help protect the health and safety of all employees, contractors, and patrons.

The virus that causes COVID-19 can be spread to others by infected persons who have few or no symptoms. Even if an infected person is only mildly ill, the people they spread it to may become seriously ill or even die, especially if that person is 65 or older with pre-existing health conditions that place them at higher risk. Because of the hidden nature of this threat, everyone should rigorously follow the practices specified in these protocols, all of which facilitate a safe and measured reopening of Texas. The virus that causes COVID-19 is still circulating in our communities. We should continue to observe practices that protect everyone, including those who are most vulnerable.

Please note, public health guidance cannot anticipate every unique situation. Fine arts performance halls should stay informed and take actions based on common sense and wise judgment that will protect health and support economic revitalization. Fine arts performance halls should also be mindful of federal and state employment and disability laws, workplace safety standards, and accessibility standards to address the needs of both workers and patrons.

Health protocols for serving your patrons:

- Fine arts performance halls are encouraged to utilize remote ticketing options to help manage capacity limitations.
- Paper tickets and programming should be minimized as much as possible. It is advisable to avoid any transferable materials.
- If possible, set reserved times for entry to avoid mass arrivals.
- Groups should maintain at least 6 feet of distance from other groups at all times, including while waiting to be seated in the performance hall or for admission to the performance hall. A group is defined as no more than 10 persons including the members of the household and those persons who traveled together to the facility or on the same reservation.
- Pathways for patrons' ingress and egress should be clear and unobstructed.
- Patrons should not loiter in the lobby, where 6 feet of distance cannot be maintained, spread out patrons who are not seated as much as possible.
- Designate staff to ensure patrons maintain a 6-foot distance between groups if patrons are waiting to enter the performance hall.
- A hand sanitizing station should be available upon entry to the performance hall.

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- Ensure proper spacing between patrons by choosing one of these methods to achieve 6 feet social distancing between groups of patrons and to not exceed 50% of the facility's indoor occupancy limits:
 - For performance halls that configure seating arrangements which are not in rows, ensure at least 6 feet of separation between other groups. No tables of more than 10 people.
 - For performance halls that configure seating arrangements in rows, maintain at least two empty seats (or six feet separation) between groups in any row, except as follows:
 - Two or more members of the same household can sit adjacent to one another, with two seats (or six feet separation) empty on either side.
 - Two individuals who are not members of the same household but who are attending together can sit adjacent to one another, with two seats (or six feet separation) empty on either side.
 - Alternate rows between patrons (every other row left empty), as appropriate.
 - Any other method to provide at least six feet of separation between groups of up to 10 individuals who attend the performance hall together.
 - Disinfect seats and frequently touched areas between performances.
 - If the performance is outdoors individuals should avoid being in a group larger than 10 individuals. Within these groups, individuals should, to the extent possible, minimize in-person contact with others not in the individual's household. Minimizing in-person contact includes maintaining 6 feet of separation from individuals. When maintaining 6 feet of separation is not feasible, other methods should be utilized to slow the spread of COVID-19, such as wearing a face covering or mask, washing or sanitizing hand frequently, and avoiding sharing utensils or other common objects.
- For fine arts performance halls providing food service to patrons:
 - Do not leave condiments, silverware, flatware, glassware, or other traditional table top items on an unoccupied table.
 - Provide condiments only upon request, and in single use (non-reusable) portions.
 - Clean and disinfect the area used for dining (table, etc.) after each group of patrons departs.
 - Use disposable menus (new for each patron).
 - If the performance hall allows patrons to write down their food orders inside the hall, provide take-home pencils and notepads that cannot be used by other patrons.
 - Have wait staff sanitize or wash hands between interactions with patrons.
- Fine arts performance halls with counter food service for patrons:
 - Provide condiments or utensils only in single use, individually-wrapped items, and provide condiments only upon request.
 - Have employees and contractors follow proper food-handling protocols.
 - Disinfect any items that come into contact with patrons.
 - Set line markers to ensure social distancing while awaiting service

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- For fine arts performance halls providing bar service to patrons:
 - Take steps to ensure 6 feet social distancing is maintained at the bar between individual patrons, between patrons and waitstaff, and between patrons and bar items such as clean glassware and ice. Such separation may be obtained by ensuring bartenders remain at least 6 feet from customers at the bar, such as by taping off or otherwise blocking bartenders from being within 6 feet of a seated customer, or through the use of engineering controls, such as dividers, to keep individuals and/or the bar items separate from other individuals.**
 - Set line markers to ensure social distancing while awaiting service.
 - Disinfect any items that come into contact with patrons.
 - Make hand sanitizer, disinfecting wipes, soap and water, or similar disinfectant readily available to employees and patrons.
- Contactless payment is encouraged. Where not available, contact should be minimized.

Health protocols for your fine arts performance halls employees and contractors:

- Train all employees and contractors on appropriate cleaning and disinfection, hand hygiene, and respiratory etiquette.
- Screen employees and contractors before coming into the performance hall:
 - Send home any employee or contractor who has any of the following new or worsening signs or symptoms of possible COVID-19:

<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Cough- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing- Chills- Repeated shaking with chills- Muscle pain- Headache	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Sore throat- Loss of taste or smell- Diarrhea- Feeling feverish or a measured temperature greater than or equal to 100.0 degrees Fahrenheit- Known close contact with a person who is lab confirmed to have COVID-19
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 - Do not allow employees or contractors with new or worsening signs or symptoms listed above to return to work until:
 - In the case of an employee or contractor who was diagnosed with COVID-19, the individual may return to work when all three of the following criteria are met: at least 3 days (72 hours) have passed *since recovery* (resolution of fever without the use of fever-reducing medications); and the individual has *improvement* in symptoms (e.g., cough, shortness of breath); and at least 10 days have passed *since symptoms first appeared*; or
 - In the case of an employee or contractor who has symptoms that could be COVID-19 and does not get evaluated by a medical professional or tested for COVID-19, the individual is assumed to have COVID-19, and the individual may not return to work until the individual has completed the same three-step criteria listed above; or

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- If the employee or contractor has symptoms that could be COVID-19 and wants to return to work before completing the above self-isolation period, the individual must obtain a medical professional's note clearing the individual for return based on an alternative diagnosis.
- Do not allow an employee or contractor with known close contact to a person who is lab-confirmed to have COVID-19 to return to work until the end of the 14-day self-quarantine period from the last date of exposure (with an exception granted for healthcare workers and critical infrastructure workers).
- Take the temperature of all employees, contractors, and volunteers upon arrival, if possible.
- Have employees and contractors wash or sanitize their hands upon entering the performance hall, and between interactions with patrons.
- Have employees and contractors maintain at least 6 feet of separation from other individuals. If such distancing is not feasible, other measures such as face covering, hand hygiene, cough etiquette, cleanliness, and sanitation should be rigorously practiced.
- If a performance hall provides a meal for employees and/or contractors, the performance hall is recommended to have the meal individually packed for each individual.
- Consistent with the actions taken by many businesses across the state, consider having all employees and contractors wear cloth face coverings (over the nose and mouth). If available, employees and contractors should consider wearing non-medical grade face masks.

Health protocols for your fine arts performance hall facilities:

- Regularly and frequently clean and disinfect any regularly touched surfaces, such as doorknobs, tables, chairs, and restrooms.
- If possible, provide restroom attendants to maintain cleanliness standards.
- Disinfect any items that come into contact with patrons.
- Make hand sanitizer, disinfecting wipes, soap and water, or similar disinfectant readily available to employees, contractors, and patrons.
- Consider placing [readily visible signage](#) at the performance hall to remind everyone of best hygiene practices.
- Clean and disinfect the area used for dining (table, etc.) after each group of patrons depart, including the disinfecting of tables, chairs, stalls, and countertops.
- For performance halls with more than 10 employees and/or contractors present at one time, consider having an individual wholly or partially dedicated to ensuring the health protocols adopted by the performance hall are being successfully implemented and followed.
- Maintain sanitization and distancing standards in backstage areas.

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Gyms and exercise facilities and classes may operate up to 50% of the total listed occupancy of the gym or exercise facility. Employees and contractors of the gym or exercise facility are not counted towards the occupancy limitation. The following are the minimum recommended health protocols for all gyms and exercise facilities and classes, whether indoor, outdoor, individual, or group, choosing to operate in Texas. Gyms and exercise facilities and classes may adopt additional protocols consistent with their specific needs and circumstances to help protect the health and safety of all employees, contractors, and customers.

The virus that causes COVID-19 can be spread to others by infected persons who have few or no symptoms. Even if an infected person is only mildly ill, the people they spread it to may become seriously ill or even die, especially if that person is 65 or older with pre-existing health conditions that place them at higher risk. Because of the hidden nature of this threat, everyone should rigorously follow the practices specified in these protocols, all of which facilitate a safe and measured reopening of Texas. The virus that causes COVID-19 is still circulating in our communities. We should continue to observe practices that protect everyone, including those who are most vulnerable.

Please note, public health guidance cannot anticipate every unique situation. Gym and exercise facilities and classes should stay informed and take actions based on common sense and wise judgment that will protect health and support economic revitalization. Gyms and exercise facilities and classes should also be mindful of federal and state employment and disability laws, workplace safety standards, and accessibility standards to address the needs of both workers and customers.

Health protocols for your employees and contractors:

- Train all employees and contractors on appropriate cleaning and disinfection, hand hygiene, and respiratory etiquette.
- Screen employees and contractors before coming into the gym or exercise facility or class:
 - Send home any employee or contractor who has any of the following new or worsening signs or symptoms of possible COVID-19:

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Cough - Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing - Chills - Repeated shaking with chills - Muscle pain - Headache 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Sore throat - Loss of taste or smell - Diarrhea - Feeling feverish or a measured temperature greater than or equal to 100.0 degrees Fahrenheit - Known close contact with a person who is lab confirmed to have COVID-19
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 - Do not allow employees or contractors with new or worsening signs or symptoms listed above to return to work until:
 - In the case of an employee or contractor who was diagnosed with COVID-19, the individual may return to work when all three of the following criteria are met: at least 3 days (72 hours) have passed *since recovery* (resolution of fever without the use of fever-reducing medications); and the individual has *improvement* in symptoms (e.g., cough, shortness of breath); and at least 10 days have passed *since symptoms first appeared*; or

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- In the case of an employee or contractor who has symptoms that could be COVID-19 and does not get evaluated by a medical professional or tested for COVID-19, the individual is assumed to have COVID-19, and the individual may not return to work until the individual has completed the same three-step criteria listed above; or
 - If the employee or contractor has symptoms that could be COVID-19 and wants to return to work before completing the above self-isolation period, the individual must obtain a medical professional's note clearing the individual for return based on an alternative diagnosis.
- Do not allow an employee or contractor with known close contact to a person who is lab-confirmed to have COVID-19 to return to work until the end of the 14 day self-quarantine period from the last date of exposure (with an exception granted for healthcare workers and critical infrastructure workers).
- Have employees and contractors wash or sanitize their hands upon entering the gym or exercise facility.
- Have employees and contractors maintain at least 6 feet of separation from other individuals. If such distancing is not feasible, other measures such as face covering, hand hygiene, cough etiquette, cleanliness, and sanitation should be rigorously practiced.
- If a gym or exercise facility or class provides a meal for employees and/or contractors, the gym or exercise facility is recommended to have the meal individually packed for each individual.
- Consistent with the actions taken by many employers across the state, consider having all employees and contractors wear cloth face coverings (over the nose and mouth). If available, employees should consider wearing non-medical grade face masks.

Health protocols for your facilities:

- Space workout equipment to provide for at least 6 feet of separation between patrons.
- Regularly and frequently clean and disinfect any regularly touched surfaces, such as doorknobs, tables, chairs, restrooms, and shower and locker room facilities. Ensure spacing in showers and locker room facilities by, for example, closing off certain lockers and/or showers.
- Disinfect any items that come into contact with customers.
- Provide equipment cleaning products throughout the gym or exercise facility or class for use on equipment, including dead weights.**
- Make hand sanitizer, disinfecting wipes, soap and water, or similar disinfectant readily available to employees, contractors, and customers.
- Consider placing [readily visible signage](#) at the gym or exercise facility or class to remind everyone of best hygiene practices.
- For facilities with more than 10 employees and/or contractors present at one time, consider having an individual wholly or partially dedicated to ensuring the health protocols adopted by the facility are being successfully implemented and followed.

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The following are the minimum recommended health protocols for all individuals in Texas. These minimum health protocols are not a limit on the health protocols that individuals may adopt. Individuals are encouraged to adopt additional protocols consistent with their specific needs and circumstances to help protect the health and safety of all Texans.

The virus that causes COVID-19 can be spread to others by infected persons who have few or no symptoms. Even if an infected person is only mildly ill, the people they spread it to may become seriously ill or even die, especially if that person is 65 or older with pre-existing health conditions that place them at higher risk. Because of the hidden nature of this threat, everyone should rigorously follow the practices specified in these protocols, all of which facilitate a safe and measured reopening of Texas. The virus that causes COVID-19 is still circulating in our communities. We should continue to observe practices that protect everyone, including those who are most vulnerable.

Please note, public health guidance cannot anticipate every unique situation. Individuals should stay informed and take actions based on common sense and wise judgment that will protect health and support economic revitalization.

Health protocols for individuals:

- Individuals should avoid being in a group larger than 10 individuals (including those within the individual's household). Within these groups, individuals should, to the extent possible, minimize in-person contact with others not in the individual's household. Minimizing in-person contact includes maintaining 6 feet of separation from individuals. When maintaining 6 feet of separation is not feasible, other methods should be utilized to slow the spread of COVID-19, such as wearing a face covering or mask, washing or sanitizing hand frequently, and avoiding sharing utensils or other common objects.
 - In certain settings, such as restaurants and bars, minimizing in-person contact is more difficult, and wearing face coverings or masks is not feasible. For this reason, tables at restaurants and bars should not exceed 10 individuals.
 - In other settings, the group size may be larger than 10 individuals, based on the particular recommended minimum health protocols. In those settings, individuals should, to the extent possible, minimize in-person contact and use other methods to slow the spread of COVID-19.
- Self-screen before going into a business for any of the following new or worsening signs or symptoms of possible COVID-19:

<input type="checkbox"/> Cough <input type="checkbox"/> Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing <input type="checkbox"/> Chills <input type="checkbox"/> Repeated shaking with chills <input type="checkbox"/> Muscle pain <input type="checkbox"/> Headache	<input type="checkbox"/> Sore throat <input type="checkbox"/> Loss of taste or smell <input type="checkbox"/> Diarrhea <input type="checkbox"/> Feeling feverish or a measured temperature greater than or equal to 100.0 degrees Fahrenheit <input type="checkbox"/> Known close contact with a person who is lab confirmed to have COVID-19
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- Wash or disinfect hands upon entering a business and after any interaction with employees, other customers, or items in the business.
- Consistent with the actions taken by many individuals across the state, consider wearing cloth face coverings (over the nose and mouth) when entering a business, or when within 6 feet of another person who is not a member of the individual's household. If available, individuals should consider wearing non-medical grade face masks. One benefit of wearing a mask is to remind you not to touch your face.
- Individuals aged 65 or older are at a higher risk of COVID-19. To the extent possible, avoid being within 6 feet with individuals aged 65 and older. Individuals aged 65 and older should stay at home as much as possible.**
- Carry and use hand sanitizer regularly, especially before eating.
- A group in this guidance is defined as: 10 or fewer persons including household members and including those who traveled together to the event or facility. Between groups or other persons outside of the group, 6 feet of distancing should be maintained and within 6 feet face coverings are strongly recommended.

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Non-CISA manufacturing facilities may operate up to 50% of the facility's total listed occupancy.

The following are the minimum recommended health protocols for all manufacturers choosing to operate in Texas. Manufacturers may adopt additional protocols consistent with their specific needs and circumstances to help protect the health and safety of all employees, contractors, and customers.

The virus that causes COVID-19 can be spread to others by infected persons who have few or no symptoms. Even if an infected person is only mildly ill, the people they spread it to may become seriously ill or even die, especially if that person is 65 or older with pre-existing health conditions that place them at higher risk. Because of the hidden nature of this threat, everyone should rigorously follow the practices specified in these protocols, all of which facilitate a safe and measured reopening of Texas. The virus that causes COVID-19 is still circulating in our communities. We should continue to observe practices that protect everyone, including those who are most vulnerable.

Please note, public health guidance cannot anticipate every unique situation. Manufacturers should stay informed and take actions based on common sense and wise judgment that will protect health and support economic revitalization. Manufacturers should also be mindful of federal and state employment and disability laws, workplace safety standards, and accessibility standards to address the needs of both workers and customers.

Health protocols for your employees and contractors:

- Train all employees and contractors on appropriate cleaning and disinfection, hand hygiene, and respiratory etiquette.
- Screen employees and contractors before coming into the manufacturing facility:
 - Send home any employee or contractor who has any of the following new or worsening signs or symptoms of possible COVID-19:

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Cough - Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing - Chills - Repeated shaking with chills - Muscle pain - Headache 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Sore throat - Loss of taste or smell - Diarrhea - Feeling feverish or a measured temperature greater than or equal to 100.0 degrees Fahrenheit - Known close contact with a person who is lab confirmed to have COVID-19
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 - Do not allow employees or contractors with new or worsening signs or symptoms listed above to return to work until:
 - In the case of an employee or contractor who was diagnosed with COVID-19, the individual may return to work when all three of the following criteria are met: at least 3 days (72 hours) have passed *since recovery* (resolution of fever without the use of fever-reducing medications); and the individual has *improvement* in symptoms (e.g., cough, shortness of breath); and at least 10 days have passed *since symptoms first appeared*; or
 - In the case of an employee or contractor who has symptoms that could be COVID-19 and does not get evaluated by a medical professional or tested for COVID-19, the individual is assumed to have COVID-19, and the individual may not return to work until the individual has completed the same three-step criteria listed above; or

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- In the case of an employee or contractor who has symptoms that could be COVID-19 and does not get evaluated by a medical professional or tested for COVID-19, the individual is assumed to have COVID-19, and the individual may not return to work until the individual has completed the same three-step criteria listed above; or
 - If the employee or contractor has symptoms that could be COVID-19 and wants to return to work before completing the above self-isolation period, the individual must obtain a medical professional's note clearing the individual for return based on an alternative diagnosis.
- Do not allow an employee or contractor with known close contact to a person who is lab-confirmed to have COVID-19 to return to work until the end of the 14 day self-quarantine period from the last date of exposure (with an exception granted for healthcare workers and critical infrastructure workers).
- Have employees and contractors wash or sanitize their hands upon entering the manufacturing facility.
- Have employees and contractors maintain at least 6 feet separation from other individuals. If such distancing is not feasible, other measures such as face covering, hand hygiene, cough etiquette, cleanliness, and sanitation should be rigorously practiced.
- If a manufacturer provides a meal for employees and/or contractors, the manufacturer is recommended to have the meal individually packed for each individual.
- Stagger schedules for employees to minimize close contact:
 - Stagger break time schedules to minimize interactions between employees and/or contractors.
 - Stagger start and end times for employees and/or contractors in each shift.
- Consistent with the actions taken by many manufacturers across the state, consider having all employees and contractors wear cloth face coverings (over the nose and mouth). If available, employees should consider wearing non-medical grade face masks.

Health protocols for your facilities:

- Regularly and frequently clean and disinfect any regularly touched surfaces, such as doorknobs, tables, chairs, and restrooms.
- Disinfect any items that come into contact with customers.
- If 6 feet of separation is not available for employees and/or contractors in the manufacturing facility, consider the use of engineering controls, such as dividers between individuals, to minimize the chances of transmission of COVID-19
- Make hand sanitizer, disinfecting wipes, soap and water, or similar disinfectant readily available to employees, contractors, and customers.
- Consider placing [readily visible signage](#) at the manufacturing facility to remind everyone of best hygiene practices.
- For manufacturing facilities with more than 10 employees and/or contractors present at one time, consider having an individual wholly or partially dedicated to ensuring the health protocols adopted by the manufacturing facility are being successfully implemented and followed.

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CHECKLIST FOR MEDIA PRODUCTION

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Effective June 3, 2020, on-set/on-location media production may operate provided they can ensure at least 6 feet social distancing while working and comply with other safety recommendations. Because of the proximity between individuals and the collaborative nature of media production, stringent compliance with these protocols is strongly recommended. Generally, if the activity is outside, follow these protocols. If the activity is inside, follow the employer protocols except as modified herein.

The following are the minimum recommended health protocols for media productions choosing to operate in Texas. Media productions may adopt additional protocols consistent with their specific needs and circumstances to help protect the health and safety of all employees, crew, cast and independent contractors.

The virus that causes COVID-19 can be spread to others by infected persons who have few or no symptoms. Even if an infected person is only mildly ill, the people they spread it to may become seriously ill or even die, especially if that person is 65 or older with pre-existing health conditions that place them at higher risk. Because of the hidden nature of this threat, everyone should rigorously follow the practices specified in these protocols, all of which facilitate a safe and measured reopening of Texas. The virus that causes COVID-19 is still circulating in our communities. We should continue to observe practices that protect everyone, including those who are most vulnerable.

Please note, public health guidance cannot anticipate every unique situation. Media Productions should stay informed and take actions based on common sense and wise judgment that will protect health and support economic revitalization. Media productions are encouraged to complete the production registration form on the Texas Film Commission website, to ensure they will receive the most updated health and safety information and guidance. Media productions should also be mindful of federal and state employment and disability laws, workplace safety standards, and accessibility standards to address the needs of both employers and employees. Productions should also comply with any applicable municipal production permitting requirements.

Getting media productions, employees, crew, cast and contractors ready to open:

- Notify employees, crew, cast and contractors of all COVID-19 processes and procedures.
- Limit the number of individuals indoors at any time to 50% of the building's capacity; there is no maximum capacity for a production outdoors. To the extent feasible, maintain 6 feet spacing between individuals at all times.
- Production office staff not reporting to set should follow the [Checklist for Office-Based Employees](#) and Employers. Offices may operate with up to the greater of 10 individuals or 50% of the total office workforce provided the individuals in the office maintain appropriate social distancing.
- Productions utilizing a mill space for construction should follow the [Checklist for Manufacturers](#).
- Provide health screenings for employees, crew, cast and contractors before coming into the production offices, mill and on-set each day. A medic or designated safety officer is strongly recommended.
- Send home any employee, crew member, cast or contractor who has any of the following new or worsening signs or symptoms of possible COVID-19:
 - Cough
 - Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
 - Chills
 - Repeated shaking with chills
 - Muscle pain
 - Headache
 - Sore throat
 - Loss of taste or smell
 - Diarrhea
 - Feeling feverish or a measured temperature greater than or equal to 100.0 degrees Fahrenheit
 - Known close contact with a person who is lab confirmed to have COVID-19

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- Do not allow employees, crew, cast or contractors with new or worsening signs or symptoms listed above to return to work until:
 - In the case of an employee or contractor who was diagnosed with COVID-19, the individual may return to work when all three of the following criteria are met: at least 3 days (72 hours) have passed *since recovery* (resolution of fever without the use of fever-reducing medications); and the individual has *improvement* in symptoms (e.g., cough, shortness of breath); and at least 10 days have passed *since symptoms first appeared*; or
 - In the case of an employee or contractor who has symptoms that could be COVID-19 and does not get evaluated by a medical professional or tested for COVID-19, the individual is assumed to have COVID-19, and the individual may not return to work until the individual has completed the same three-step criteria listed above; or
 - If the employee or contractor has symptoms that could be COVID-19 and wants to return to work before completing the above self-isolation period, the individual must obtain a medical professional's note clearing the individual for return based on an alternative diagnosis.
- Take the temperature of all staff upon arrival at the set or other location.
- Do not allow an employee or contractor with known close contact to a person who is lab-confirmed to have COVID-19 to return to work until the end of the 14-day self-quarantine period from the last date of exposure.

While in production:

- Close sets to all visitors, clients, office personnel, and other non-essential personnel.
- Provide resources and a work environment that promotes personal hygiene. For example, provide tissues, hand soap, alcohol-based hand sanitizers containing at least 60 percent alcohol, disinfectants, and disposable hand towels for employees, crew, cast and contractors to clean their work surfaces.
- Disinfectants should come from this list: <https://www.epa.gov/pesticide-registration/list-n-disinfectants-use-against-sars-cov-2>
- Provide hand sanitizer or a place to wash hands with both hot and cold water with hand soap, disposable towels, and a no-touch trash can.
- Individuals should, to the extent feasible, maintain social distancing of at least 6 feet from others.
- Consider placing readily visible signage at the entrance to the set, production office, and mill space with the phone number of the production's safety officer and or the employee in charge of supplies for sanitation, etc.
- When possible, pre-production, production, and post-production meetings, location and technical scouts, and conferences should occur virtually.
- Consider limiting daily hours worked to allow for crew rest and time for proper sanitation of work spaces, equipment, costumes, props, and set decoration.
- Remove all unnecessary items from set, limit personnel congregating, and do not store equipment in common areas. Consider quarantining costumes, props, and set decoration until needed.

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- Sanitize props and set dressing prior to filming use, during breaks, and upon completion and storage.
- Consider placing [readily visible signage](#) at each entrance and eye-level at stations notifying employees, crew, cast and contractors that people with symptoms of COVID-19 or who have recently been exposed to someone with symptoms must leave work immediately. Reminders to wash or sanitize hands and other safety practices should also be posted in common areas.
- When possible, crew members and contractors should not share equipment, and individuals should supply necessary tools from their personal kits. Any shared tools or equipment should be disinfected before and after use.
- Employees, crew, cast and contractors should wash or sanitize their hands upon entering the set or offices.
- Face masks or fabric face coverings should always be worn by employers, employees, crew, cast (when not on camera) and contractors when on-set even when individuals are practicing social distancing.
 - On camera talent, who are not able to wear a mask while performing, should wear a mask or face covering before and after they complete their performance. Performers may be subject to additional safety requirements pertaining to their trade organization or guild.
- If at any time an employee or contractor touches their face, nose, eyes, cell phone, door or any surface they have not sanitized, they should immediately rewash their hands with soap and water.
- Use disposable supplies to keep from having to handle and disinfect multi-use supplies.
- Use disposable towels when possible and dispose of them after use.

Maintaining a healthy set:

- Wipe down all and disinfect surfaces daily and between use including computers, landline phones, etc.
- To minimize personnel on set, consider moving some departments off set to remote locations where they can still fulfill their functions.
- Fully sanitization workstations daily. This includes a complete wipe down with disinfectant cleaners or wipes of all surfaces touched and equipment used.
- Clean and disinfect shared equipment and tools before and after each use.
- Discard single-use equipment and tools after use.
- Wipe clean and disinfect electrical equipment that cannot be immersed in liquid before each use.
- Store all clean and disinfected tools, equipment, and materials, such as costumes, in a clean, dry, debris-free environment when not in use.
- Store clean and disinfected tools and materials separate from soiled tools and materials. Ultraviolet electrical sanitizers are acceptable for use as a dry storage container.
- Thoroughly clean floors each day.
- Empty all trash containers daily, and keep the containers clean by washing or using plastic liners.

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- Catering meals and craft service items should be individually packaged. Utensils should be single use.
- Individuals should eat separately and practice social distancing and when breaking for meals. Consider staggering meal breaks for crew and cast.

Additional items:

- Productions should follow all required and applicable permitting guidelines.
- Additional health and safety requirements may be required by trade organizations, insurance providers, and location or property owners.
- Social distancing measures and other health and safety practices detailed above should be adhered to when filming at an outdoor location.

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CHECKLIST FOR MOVIE THEATERS

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Movie theaters may operate up to 50% of the total listed occupancy of any individual theater for any screening. The movie theater's employees and contractors are not counted towards the 50% occupancy limitation.

The following are the minimum recommended health protocols for all movie theaters choosing to operate in Texas. Movie theaters may adopt additional protocols consistent with their specific needs and circumstances to help protect the health and safety of all employees, contractors, and customers.

The virus that causes COVID-19 can be spread to others by infected persons who have few or no symptoms. Even if an infected person is only mildly ill, the people they spread it to may become seriously ill or even die, especially if that person is 65 or older with pre-existing health conditions that place them at higher risk. Because of the hidden nature of this threat, everyone should rigorously follow the practices specified in these protocols, all of which facilitate a safe and measured reopening of Texas. The virus that causes COVID-19 is still circulating in our communities. We should continue to observe practices that protect everyone, including those who are most vulnerable.

Please note, public health guidance cannot anticipate every unique situation. Movie theaters should stay informed and take actions based on common sense and wise judgment that will protect health and support economic revitalization. Movie theaters should also be mindful of federal and state employment and disability laws, workplace safety standards, and accessibility standards to address the needs of both workers and customers.

Health protocols for serving your customers:

- Movie theaters are encouraged to utilize remote ticketing options to help manage capacity limitations.
- Ensure proper spacing between patrons in the movie theater:
 - For movie theaters that configure seating arrangements which are not in rows, ensure at least 6 feet of separation between other groups. No tables of more than 10 people.
 - For movie theaters that configure seating arrangements in rows, maintain at least two empty seats (or six feet separation) between groups in any row, except as follows:
 - Two or more members of the same household can sit adjacent to one another, with two seats (or six feet separation) empty on either side.
 - Two individuals who are not members of the same household but who are attending together can sit adjacent to one another, with two seats (or six feet separation) empty on either side.
 - Alternate rows between patrons (every other row left empty), as appropriate.
 - Any other method to provide at least six feet of separation between groups of up to 10 individuals who attend the movie theater together.
 - Disinfect seats and frequently touched areas between screenings.
- For movie theaters providing food service to patrons:
 - Do not leave condiments, silverware, flatware, glassware, or other traditional table top items on an unoccupied table.
 - Provide condiments only upon request, and in single use (non-reusable) portions.
 - Clean and disinfect the area used for dining (table, etc.) after each group of customers depart the theater.
 - Use disposable menus (new for each patron).

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- If the theater allows customers to write down their food orders inside the theater, provide take-home pencils and notepads that cannot be used by other customers.
- Have wait staff sanitize or wash hands between interactions with customers.
- Movie theaters with counter food service for patrons:
 - Provide condiments or flatware only in single use, individually-wrapped items, and provide condiments only upon request.
 - Have employees and contractors follow proper food-handling protocols.
 - Disinfect any items that come into contact with customers.
- Contactless payment is encouraged. Where not available, contact should be minimized.

Health protocols for your theater employees and contractors:

- Train all employees and contractors on appropriate cleaning and disinfection, hand hygiene, and respiratory etiquette.
- Screen employees and contractors before coming into the movie theater:
 - Send home any employee or contractor who has any of the following new or worsening signs or symptoms of possible COVID-19:

<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Cough- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing- Chills- Repeated shaking with chills- Muscle pain- Headache	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Sore throat- Loss of taste or smell- Diarrhea- Feeling feverish or a measured temperature greater than or equal to 100.0 degrees Fahrenheit- Known close contact with a person who is lab confirmed to have COVID-19
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 - Do not allow employees or contractors with new or worsening signs or symptoms listed above to return to work until:
 - In the case of an employee or contractor who was diagnosed with COVID-19, the individual may return to work when all three of the following criteria are met: at least 3 days (72 hours) have passed *since recovery* (resolution of fever without the use of fever-reducing medications); and the individual has *improvement* in symptoms (e.g., cough, shortness of breath); and at least 10 days have passed *since symptoms first appeared*; or
 - In the case of an employee or contractor who has symptoms that could be COVID-19 and does not get evaluated by a medical professional or tested for COVID-19, the individual is assumed to have COVID-19, and the individual may not return to work until the individual has completed the same three-step criteria listed above; or
 - If the employee or contractor has symptoms that could be COVID-19 and wants to return to work before completing the above self-isolation period, the individual must obtain a medical professional's note clearing the individual for return based on an alternative diagnosis.

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- Do not allow an employee or contractor with known close contact to a person who is lab-confirmed to have COVID-19 to return to work until the end of the 14 day self-quarantine period from the last date of exposure (with an exception granted for healthcare workers and critical infrastructure workers).
- Have employees and contractors wash or sanitize their hands upon entering the movie theater, and between interactions with customers.
- Have employees and contractors maintain at least 6 feet separation from other individuals. If such distancing is not feasible, other measures such as face covering, hand hygiene, cough etiquette, cleanliness, and sanitation should be rigorously practiced.
- If a movie theater provides a meal for employees and/or contractors, the movie theater is recommended to have the meal individually packed for each individual.
- Consistent with the actions taken by many businesses across the state, consider having all employees and contractors wear cloth face coverings (over the nose and mouth). If available, employees and contractors should consider wearing non-medical grade face masks.

Health protocols for your theater facilities:

- Regularly and frequently clean and disinfect any regularly touched surfaces, such as doorknobs, tables, chairs, and restrooms.
- Disinfect any items that come into contact with customers.
- Make hand sanitizer, disinfecting wipes, soap and water, or similar disinfectant readily available to employees, contractors, and customers.
- Consider placing [readily visible signage](#) at the movie theater to remind everyone of best hygiene practices.
- Clean and disinfect the area used for dining (table, etc.) after each group of customers depart, including the disinfecting of tables, chairs, stalls, and countertops.
- For movie theaters with more than 10 employees and/or contractors present at one time, consider having an individual wholly or partially dedicated to ensuring the health protocols adopted by the movie theater are being successfully implemented and followed.

If you have video game equipment or other interactive amusements:

- Assign at least one employee or contractor full time to disinfect the video games and other interactive amusements. **Continuous disinfecting is needed to protect customers.**
- Disinfect all gaming equipment before and after customer use.
- Provide equipment disinfecting products throughout facility for use on equipment.
- Ensure only one player can play a game at a time.
- Provide for at least 6 feet of separation between games.

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CHECKLIST FOR MUSEUMS AND LIBRARIES

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Museums and libraries may operate up to 50% of the total listed occupancy. Local public museums and libraries may operate only if permitted by the local government. Employees and contractors of the museum or library are not counted towards the 50% occupancy limitation. The following are the minimum recommended health protocols for all museums and libraries choosing to operate in Texas. Museums and libraries may adopt additional protocols consistent with their specific needs and circumstances to help protect the health and safety of all employees, contractors, volunteers, and customers.

The virus that causes COVID-19 can be spread to others by infected persons who have few or no symptoms. Even if an infected person is only mildly ill, the people they spread it to may become seriously ill or even die, especially if that person is 65 or older with pre-existing health conditions that place them at higher risk. Because of the hidden nature of this threat, everyone should rigorously follow the practices specified in these protocols, all of which facilitate a safe and measured reopening of Texas. The virus that causes COVID-19 is still circulating in our communities. We should continue to observe practices that protect everyone, including those who are most vulnerable.

Please note, public health guidance cannot anticipate every unique situation. Museums and libraries should stay informed and take actions based on common sense and wise judgment that will protect health and support economic revitalization. Museums and libraries should also be mindful of federal and state employment and disability laws, workplace safety standards, and accessibility standards to address the needs of both workers and customers.

Health protocols for serving your customers:

- Museums and libraries are encouraged to utilize remote ticketing options to help manage capacity limitations.
- For museums and libraries providing food service to visitors:
 - Do not leave condiments, silverware, flatware, glassware, or other traditional table top items on an unoccupied table.
 - Provide condiments only upon request, and in single use (non-reusable) portions.
 - Clean and disinfect the area used for dining (table, etc.) after each group of customers depart the theater.
 - Use disposable menus (new for each patron).
 - Have wait staff sanitize or wash hands between interactions with customers.
- Museums and libraries with counter food service for visitors:
 - Provide condiments or flatware only in single use, individually-wrapped items, and provide condiments only upon request.
 - Have employees, volunteers, and contractors follow proper food-handling protocols.

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- Disinfect any items that come into contact with customers.
- Contactless payment is encouraged. Where not available, contact should be minimized.

Health protocols for your employees, contractors, and volunteers:

- Train all employees, contractors, and volunteers on appropriate cleaning and disinfection, hand hygiene, and respiratory etiquette.
- Screen employees, contractors, and volunteers before coming into the museum or library:
 - Send home any employee, contractor, or volunteer who has any of the following new or worsening signs or symptoms of possible COVID-19:

<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Cough- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing- Chills- Repeated shaking with chills- Muscle pain- Headache	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Sore throat- Loss of taste or smell- Diarrhea- Feeling feverish or a measured temperature greater than or equal to 100.0 degrees Fahrenheit- Known close contact with a person who is lab confirmed to have COVID-19
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 - Do not allow employees, contractors, or volunteers with new or worsening signs or symptoms listed above to return to work until:
 - In the case of an employee, contractor, or volunteer who was diagnosed with COVID-19, the individual may return to work when all three of the following criteria are met: at least 3 days (72 hours) have passed *since recovery* (resolution of fever without the use of fever-reducing medications); and the individual has *improvement* in symptoms (e.g., cough, shortness of breath); and at least 10 days have passed *since symptoms first appeared*; or
 - In the case of an employee, contractor, or volunteer who has symptoms that could be COVID-19 and does not get evaluated by a medical professional or tested for COVID-19, the individual is assumed to have COVID-19, and the individual may not return to work until the individual has completed the same three-step criteria listed above; or
 - If the employee, contractor, or volunteer has symptoms that could be COVID-19 and wants to return to work before completing the above self-isolation period, the individual must obtain a medical professional's note clearing the individual for return based on an alternative diagnosis.
 - Do not allow an employee, contractor, or volunteer with known close contact to a person who is lab-confirmed to have COVID-19 to return to work until the end of the 14-day self-quarantine period from the last date of exposure (with an exception granted for healthcare workers and critical infrastructure workers).

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- Have employees, contractors, and volunteers wash or sanitize their hands upon entering the museum or library, and between interactions with visitors.
- Have employees, contractors, and volunteers maintain at least 6 feet separation from other individuals. If such distancing is not feasible, measures such as face covering, hand hygiene, cough etiquette, cleanliness, and sanitation should be rigorously practiced
- If the museum or library provides a meal for employees, contractors, and/or volunteers, the museum or library is recommended to have the meal individually packed for each individual.
- Consistent with the actions taken by many businesses across the state, consider having all employees, contractors, and volunteers wear cloth face coverings (over the nose and mouth). If available, employees, contractors, and volunteers should consider wearing non-medical grade face masks.

Health protocols for your facilities:

- Block off items of the facility that are frequently touched, such as tabletops and countertops, to prevent the spreading of germs between groups.
- Regularly and frequently clean and disinfect any regularly touched surfaces, such as doorknobs, tables, chairs, handrails, and restrooms.
- Disinfect any items that come into contact with visitors.
- Make hand sanitizer, disinfecting wipes, soap and water, or similar disinfectant readily available to employees and visitors.
- Consider placing [readily visible signage](#) at the facility to remind everyone of best hygiene practices.
- For facilities with more than 10 employees, contractors, and/or volunteers present at one time, consider having an individual wholly or partially dedicated to ensuring the health protocols adopted by the facility are being successfully implemented and followed.

If your facility has video game equipment or other interactive amusements:

- Assign at least one employee or contractor full time to disinfect the video games and other interactive amusements. **Continuous disinfecting is needed to protect customers.**
- Disinfect all gaming equipment before and after customer use.
- Provide equipment disinfecting products throughout facility for use on equipment.
- Ensure only one player can play a game at a time.
- Provide for at least 6 feet of separation between games.

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CHECKLIST FOR NAIL SALONS/SHOPS

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Nail salons/shops may operate provided they can ensure at least 6 feet social distancing between operating work stations. Because of the proximity between individuals in these facilities, stringent compliance with these protocols is strongly recommended.

The following are the minimum recommended health protocols for nail salons/shops choosing to operate in Texas. Nail salons/shops may adopt additional protocols consistent with their specific needs and circumstances to help protect the health and safety of all employees, independent contractors, and customers.

The virus that causes COVID-19 can be spread to others by infected persons who have few or no symptoms. Even if an infected person is only mildly ill, the people they spread it to may become seriously ill or even die, especially if that person is 65 or older with pre-existing health conditions that place them at higher risk. Because of the hidden nature of this threat, everyone should rigorously follow the practices specified in these protocols, all of which facilitate a safe and measured reopening of Texas. The virus that causes COVID-19 is still circulating in our communities. We should continue to observe practices that protect everyone, including those who are most vulnerable.

Please note, public health guidance cannot anticipate every unique situation. Nail salons/shops should stay informed and take actions based on common sense and wise judgment that will protect health and support economic revitalization. Nail salons/shops should also be mindful of federal and state employment and disability laws, workplace safety standards, and accessibility standards to address the needs of both workers and customers.

Getting nail salon/shop, employees, and contractors ready to open:

- Notify employees and contractors of all COVID-19 processes and procedures and require them to sign a statement acknowledging they understand and will adhere to the guidelines.
- Screen employees and contractors before coming into the nail salon:
 - Send home any employee or contractor who has any of the following new or worsening signs or symptoms of possible COVID-19:

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Cough - Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing - Chills - Repeated shaking with chills - Muscle pain - Headache 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Sore throat - Loss of taste or smell - Diarrhea - Feeling feverish or a measured temperature greater than or equal to 100.0 degrees Fahrenheit - Known close contact with a person who is lab confirmed to have COVID-19
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 - Do not allow employees or contractors with new or worsening signs or symptoms listed above to return to work until:

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- In the case of an employee or contractor who was diagnosed with COVID-19, the individual may return to work when all three of the following criteria are met: at least 3 days (72 hours) have passed *since recovery* (resolution of fever without the use of fever-reducing medications); and the individual has *improvement* in symptoms (e.g., cough, shortness of breath); and at least 10 days have passed *since symptoms first appeared*; or
- In the case of an employee or contractor who has symptoms that could be COVID-19 and does not get evaluated by a medical professional or tested for COVID-19, the individual is assumed to have COVID-19, and the individual may not return to work until the individual has completed the same three-step criteria listed above; or
- If the employee or contractor has symptoms that could be COVID-19 and wants to return to work before completing the above self-isolation period, the individual must obtain a medical professional's note clearing the individual for return based on an alternative diagnosis.

- Do not allow an employee or contractor with known close contact to a person who is lab-confirmed to have COVID-19 to return to work until the end of the 14 day self-quarantine period from the last date of exposure (with an exception granted for health care workers and critical infrastructure workers).
- Consider implementing a similar policy for clients.
 - For temperature checks, the preferred method is a no-contact thermometer, such as a forehead thermometer, if possible.
 - Do not use a contact thermometer on multiple persons without disposable guards or disinfection between persons.
- Provide resources and a work environment that promote personal hygiene. For example, provide tissues, hand soap, alcohol-based hand sanitizers containing at least 60 percent alcohol, disinfectants, and disposable towels for licensees to clean their work surfaces.
- Disinfectants must come from this list: <https://www.epa.gov/pesticide-registration/list-n-disinfectants-use-against-sars-cov-2>
- Provide a place to wash hands with both hot and cold water with hand soap, disposable towels, and a no-touch trash can.

Before an appointment:

- Appointments should be scheduled to limit the amount of people in the salon/shop.
- Walk-in clients should wait either in their own cars or outside with at least six feet separation between individuals.
- Do not allow clients to bring extra people to the appointment, such as children.

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- Only schedule the number of clients that will allow for social distancing of at least six feet from others.
- A sign should be posted at the entrance to the salon/shop with a phone number that clients should call to schedule an appointment when they arrive outside the salon/shop.
- Only bring clients into the building when the licensee is ready for them, to eliminate anyone needing to spend any time in the lobby or waiting area.
- Remove all unnecessary items such as magazines from the lobby or waiting area.
- Contactless payment is encouraged. Where not available, contact should be minimized.
- Signs should be posted at each entrance and eye-level at stations notifying clients that people with symptoms of COVID-19 or who have recently been exposed to someone with symptoms must reschedule their appointment.
- Do not provide services to a client if you have reason to believe that they are sick or have a contagious condition.

Once inside the nail salon/shop:

- Do not let clients touch/handle retail supplies, such as nail polish when selecting colors.
- Require all clients to wash their hands upon entering the salon/shop and before each treatment.
- Take measures to ensure that clients do not interact with each other in the salon/shop.
- Face masks or fabric face coverings should always be worn by employers, employees, contractors, and clients while inside the salon/shop, even if individuals are practicing social distancing.
 - Employees should be instructed to understand that young children and persons who are unable to adjust or remove face coverings should not be regarded as suitable candidates for wearing face coverings. The decision is up to the individual or their parent, guardian or attendant.

Providing services:

- If gloves cannot be worn for a service, then hands must be washed with soap and water prior to providing services. Hands must be washed for a minimum of 20 seconds.
- If at any time an employee or contractor touches their face, nose, eyes, cell phone, door, credit card machine or any surface they have not sanitized, they must immediately change their gloves or rewash hands with soap and water.
- Use disposable supplies to keep from having to handle and disinfect multi-use supplies.
- Use disposable towels when possible and dispose of them after use.

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Continue to service clients with the cleaning and sanitation you already practice:

- If gloves are worn, they must be removed and properly disposed of immediately upon completion of the service.
- All surfaces must be wiped down and sanitized between use including computers, landline phones, etc.
- Full sanitization of workstations, chairs, etc., must occur after each client. This includes a complete wipe down with disinfectant cleaners or wipes of all surfaces touched and products used.
- Multi-use equipment and tools must be cleaned and disinfected before use on each client.
- Single-use equipment and tools must be discarded after use on a single client.
- Electrical equipment that cannot be immersed in liquid shall be wiped clean and disinfected before use on each client.
- All clean and disinfected tools and materials shall be stored in a clean, dry, debris free environment when not in use.
- Clean and disinfected tools and materials must be stored separate from soiled tools and materials. Ultraviolet electrical sanitizers are acceptable for use as a dry storage container. Non-cosmetology or barbering related supplies must be stored in separate drawers or locations.
- Manicure tables shall be disinfected prior to use for each client.
- Floors shall be thoroughly cleaned each day.
- All trash containers must be emptied daily and kept clean by washing or using plastic liners.
- Non-disposable towels used during services must be immediately removed and placed in a disposable laundry receptacle (such as a bag that is discarded after use) at the conclusion of the service.
- If the salon/shop uses a laundry basket or reusable bag, it must be sanitized between uses and should never be used for clean towels/capes.
- Towels must be washed in hot water and chlorine bleach and only clean towels shall be used on clients.
- Clean towels should only be handled by someone who has cleaned their hands immediately before touching the towels or someone who has a fresh pair of gloves.
- All on-site laundry rooms or laundry storage rooms must be fully sanitized daily.

Additional items:

- If an employee or contractor tests positive for COVID-19, immediately report that to the local health authority and provide notification to employees, contractors, and clients. The notification may be made via phone call, e-mail, or text. The notification to the local health authority and to employees, contractors, and clients must occur no later than 24 hours of receiving information of a positive test result.

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Employers may operate their offices with up to the greater of 10 individuals or 50% of the total office workforce, provided the individuals maintain appropriate social distancing.

The following are the minimum recommended health protocols for all office work employers choosing to operate in Texas. Office work employers may adopt additional protocols consistent with their specific needs and circumstances to help protect the health and safety of all employees, contractors, and customers.

The virus that causes COVID-19 can be spread to others by infected persons who have few or no symptoms. Even if an infected person is only mildly ill, the people they spread it to may become seriously ill or even die, especially if that person is 65 or older with pre-existing health conditions that place them at higher risk. Because of the hidden nature of this threat, everyone should rigorously follow the practices specified in these protocols, all of which facilitate a safe and measured reopening of Texas. The virus that causes COVID-19 is still circulating in our communities. We should continue to observe practices that protect everyone, including those who are most vulnerable.

Please note, public health guidance cannot anticipate every unique situation. Office work employers should stay informed and take actions based on common sense and wise judgment that will protect health and support economic revitalization. Employers should also be mindful of federal and state employment and disability laws, workplace safety standards, and accessibility standards to address the needs of both workers and customers.

Health protocols for your employees and contractors:

- Train all employees and contractors on appropriate cleaning and disinfection, hand hygiene, and respiratory etiquette.
- Screen employees and contractors before coming into the office:
 - Send home any employee or contractor who has any of the following new or worsening signs or symptoms of possible COVID-19:
 - Cough
 - Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
 - Chills
 - Repeated shaking with chills
 - Muscle pain
 - Headache
 - Sore throat
 - Loss of taste or smell
 - Diarrhea
 - Feeling feverish or a measured temperature greater than or equal to 100.0 degrees Fahrenheit
 - Known close contact with a person who is lab confirmed to have COVID-19

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- Do not allow employees with new or worsening signs or symptoms listed above to return to work until:
 - In the case of an employee or contractor who was diagnosed with COVID-19, the individual may return to work when all three of the following criteria are met: at least 3 days (72 hours) have passed *since recovery* (resolution of fever without the use of fever-reducing medications); and the individual has *improvement* in symptoms (e.g., cough, shortness of breath); and at least 10 days have passed *since symptoms first appeared*; or
 - In the case of an employee or contractor who has symptoms that could be COVID-19 and does not get evaluated by a medical professional or tested for COVID-19, the individual is assumed to have COVID-19, and the individual may not return to work until the individual has completed the same three-step criteria listed above; or
 - If the employee or contractor has symptoms that could be COVID-19 and wants to return to work before completing the above self-isolation period, the individual must obtain a medical professional's note clearing the individual for return based on an alternative diagnosis.
- Do not allow an employee or contractor with known close contact to a person who is lab-confirmed to have COVID-19 to return to work until the end of the 14 day self-quarantine period from the last date of exposure (with an exception granted for healthcare workers and critical infrastructure workers).
- Have employees and contractors wash or sanitize their hands upon entering the office.
- Have employees and contractors maintain at least 6 feet separation from other individuals. If such distancing is not feasible, other measures such as face covering, hand hygiene, cough etiquette, cleanliness, and sanitation should be rigorously practiced.
- Consider implementing a staggered workforce, such as alternating days or weeks for different groups of employees and/or contractors coming into the workplace.
- Continue to encourage individuals to work remotely if possible.
- If an employer provides a meal for employees and/or contractors, the employer is recommended to have the meal individually packed for each individual.
- Consistent with the actions taken by many employers across the state, consider having all employees and contractors wear cloth face coverings (over the nose and mouth). If available, employees should consider wearing non-medical grade face masks.

Health protocols for your facilities:

- Regularly and frequently clean and disinfect any regularly touched surfaces, such as doorknobs, tables, chairs, and restrooms.

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- Limit the use of standard-size elevators to four individuals at a time, each located at a different corner of the elevator to avoid close contact. Masks should be worn in elevators. Utilize touchpoint cleaning and nanoseptic button covers if appropriate. For individuals not wishing to ride an elevator, ensure stairways are available for use. As appropriate, individuals subject to the Americans with Disabilities Act may ride the elevator alone or accompanied by the individual's caregiver.
- Disinfect any items that come into contact with customers.
- Make hand sanitizer, disinfecting wipes, soap and water, or similar disinfectant readily available to employees, contractors, and customers.
- Consider placing [readily visible signage](#) at the office to remind everyone of best hygiene practices.
- For offices with more than 10 employees and/or contractors present at one time, consider having an individual wholly or partially dedicated to ensuring the health protocols adopted by the office are being successfully implemented and followed.

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Outdoor events, such as July 4 celebrations and other large outdoor gatherings with estimated attendance of 500 or more, are permissible to hold in Texas. The county judge or the mayor, as appropriate, in coordination with the local public health authority, may decide if a particular outdoor event should be modified or the occupancy further limited based on the facts and circumstances of the event and COVID-19 in the particular jurisdiction, based on the factors set forth below.

The following are the minimum recommended health protocols for all outdoor events in Texas. These minimum health protocols are not a limit on the health protocols that individuals may adopt. Individuals are encouraged to adopt additional protocols consistent with their specific needs and circumstances to help protect the health and safety of all Texans.

The virus that causes COVID-19 can be spread to others by infected persons who have few or no symptoms. Even if an infected person is only mildly ill, the people they spread it to may become seriously ill or even die, especially if that person is 65 or older with pre-existing health conditions that place them at higher risk. Because of the hidden nature of this threat, everyone should rigorously follow the practices specified in these protocols, all of which facilitate a safe and measured reopening of Texas. The virus that causes COVID-19 is still circulating in our communities. We should continue to observe practices that protect everyone, including those who are most vulnerable.

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Health protocols for individuals:

- Individuals aged 65 or older are at a higher risk of COVID-19. To the extent possible, avoid contact within 6 feet with individuals aged 65 and older. Individuals aged 65 and older should stay at home as much as possible. Large gatherings, even those held outside, pose a significant risk to this population.**
- Individuals should avoid being in a group larger than 10 individuals (including those within the individual's household). Within these groups, individuals should, to the extent possible, minimize in-person contact with others not in the individual's household. Minimizing in-person contact includes maintaining 6 feet of separation from individuals. When maintaining 6 feet of separation is not feasible, other methods should be utilized to slow the spread of COVID-19, such as wearing a face covering or mask, washing or sanitizing hand frequently, and avoiding sharing utensils or other common objects.**
- Individuals should maintain 6 feet of separation from others outside the individual's group. A group is defined as no more than 10 persons including the members of the household and those persons who traveled together to the event.**
- Self-screen before going to an outdoor event for any of the following new or worsening signs or symptoms of possible COVID-19:**

<input type="checkbox"/> Cough <input type="checkbox"/> Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing <input type="checkbox"/> Chills <input type="checkbox"/> Repeated shaking with chills <input type="checkbox"/> Muscle pain <input type="checkbox"/> Headache	<input type="checkbox"/> Sore throat <input type="checkbox"/> Loss of taste or smell <input type="checkbox"/> Diarrhea <input type="checkbox"/> Feeling feverish or a measured temperature greater than or equal to 100.0 degrees Fahrenheit <input type="checkbox"/> Known close contact with a person who is lab confirmed to have COVID-19
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- Wash or disinfect hands after any interaction with employees, other individuals, or items at the outdoor event.
- Consistent with the actions taken by many individuals across the state, consider wearing cloth face coverings (over the nose and mouth) at the outdoor event when within 6 feet of another person who is not a member of the individual's group.
- Clean and sanitize any items before and after use.

Local approval factors:

- Local approval for large outdoor gatherings (those with an estimated attendance exceeding 500 individuals) is appropriate in this instance because a statewide standard is unable to take into account the various factors needed to ensure such a gathering in varied locations is safe and will minimize the spread of COVID-19. Further, business parity is not an issue at large outdoor events.
- In evaluating large gatherings (those with an estimated attendance exceeding 500 individuals), the county judge or the mayor, as applicable, in consultation with the local public health authority, should consider the following factors:
 - The overall number of projected attendees;
 - The likelihood of individuals over the age of 65 attending;
 - The density of the forum and the ability to ensure social distancing of 6 feet between individuals; and
 - The level of transmission in the county.
- Gatherings of less than 500 individuals may proceed consistent with all the health protocols above without approval of the county judge, local health authority, or mayor, as applicable.

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Outdoor motorsports may operate up to 50% of their normal operating limits as determined by the venue owner, provided such events are operated under guidelines that facilitate appropriate social distancing.

The following are the minimum recommended health protocols for all individuals engaging in, and sponsors putting on, outdoor motorsport events in Texas. Individuals and sponsors may adopt additional protocols consistent with their specific needs and circumstances to help protect the health and safety of all employees, contractors, volunteers, and participants.

The virus that causes COVID-19 can be spread to others by infected persons who have few or no symptoms. Even if an infected person is only mildly ill, the people they spread it to may become seriously ill or even die, especially if that person is 65 or older with pre-existing health conditions that place them at higher risk. Because of the hidden nature of this threat, everyone should rigorously follow the practices specified in these protocols, all of which facilitate a safe and measured reopening of Texas. The virus that causes COVID-19 is still circulating in our communities. We should continue to observe practices that protect everyone, including those who are most vulnerable.

Please note, public health guidance cannot anticipate every unique situation. Outdoor motorsport event operators should stay informed and take actions based on common sense and wise judgment that will protect health and support economic revitalization. Outdoor motorsport event operators should also be mindful of federal and state employment and disability laws, workplace safety standards, and accessibility standards to address the needs of both workers and customers.

Health protocols for your spectators:

- Outdoor motorsports are encouraged to utilize remote ticketing options to help manage capacity limitations.
- Ensure proper spacing between patrons in the venue:
 - For venues that configure seating arrangements which are not in rows, ensure at least 6 feet of separation between other groups. No tables of more than 10 people.
 - For venues that configure seating arrangements in rows, maintain at least two empty seats (or six feet separation) between groups in any row, except as follows:
 - Two or more members of the same household can sit adjacent to one another, with two seats (or six feet separation) empty on either side.
 - Two individuals who are not members of the same household but who are attending together can sit adjacent to one another, with two seats (or six feet separation) empty on either side.
 - Alternate rows between patrons (every other row left empty), as appropriate.
 - Any other method to provide at least six feet of separation between groups of up to 10 individuals who attend the venue together.
 - Disinfect seats and frequently touched areas between events.

Health protocols for your employees, racers, and contractors:

- Individuals not currently competing should remain at least 6 feet away from other individuals. Remaining in vehicles before and after a race, or in separate areas during other events, is strongly recommended.

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- If an employer provides a meal for employees, racers, or contractors, employers are recommended to have the meal individually packed for each individual, and delivered in a way that avoids or minimizes contact.
- Train all employees, contractors, volunteers, and participants on appropriate cleaning and disinfection, hand hygiene, and respiratory etiquette.
- Make hand sanitizer, disinfecting wipes, soap and water, or similar disinfectant readily available to employees, racers, and contractors.
- Screen employees, contractors, volunteers, and participants before the sporting event:
 - Send home any employee, contractor, volunteer, or participant who has any of the following new or worsening signs or symptoms of possible COVID-19:

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Cough – Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing – Chills – Repeated shaking with chills – Muscle pain – Headache 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Sore throat – Loss of taste or smell – Diarrhea – Feeling feverish or a measured temperature greater than or equal to 100.0 degrees Fahrenheit – Known close contact with a person who is lab confirmed to have COVID-19
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 - Do not allow employees, contractors, volunteers, or participants with new or worsening signs or symptoms listed above to return to work until:
 - In the case of an individual who was diagnosed with COVID-19, the individual may return to work when all three of the following criteria are met: at least 3 days (72 hours) have passed *since recovery* (resolution of fever without the use of fever-reducing medications); and the individual has *improvement* in symptoms (e.g., cough, shortness of breath); and at least 10 days have passed *since symptoms first appeared*; or
 - In the case of an individual who has symptoms that could be COVID-19 and does not get evaluated by a medical professional or tested for COVID-19, the individual is assumed to have COVID-19, and the individual may not return to work until the individual has completed the same three-step criteria listed above; or
 - If the individual has symptoms that could be COVID-19 and wants to return to work before completing the above self-isolation period, the individual must obtain a medical professional's note clearing the individual for return based on an alternative diagnosis.
- Do not allow an individual with known close contact to a person who is lab-confirmed to have COVID-19 to return to the event until the end of the 14-day self-quarantine period from the last date of exposure (with an exception granted for healthcare workers and critical infrastructure workers).
- Consider having an individual wholly or partially dedicated to ensuring the health protocols adopted by the employer are being successfully implemented and followed.
- Consider placing readily visible signage throughout the venue to remind everyone of best hygiene practices.
- Regularly and frequently clean and disinfect any frequently touched surfaces, such as doorknobs, tables, chairs, and restrooms using EPA-approved disinfecting products proven to be effective against SARS-CoV-2, the virus that causes COVID-19.
- Disinfect any items that come into contact with employees, racers, or contractors before and after use.

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- Individuals aged 65 or older, and those with serious underlying medical conditions are at a higher risk of COVID-19. To the extent possible, avoid being within 6 feet of these individuals. Individuals at elevated risk for severe illness due to COVID-19 should stay at home as much as possible.

Health protocols for racing:

- Maintain at least 6 feet of separation from other individuals not within the same household. If such distancing is not feasible, other measures such as face covering, hand hygiene, cough etiquette, cleanliness, and sanitation should be rigorously practiced. Face shields may be considered as additional source control either in addition to face coverings, or where face coverings are not feasible. Considerations must be made regarding safety of face coverings during physical exertion or in hot environments.
- Wash hands with soap for at least 20 seconds, or, if not available, use hand sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol content, upon entering the racing venue and after any interaction with other racers or personnel. Each racer should perform hand hygiene when entering or leaving the race track.
- Disinfect any items that come into contact with individuals, including sporting event equipment.
- Individuals actively engaged in racing are not required to wear a face mask while racing but should use a face mask when not racing.
- Six feet of distancing should be maintained in all congregate settings including the locker room, break rooms, workout or practice facilities, and showering facilities. Where distancing is not feasible, consider implementing engineered controls such as physical barriers.
- Avoid sharing drink bottles, personal items (e.g., towels), and any other items that may become contaminated with the virus that causes COVID-19. Any items that must be shared should be cleaned and disinfected between uses.
- Train all employees and racers on appropriate cleaning and disinfection, hand hygiene, social distancing, signs and symptoms of COVID-19, handling of face coverings, and respiratory etiquette. CDC guidance regarding cleaning and disinfection can be found here: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/organizations/cleaning-disinfection.htm>.
- Review employee/player benefit policies to ensure that there are no policies that incentivize employees to work when sick, or that penalize those who stay home appropriately when sick.

Health protocols for your facilities:

- If 6 feet of separation is not available between individuals at the event, consider the use of engineering controls, such as dividers between individuals, to minimize the chances of transmission of COVID-19.
- Regularly and frequently clean and disinfect any regularly touched surfaces, such as doorknobs, tables, chairs, and restrooms.
- Disinfect any items that come into contact with individuals, including sporting event equipment.
- Make hand sanitizer, disinfecting wipes, soap and water, or similar disinfectant readily available to employees, contractors, and customers.

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- Consider placing [readily visible signage](#) at the venue to remind everyone of best hygiene practices.
- Consider having an individual wholly or partially dedicated to ensuring the health protocols adopted by the employer are being successfully implemented and followed.

If you serve food and/or beverages:

- For waiter-provided food service:
 - Do not leave condiments, silverware, flatware, glassware, or other traditional table top items on an unoccupied table.
 - Provide condiments only upon request, and in single use (non-reusable) portions.
 - Clean and disinfect the area used for dining (table, etc.) after each group of customers depart the area.
 - Use disposable menus (new for each patron).
 - If you allow customers to write down their food orders, provide take-home pencils and notepads that cannot be used by other customers.
 - Have wait staff sanitize or wash hands between interactions with customers.
- For counter food service:
 - Provide condiments or flatware only in single use, individually-wrapped items, and provide condiments only upon request.
 - Have employees and contractors follow proper food-handling protocols.
 - Disinfect any items that come into contact with customers.
- Clean and disinfect the area used for dining (table, etc.) after each group of customers depart, including the disinfecting of tables, chairs, stalls, and countertops.
- Block off or remove self-service drink fountains.

If you have video game equipment or other interactive amusements:

- Assign at least one employee or contractor full time to disinfect the video games and other interactive amusements. **Continuous disinfecting is needed to protect customers.**
- Disinfect all gaming equipment before and after customer use.
- Provide equipment disinfecting products throughout facility for use on equipment.
- Ensure only one player can play a game at a time.
- Provide for at least 6 feet of separation between games.

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CHECKLIST FOR OUTDOOR SPORTS PARTICIPANTS

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Individuals may engage in outdoor sports, provided that the sports do not include contact with other participants, and no more than four participants play the sport at any time.

The following are the minimum recommended health protocols for all individuals engaging in outdoor sports in Texas. These minimum health protocols are not a limit on the health protocols that individuals may adopt.

Individuals are encouraged to adopt additional protocols consistent with their specific needs and circumstances to help protect the health and safety of all Texans.

The virus that causes COVID-19 can be spread to others by infected persons who have few or no symptoms. Even if an infected person is only mildly ill, the people they spread it to may become seriously ill or even die, especially if that person is 65 or older with pre-existing health conditions that place them at higher risk. Because of the hidden nature of this threat, everyone should rigorously follow the practices specified in these protocols, all of which facilitate a safe and measured reopening of Texas. The virus that causes COVID-19 is still circulating in our communities. We should continue to observe practices that protect everyone, including those who are most vulnerable.

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Health protocols for outdoor sports participants:

- Self-screen before playing in an outdoor sport for any of the following, new or worsening signs or symptoms of possible COVID-19:
 - Cough
 - Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
 - Chills
 - Repeated shaking with chills
 - Muscle pain
 - Headache
 - Sore throat
 - Loss of taste or smell
 - Diarrhea
 - Feeling feverish or a measured temperature greater than or equal to 100.0 degrees Fahrenheit
 - Known close contact with a person who is lab confirmed to have COVID-19
- Special consideration for golf courses:
 - Clean and sanitize golf carts and push carts between uses.
 - Clean and disinfect driving range golf balls between use.
 - Ensure separation of at least 6 feet between golfers on the driving range.
- Individuals aged 65 or older are at a higher risk of COVID-19. To the extent possible, avoid contact within 6 feet with individuals aged 65 and older. Individuals aged 65 and older should stay at home as much as possible.**

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CHECKLIST FOR RESIDENT/OVERNIGHT YOUTH CAMP FAMILIES

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Be advised:

Youth camps, whether resident/overnight or day should follow the below health and safety protocols. These protocols may be updated based on guidance from the CDC and/or the American Academy of Pediatrics.

A note about children and COVID-19:

The virus that causes COVID-19 can infect people of all ages. While the risk of serious illness or loss of life is greatest in those 65 years of age or older with pre-existing health conditions, persons in every age group can become infected with COVID-19 and some may become seriously ill or even die.

We should all be thankful that, with rare exceptions, COVID-19 is not claiming the lives of our children. However, we can never forget that a child with a mild or even asymptomatic case of COVID-19 can spread that infection to others who may be far more vulnerable.

COVID-19 is spread from person to person through contact that is close enough to share droplets generated by coughing, sneezing, speaking, and even just breathing. COVID-19 can also be spread by touching objects where contaminated droplets have landed. Because of this easy manner of transmission, an infant, child or young person who is infected with COVID-19 can spread the infection to others they come in close contact with, such as members of their household, teachers, or other caregivers. We have learned that infected persons with mild or even no symptoms can spread COVID-19.

These facts are vitally important when considering the reopening of schools, child care centers, youth camps and other places that provide care and education for our children.

One thing is for certain: We must find reasonably safe ways to restore these services so that our children can be cared for and educated, and for their parents and guardians to be able to return to work.

For adults in the workplace or other public spaces, we are confident that if certain measures such as cloth face coverings or non-medical grade masks, respiratory etiquette, frequent hand washing / hand sanitation and environmental cleaning and sanitizing are widely observed, we can then proceed with reopening Texas in a safe and measured way.

However, such protective measures that we can expect from adults are, for a variety of reasons, simply not possible for infants, children and youth to practice in schools, child care centers, and youth camps. In some cases, the child will be too young to understand and practice these precautions. We cannot, for example, expect a group of toddlers or schoolchildren not to engage in interactive play or share toys,

All of these factors mean that while certain precautions against the spread of COVID-19 can and will be applied to schools, child care centers, and youth camps, the infection control measures that can be put in place in these settings will differ from those that are suitable for other social, business and commercial settings.

Every adult who is responsible for providing care or education for infants, children and youth in these settings must be aware of these facts and be willing to comply with the infection control measures that

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will be in place in these settings. Parents should monitor the health of their children and not send them to the program if they exhibit any symptom of COVID-19. They should seek COVID-19 testing promptly and report results to the program given the implications for other children, families, and staff. Individuals aged 65 or older are at a higher risk of COVID-19. Parents should protect any vulnerable persons who are members of the same household or come into frequent, close contact with infants, children and youth who attend child care centers, schools, or youth camps.

About minimum health protocols:

The following are the minimum recommended health protocols for all individuals attending a resident/overnight youth camp in Texas. These minimum health protocols are not a limit on the health protocols that individuals may adopt. Individuals are encouraged to adopt additional protocols consistent with their specific needs and circumstances to help protect the health and safety of all Texans.

The virus that causes COVID-19 can be spread to others by infected persons who have few or no symptoms. Even if an infected person is only mildly ill, the people they spread it to may become seriously ill or even die, especially if that person is 65 or older with pre-existing health conditions that place them at higher risk. Because of the hidden nature of this threat, everyone should rigorously follow the practices specified in these protocols, all of which facilitate a safe and measured reopening of Texas. The virus that causes COVID-19 is still circulating in our communities. We should continue to observe practices that protect everyone, including those who are most vulnerable.

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Health protocols for resident/overnight campers:

- When and if informed by the camp operator that a child at camp has tested positive for COVID-19, the parent or guardian may choose to either pick up their camper or to let the camper remain and trust the camp to take appropriate safeguards.
- Be aware of the enhanced risks of participants being in direct contact with anyone age 65 or older for 14 days after the camp session.
- Before attending, upon arrival, and at least daily while at camp, the camper should be screened for any of the following new or worsening signs or symptoms of possible COVID-19:

<input type="checkbox"/> Cough <input type="checkbox"/> Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing <input type="checkbox"/> Chills <input type="checkbox"/> Repeated shaking with chills <input type="checkbox"/> Muscle pain <input type="checkbox"/> Headache	<input type="checkbox"/> Sore throat <input type="checkbox"/> Loss of taste or smell <input type="checkbox"/> Diarrhea <input type="checkbox"/> Feeling feverish or a measured temperature greater than or equal to 100.0 degrees Fahrenheit <input type="checkbox"/> Known close contact with a person who is lab confirmed to have COVID-19
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- Once arriving at camp, do not have contact with the outside community until the camp session ends, including leaving the camp for school or family functions.
- Wash or sanitize hands at regular intervals, including before and after every meal and activity.
- Consistent with the actions taken by many individuals across the state, consider wearing cloth face coverings (over the nose and mouth) when at camp. If available, individuals should consider wearing non-medical grade face masks.

Health protocols for parents or guardians:

- Do not visit the camp during or between camp sessions, except to drop-off and pick-up campers.
 - Maintain a separation of at least 6 feet from individuals not within the household during camper drop-off and pick-up.
 - Remain in the vehicle at camper drop-off and pick-up, if possible.
 - No tours of the camp or cabins at camper drop-off or pick-up.
- Be available to pick up, or arrange to have picked up, a camper within 8 hours of notification that the camper is exhibiting symptoms of COVID-19 and needs to be removed from the camp.
 - A camper exhibiting COVID-19 symptoms will be immediately isolated until pick-up.
 - If the camper is tested for COVID-19 and tests positive, report the positive test to the camp.
 - Resident campers confirmed to have COVID-19 may not return to camp until all three of the following criteria are met: at least 3 days (72 hours) have passed *since recovery* (resolution of fever without the use of fever-reducing medications); and the individual has *improvement in symptoms* (e.g., cough, shortness of breath); and at least 10 days have passed *since symptoms first appeared*.
- Parents or guardians may choose to wait nearby until the camper's health screening is complete.
- Consistent with the actions taken by many individuals across the state, parents or guardians should consider wearing cloth face coverings (over the nose and mouth) when picking up or dropping off at camp. If available, individuals should consider wearing non-medical grade face masks.
- Camps should act consistent with all US State Department travel restrictions for international travel.

Health protocols for vulnerable populations:

Campers returning from an overnight camp should minimize in-person contact with any person 65 years of age or older, especially those with pre-existing health conditions, for a period of 14 days. This includes maintaining social distancing of at least 6 feet of separation from those individuals, wearing a face covering or mask, and avoiding sharing utensils or other common objects with those individuals.

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CHECKLIST FOR PARKS/BEACHES/BODIES OF WATER

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While parks, beaches, rivers, and lakes may be open indoor swimming pools may operate up to 50% of the total listed occupancy of the swimming pool facility and outdoor swimming pools may operate up to 50% of the normal operating limits as determined by the swimming pool owner. Swimming pools open at the discretion of the pool owner.

The following are the minimum recommended health protocols for all individuals visiting parks and engaging in water activities, such as visiting beaches, rivers, and lakes. These minimum health protocols are not a limit on the health protocols that individuals may adopt. Individuals are encouraged to adopt additional protocols consistent with their specific needs and circumstances to help protect the health and safety of all Texans.

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Health protocols for individuals:

- Individuals should avoid being in a group larger than 10 individuals. Within these groups, individuals should, to the extent possible, minimize in-person contact with others not in the individual's household. Minimizing in-person contact includes maintaining 6 feet of separation from individuals. When maintaining 6 feet of separation is not feasible, other methods should be utilized to slow the spread of COVID-19, such as wearing a face covering or mask, washing or sanitizing hand frequently, and avoiding sharing utensils or other common objects.
- Self-screen before going to a park, beach, or other public open space for any of the following new or worsening signs or symptoms of possible COVID-19:
 - Cough
 - Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
 - Chills
 - Repeated shaking with chills
 - Muscle pain
 - Headache
 - Sore throat
 - Loss of taste or smell
 - Diarrhea
 - Feeling feverish or a measured temperature greater than or equal to 100.0 degrees Fahrenheit
 - Known close contact with a person who is lab confirmed to have COVID-19
- Wash or disinfect hands after any interaction with employees, other customers, or items in the park, beach, river, or lake.
- Consistent with the actions taken by many individuals across the state, consider wearing cloth face coverings (over the nose and mouth) at a park, beach, river, or lake when within 6 feet of another

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person who is not a member of the individual's group. The individual's group may not exceed the greater of the individual's household or up to 10 individuals who arrived at the park, beach, river, or lake together. If available, individuals should consider wearing non-medical grade face masks Face coverings should not be worn while in the water.

- Clean and sanitize recreational water equipment before and after use.
- Special consideration for river rafting and similar activities:**
 - Any vehicle used to transport individuals between places along the river must be cleaned and disinfected between uses.
 - If such a vehicle is a bus, alternate rows should be used.
 - Individuals should not sit within 6 feet of any other person not with the individual's group.
 - Individuals should sanitize hands before getting onto such a vehicle.
 - Face coverings are strongly recommended while on the vehicle.
- Individuals aged 65 or older are at a higher risk of COVID-19. To the extent possible, avoid contact within 6 feet with individuals aged 65 and older. Individuals aged 65 and older should stay at home as much as possible.**

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Restaurants may operate for dine-in service up to 50% of the total listed occupancy inside the restaurant; outdoor dining is not subject to an occupancy limit; and restaurant employees and contractors are not counted towards the occupancy limitation. Effective June 12, 2020 restaurants may operate for dine-in service up to 75% of the total listed occupancy inside the restaurant. This applies only to restaurants that have less than 51% of their gross sales from alcoholic beverages. Restaurants may continue to provide to-go or delivery services.

The following are the minimum recommended health protocols for all restaurants choosing to operate in Texas. Restaurants may adopt additional protocols consistent with their specific needs and circumstances to help protect the health and safety of all employees, contractors, and customers.

The virus that causes COVID-19 can be spread to others by infected persons who have few or no symptoms. Even if an infected person is only mildly ill, the people they spread it to may become seriously ill or even die, especially if that person is 65 or older with pre-existing health conditions that place them at higher risk. Because of the hidden nature of this threat, everyone should rigorously follow the practices specified in these protocols, all of which facilitate a safe and measured reopening of Texas. The virus that causes COVID-19 is still circulating in our communities. We should continue to observe practices that protect everyone, including those who are most vulnerable.

Please note, public health guidance cannot anticipate every unique situation. Restaurants should stay informed and take actions based on common sense and wise judgment that will protect health and support economic revitalization. Restaurants should also be mindful of federal and state employment and disability laws, workplace safety standards, and accessibility standards to address the needs of both workers and customers.

Health protocols for serving your customers:

- Groups maintain at least 6 feet of distance from other groups at all times, including while waiting to be seated in the restaurant. The 6 feet of distance between groups seated at different tables is not required if the restaurant provides engineering controls, such as a partition, between the tables.
 - A booth may be next to another booth as long as a partition is constructed between the booths, and that partition is at least 6 feet tall above ground level.
 - Tables should generally be at least 6 feet apart from any part of another table. However, a restaurant may have tables at least 4 feet apart from any part of another table, provided the restaurant uses a partition between the tables that is at least 6 feet tall and 6 feet wide.
- Make a hand sanitizing station available upon entry to the restaurant.
- No tables of more than 10 people.
- Dining:
 - Do not leave condiments, silverware, flatware, glassware, or other traditional table top items on an unoccupied table
 - Provide condiments only upon request, and in single use (non-reusable) portions.
 - Use disposable menus (new for each patron)
 - If a buffet is offered, restaurant employees serve the food to customers.
- Contactless payment is encouraged. Where not available, contact should be minimized. Both parties should wash or sanitize hands after the payment process.

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Health protocols for your employees and contractors:

- Train all employees and contractors on appropriate cleaning and disinfection, hand hygiene, and respiratory etiquette.
- Screen employees and contractors before coming into the restaurant:
 - Send home any employee or contractor who has any of the following new or worsening signs or symptoms of possible COVID-19:
 - Cough
 - Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
 - Chills
 - Repeated shaking with chills
 - Muscle pain
 - Headache
 - Sore throat
 - Loss of taste or smell
 - Diarrhea
 - Feeling feverish or a measured temperature greater than or equal to 100.0 degrees Fahrenheit
 - Known close contact with a person who is lab confirmed to have COVID-19
- Do not allow employees or contractors with new or worsening signs or symptoms listed above to return to work until:
 - In the case of an employee or contractor who was diagnosed with COVID-19, the individual may return to work when all three of the following criteria are met: at least 3 days (72 hours) have passed *since recovery* (resolution of fever without the use of fever-reducing medications); and the individual has *improvement* in symptoms (e.g., cough, shortness of breath); and at least 10 days have passed *since symptoms first appeared*; or
 - In the case of an employee or contractor who has symptoms that could be COVID-19 and does not get evaluated by a medical professional or tested for COVID-19, the individual is assumed to have COVID-19, and the individual may not return to work until the individual has completed the same three-step criteria listed above; or
 - If the employee or contractor has symptoms that could be COVID-19 and wants to return to work before completing the above self-isolation period, the individual must obtain a medical professional's note clearing the individual for return based on an alternative diagnosis.
- Do not allow an employee or contractor with known close contact to a person who is lab-confirmed to have COVID-19 to return to work until the end of the 14 day self-quarantine period from the last date of exposure (with an exception granted for healthcare workers and critical infrastructure workers).
- Have employees and contractors wash or sanitize their hands upon entering the restaurant, and between interactions with customers.
- Have employees and contractors maintain at least 6 feet of separation from other individuals. If such distancing is not feasible, measures such as face covering, hand hygiene, cough etiquette, cleanliness, and sanitation should be rigorously practiced.

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- Consistent with the actions taken by many restaurants across the state, consider having all employees and contractors wear cloth face coverings (over the nose and mouth). If available, employees and contractors should consider wearing non-medical grade face masks.

Health protocols for your facilities:

- Take steps to ensure 6 feet social distancing is maintained at the bar between individual patrons, between patrons and wait staff, and between patrons and bar items such as clean glassware and ice. Such separation may be obtained by ensuring bartenders remain at least 6 feet from customers at the bar, such as by taping off or otherwise blocking bartenders from being within 6 feet of a seated customer, or the use of engineering controls, such as dividers, to keep individuals and/or the bar separate from other individuals.
- Consider having an employee or contractor manage and control access to the restaurant, including opening doors to prevent patrons from touching door handles.
- Regularly and frequently clean and disinfect any regularly touched surfaces, such as doorknobs, tables, and chairs.
- Regularly and frequently clean restrooms, and document the cleanings.
- Disinfect any items that come into contact with customers.
- Make hand sanitizer, disinfecting wipes, soap and water, or similar disinfectant readily available to employees, contractors, and customers.
- Consider placing [readily visible signage](#) at the restaurant to remind everyone of best hygiene practices.
- Clean and disinfect the area used for dining (table, etc.) after each group of customers depart, including the disinfecting of tables, chairs, stalls, and countertops.
- Clean and sanitize restaurants daily.
- For restaurants with more than 10 employees and/or contractors present at one time, consider having an individual wholly or partially dedicated to ensuring the health protocols adopted by the restaurant are being successfully implemented and followed.
- TABC staff should monitor restaurants throughout the state of Texas to ensure compliance with these protocols. TABC has the authority to suspend any license that poses an immediate threat or danger to public safety. Failure to follow these protocols may result in a 30-day license suspension for the first infraction, and a 60-day suspension for a second infraction.

If you have video game equipment or other interactive amusements:

- Assign at least one employee or contractor full time to disinfect the video games and other interactive amusements. **Continuous disinfecting is needed to protect customers.**
- Disinfect all gaming equipment before and after customer use.
- Provide equipment disinfecting products throughout facility for use on equipment.

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- Ensure only one player can play a game at a time.
- Provide for at least 6 feet of separation between games.

Health protocols for valet parking services:

- Take the temperature of each employee or contractor at the beginning of each shift.
- Utilize the following personal protective equipment for employees and contractors:
 - Cloth face coverings over the nose and mouth, or, if available, non-medical grade face masks over the nose and mouth
 - Single-use disposable gloves that are changed between every interaction with customers and/or vehicles
- Vehicle door handles, ignition switch, steering wheel, and shift knob should be wiped with disinfectant as the valet employee enters and exits the vehicle.
- All workstations and work equipment should be cleaned at the start and the end of each shift, as well as every hour during the shift. These workstations should include the valet podium, key storage locker, tablets, fee computers, receipt printers, etc.
- Valet parking operators should employ contactless payment whenever possible.
- For high volume operations, appropriate physical distancing indicators should be established to ensure customers maintain at least six feet of distance as they wait for their vehicle.
- Where possible, alternative parking options should be provided for customers who are uncomfortable with valet parking.
- Wash or disinfect hands upon entering a business and after any interaction with employees, other customers, or items in the business.
- Make hand sanitizer, disinfecting wipes, soap and water, or similar disinfectant readily available to employees, contractors, and customers.
- Have employees and contractors maintain at least 6 feet of separation from other individuals.

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Non-CISA retailers may operate up to 50% of the total listed occupancy. In addition, non-CISA retailers may operate through pickup, delivery by mail, or delivery to the customer's doorstep. Shopping malls may operate at up to 50% of the total listed occupancy of the shopping mall. Employees and contractors of the retailer or shopping mall are not counted towards the 50% occupancy limitation.

The following are the minimum recommended health protocols for all retailers choosing to operate in Texas. Retailers may adopt additional protocols consistent with their specific needs and circumstances to help protect the health and safety of all employees, contractors, and customers.

The virus that causes COVID-19 can be spread to others by infected persons who have few or no symptoms. Even if an infected person is only mildly ill, the people they spread it to may become seriously ill or even die, especially if that person is 65 or older with pre-existing health conditions that place them at higher risk. Because of the hidden nature of this threat, everyone should rigorously follow the practices specified in these protocols, all of which facilitate a safe and measured reopening of Texas. The virus that causes COVID-19 is still circulating in our communities. We should continue to observe practices that protect everyone, including those who are most vulnerable.

Please note, public health guidance cannot anticipate every unique situation. Retailers should stay informed and take actions based on common sense and wise judgment that will protect health and support economic revitalization. Retailers should also be mindful of federal and state employment and disability laws, workplace safety standards, and accessibility standards to address the needs of both workers and customers.

Health protocols for serving your customers:

- Retailers are encouraged to consider dedicating a certain period of time each day for only at-risk customers¹ or deliver purchased goods to vehicles to reduce the need for at-risk customers to enter the store.
- If practical, monitor what items customers touch to clean or disinfect when the customer leaves the retail establishment.
- Contactless payment is encouraged. Where not available, contact should be minimized.
- Train all employees and contractors on appropriate cleaning and disinfection, hand hygiene, and respiratory etiquette.

Health protocols for your retail employees and contractors:

- Screen employees and contractors before coming into the retailer:
 - Send home any employee or contractor who has any of the following new or worsening signs or symptoms of possible COVID-19:

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Cough - Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing - Chills - Repeated shaking with chills - Muscle pain - Headache 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Sore throat - Loss of taste or smell - Diarrhea - Feeling feverish or a measured temperature greater than or equal to 100.0 degrees Fahrenheit - Known close contact with a person who is lab confirmed to have COVID-19
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¹ At-risk customers are those who are 65 or older, especially those with chronic lung disease; moderate to severe asthma; chronic heart disease; severe obesity; diabetes; chronic kidney disease undergoing dialysis; liver disease; or weakened immune system

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- Do not allow employees or contractors with new or worsening signs or symptoms listed above to return to work until:
 - In the case of an employee or contractor who was diagnosed with COVID-19, the individual may return to work when all three of the following criteria are met: at least 3 days (72 hours) have passed *since recovery* (resolution of fever without the use of fever-reducing medications); and the individual has *improvement* in symptoms (e.g., cough, shortness of breath); and at least 10 days have passed *since symptoms first appeared*; or
 - In the case of an employee or contractor who has symptoms that could be COVID-19 and does not get evaluated by a medical professional or tested for COVID-19, the individual is assumed to have COVID-19, and the individual may not return to work until the individual has completed the same three-step criteria listed above; or
 - If the employee or contractor has symptoms that could be COVID-19 and wants to return to work before completing the above self-isolation period, the individual must obtain a medical professional's note clearing the individual for return based on an alternative diagnosis.
- Do not allow an employee or contractor with known close contact to a person who is lab-confirmed to have COVID-19 to return to work until the end of the 14 day self-quarantine period from the last date of exposure (with an exception granted for healthcare workers and critical infrastructure workers).
- Have employees and contractors wash or sanitize their hands upon entering the retailer.
- Have employees and contractors maintain at least 6 feet separation from other individuals. If such distancing is not feasible, other measures such as face covering, hand hygiene, cough etiquette, cleanliness, and sanitation should be rigorously practiced.
- If a retailer provides a meal for employees and/or contractors, the retailer is recommended to have the meal individually packed for each individual.
- Consistent with the actions taken by many retailers across the state, consider having all employees and contractors wear cloth face coverings (over the nose and mouth). If available, employees and contractors should consider wearing non-medical grade face masks.
- Employees should be instructed to understand that young children and persons who are unable to adjust or remove face coverings should not be regarded as suitable candidates for wearing face coverings. The decision is up to the individual or their parent, guardian or attendant.

Health protocols for your retail facilities:

- If 6 feet of separation is not available between employees, contractors, and/or customers inside the facility, consider the use of engineering controls, such as dividers between individuals, to minimize the chances of transmission of COVID-19.
- Regularly and frequently clean and disinfect any regularly touched surfaces, such as doorknobs, tables, chairs, and restrooms.
- Disinfect any items that come into contact with customers.
- Make hand sanitizer, disinfecting wipes, soap and water, or similar disinfectant readily available to employees, contractors, and customers.
- Place readily visible signage at the retailer to remind everyone of best hygiene practices.

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- For retailers with more than 10 employees and/or contractors present at one time, consider having an individual wholly or partially dedicated to ensuring the health protocols adopted by the retailer are being successfully implemented and followed.
- For malls with food court dining operations open, the mall should designate one or more individuals who are responsible for ensuring, on a continuous basis, the following guidelines are followed. The mall should have the name of that individual available upon request.
 - No tables with more than 6 individuals
 - At least 6 feet distancing remains between individuals sitting at different tables
 - Tables are cleaned and disinfected between uses
 - No condiments or other items are left on the table between customer use

If you have video game equipment or other interactive amusements:

- Assign at least one employee or contractor full time to disinfect the video games and other interactive amusements. **Continuous disinfecting is needed to protect customers.**
- Disinfect all gaming equipment before and after customer use.
- Provide equipment disinfecting products throughout facility for use on equipment.
- Ensure only one player can play a game at a time.
- Provide for at least 6 feet of separation between games.

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Individuals may engage in, and sponsors may put on, rodeos and equestrian events. Spectators are allowed, provided that indoor venues limit the number of spectators to no more than 50% of the total listed occupancy of the venue, and outdoor venues may operate at up to 50% of the normal operating limits as determined by the facility owner. Six feet of separation between individuals not within the same household should be maintained to the extent feasible. To the extent the rodeo or equestrian event has spectators, the person sponsoring the event must ensure that ingress and egress from the venue allows for 6 feet of social distancing between individuals on entering and exiting the venue.

The following are the minimum recommended health protocols for all individuals engaging in, and sponsors putting on, rodeo and equestrian events in Texas. Individuals and sponsors may adopt additional protocols consistent with their specific needs and circumstances to help protect the health and safety of all employees, contractors, volunteers, and participants.

The virus that causes COVID-19 can be spread to others by infected persons who have few or no symptoms. Even if an infected person is only mildly ill, the people they spread it to may become seriously ill or even die, especially if that person is 65 or older with pre-existing health conditions that place them at higher risk. Because of the hidden nature of this threat, everyone should rigorously follow the practices specified in these protocols, all of which facilitate a safe and measured reopening of Texas. The virus that causes COVID-19 is still circulating in our communities. We should continue to observe practices that protect everyone, including those who are most vulnerable.

Please note, public health guidance cannot anticipate every unique situation. Participants and sponsors should stay informed and take actions based on common sense and wise judgment that will protect health and support economic revitalization. Participants and sponsors should also be mindful of federal and state employment and disability laws, workplace safety standards, and accessibility standards to address the needs of both workers and customers.

Health protocols for your spectators:

- Remote ticketing options are encouraged to help manage capacity limitations.
- Ensure proper spacing between patrons in the venue:
 - For venues that configure seating arrangements which are not in rows, ensure at least 6 feet of separation between other groups. No tables of more than 10 people.
 - For venues that configure seating arrangements in rows, maintain at least two empty seats (or six feet separation) between groups in any row, except as follows:
 - Two or more members of the same household can sit adjacent to one another, with two seats (or six feet separation) empty on either side.
 - Two individuals who are not members of the same household but who are attending together can sit adjacent to one another, with two seats (or six feet separation) empty on either side.
 - Alternate rows between patrons (every other row left empty), as appropriate.
 - Any other method to provide at least six feet of separation between groups of up to 10 individuals who attend the venue together. Disinfect seats and frequently touched areas before and after use.
- For venues providing food service to patrons:
 - Do not leave condiments, silverware, flatware, glassware, or other traditional table top items on an unoccupied table.

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- Provide condiments only upon request, and in single use (non-reusable) portions.
- Clean and disinfect the area used for dining (table, etc.) after each group of customers depart the area.
- Use disposable menus (new for each patron).
- If the venue allows customers to write down their food orders inside the venue, provide take-home pencils and notepads that cannot be used by other customers.
- Have wait staff sanitize or wash hands between interactions with customers.
- For venues with counter food service for patrons:
 - Provide condiments or flatware only in single use, individually-wrapped items, and provide condiments only upon request.
 - Have employees and contractors follow proper food-handling protocols.
 - Disinfect any items that come into contact with customers.
- Contactless payment is encouraged. Where not available, contact should be minimized. Employees, contractors, and customers should sanitize their hands after the payment process.

Health protocols for your employees, contractors, volunteers, and participants:

- Individuals not currently competing should remain at least 6 feet away from other individuals. Remaining in vehicles before and after a race, or in separate areas during other events, is strongly recommended.
- Train all employees, contractors, volunteers, and participants on appropriate cleaning and disinfection, hand hygiene, and respiratory etiquette.
- Screen employees, contractors, volunteers, and participants before the sporting event:
 - Send home any employee, contractor, volunteer, or participant who has any of the following new or worsening signs or symptoms of possible COVID-19:

<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Cough- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing- Chills- Repeated shaking with chills- Muscle pain- Headache	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Sore throat- Loss of taste or smell- Diarrhea- Feeling feverish or a measured temperature greater than or equal to 100.0 degrees Fahrenheit- Known close contact with a person who is lab confirmed to have COVID-19
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 - Do not allow employees, contractors, volunteers, or participants with new or worsening signs or symptoms listed above to return to work until:
 - In the case of an individual who was diagnosed with COVID-19, the individual may return to work when all three of the following criteria are met: at least 3 days (72 hours) have passed

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since recovery (resolution of fever without the use of fever-reducing medications); and the individual has *improvement* in symptoms (e.g., cough, shortness of breath); and at least 10 days have passed *since symptoms first appeared*; or

- In the case of an individual who has symptoms that could be COVID-19 and does not get evaluated by a medical professional or tested for COVID-19, the individual is assumed to have COVID-19, and the individual may not return to work until the individual has completed the same three-step criteria listed above; or
- If the individual has symptoms that could be COVID-19 and wants to return to work before completing the above self-isolation period, the individual must obtain a medical professional's note clearing the individual for return based on an alternative diagnosis.

- Do not allow an individual with known close contact to a person who is lab-confirmed to have COVID-19 to return to the event until the end of the 14-day self-quarantine period from the last date of exposure (with an exception granted for healthcare workers and critical infrastructure workers).
- Have employees, contractors, volunteers, and participants wash or sanitize their hands upon entering the event venue.
- Have employees, contractors, volunteers, and participants maintain at least 6 feet of separation from other individuals. If such distancing is not feasible, other measures such as face covering, hand hygiene, cough etiquette, cleanliness, and sanitation should be rigorously practiced.
- If the event sponsor provides a meal for employees, contractors, volunteers, and/or participants, the sponsor is recommended to have the meal individually packed for each individual.
- Consistent with the actions taken by many employers across the state, consider having all employees, contractors, volunteers, and/or participants, wear cloth face coverings (over the nose and mouth). If available, individuals should consider wearing non-medical grade face masks.

Health protocols for your facilities:

- If 6 feet of separation is not available between individuals at the event, consider the use of engineering controls, such as dividers between individuals, to minimize the chances of transmission of COVID-19.
- Regularly and frequently clean and disinfect any regularly touched surfaces, such as doorknobs, tables, chairs, and restrooms.
- Disinfect any items that come into contact with individuals, including sporting event equipment.
- Make hand sanitizer, disinfecting wipes, soap and water, or similar disinfectant readily available to employees, contractors, and customers.
- Consider placing [readily visible signage](#) at the venue to remind everyone of best hygiene practices.
- Consider having an individual wholly or partially dedicated to ensuring the health protocols adopted by the employer are being successfully implemented and followed.

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Tanning salons may operate provided they can ensure at least 6 feet social distancing between operating work stations. Because of the proximity between individuals in these facilities, stringent compliance with these protocols is strongly recommended.

The following are the minimum recommended health protocols for tanning salons choosing to operate in Texas. Tanning salons may adopt additional protocols consistent with their specific needs and circumstances to help protect the health and safety of all employees, independent contractors, and customers.

The virus that causes COVID-19 can be spread to others by infected persons who have few or no symptoms. Even if an infected person is only mildly ill, the people they spread it to may become seriously ill or even die, especially if that person is 65 or older with pre-existing health conditions that place them at higher risk. Because of the hidden nature of this threat, everyone should rigorously follow the practices specified in these protocols, all of which facilitate a safe and measured reopening of Texas. The virus that causes COVID-19 is still circulating in our communities. We should continue to observe practices that protect everyone, including those who are most vulnerable.

Please note, public health guidance cannot anticipate every unique situation. Tanning salons should stay informed and take actions based on common sense and wise judgment that will protect health and support economic revitalization. Tanning salons should also be mindful of federal and state employment and disability laws, workplace safety standards, and accessibility standards to address the needs of both workers and customers.

Getting tanning salon, employees, and contractors ready to open:

- Notify staff of all COVID-19 processes and procedures and require them to sign a statement acknowledging they understand and will adhere to the guidelines.
- Screen employees and contractors before coming into the nail salon:
 - Send home any employee or contractor who has any of the following new or worsening signs or symptoms of possible COVID-19:

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Cough - Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing - Chills - Repeated shaking with chills - Muscle pain - Headache 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Sore throat - Loss of taste or smell - Diarrhea - Feeling feverish or a measured temperature greater than or equal to 100.0 degrees Fahrenheit - Known close contact with a person who is lab confirmed to have COVID-19
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 - Do not allow employees or contractors with new or worsening signs or symptoms listed above to return to work until:
 - In the case of an employee or contractor who was diagnosed with COVID-19, the individual may return to work when all three of the following criteria are met: at least 3 days (72 hours) have passed *since recovery* (resolution of fever without the use of fever-reducing

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medications); and the individual has *improvement* in symptoms (e.g., cough, shortness of breath); and at least 10 days have passed *since symptoms first appeared*; or

- In the case of an employee or contractor who has symptoms that could be COVID-19 and does not get evaluated by a medical professional or tested for COVID-19, the individual is assumed to have COVID-19, and the individual may not return to work until the individual has completed the same three-step criteria listed above; or
- If the employee or contractor has symptoms that could be COVID-19 and wants to return to work before completing the above self-isolation period, the individual must obtain a medical professional's note clearing the individual for return based on an alternative diagnosis.

- Do not allow an employee or contractor with known close contact to a person who is lab-confirmed to have COVID-19 to return to work until the end of the 14 day self-quarantine period from the last date of exposure (with an exception granted for health care workers and critical infrastructure workers).
- Consider implementing a similar policy for clients.
 - For temperature checks, the preferred method is a no-contact thermometer, such as a forehead thermometer, if possible.
 - Do not use a contact thermometer on multiple persons without disposable guards or disinfection between persons.
- Provide resources and a work environment that promote personal hygiene. For example, provide tissues, hand soap, alcohol-based hand sanitizers containing at least 60 percent alcohol, disinfectants, and disposable towels for licensees to clean their work surfaces.
- Disinfectants must come from this list: <https://www.epa.gov/pesticide-registration/list-n-disinfectants-use-against-sars-cov-2>
- Provide a place to wash hands with both hot and cold water with hand soap, disposable towels, and a no-touch trash can.

Before an appointment:

- Appointments should be scheduled to limit the amount of people in the salon.
- Walk-in clients should wait either in their own cars or outside with at least six feet separation between individuals.
- Do not allow clients to bring extra people to the appointment, such as children.
- Only schedule the number of clients that will allow for social distancing of at least six feet from others.

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- A sign should be posted at the entrance to the salon with a phone number that clients should call to schedule an appointment when they arrive outside the salon.
- Only bring clients into the building when the licensee is ready for them, to eliminate anyone needing to spend any time in the lobby or waiting area.
- Remove all unnecessary items such as magazines from the lobby or waiting area.
- Contactless payment is encouraged. Where not available, contact should be minimized.
- Signs should be posted at each entrance and eye-level at stations notifying clients that people with symptoms of COVID-19 or who have recently been exposed to someone with symptoms must reschedule their appointment.
- Do not provide services to a client if you have reason to believe that they are sick or have a contagious condition.
- If possible, provide face coverings for clients or ask them to wear one if services can be provided with it on.

Once inside the tanning salon:

- Do not let clients touch/handle retail supplies.
- Require all clients to wash their hands upon entering the salon and before each treatment.
- Take measures to ensure that clients do not interact with each other in the salon.
- Face masks or fabric face coverings should always be worn by employers, employees, contractors, and clients while inside the salon/shop, even if individuals are practicing social distancing.
 - Employees should be instructed to understand that young children and persons who are unable to adjust or remove face coverings should not be regarded as suitable candidates for wearing face coverings. The decision is up to the individual or their parent, guardian or attendant.
- Clients receiving services for which a mask may not be worn should wear a mask or face covering before and after they receive the service.

Providing services:

- If gloves cannot be worn for a service, then hands must be washed with soap and water prior to providing services. Hands must be washed for a minimum of 20 seconds.
- If at any time an employee or contractor touches their face, nose, eyes, cell phone, door, credit card machine or any surface they have not sanitized, they must immediately change their gloves or rewash hands with soap and water.
- Use disposable supplies to keep from having to handle and disinfect multi-use supplies.
- Use disposable towels when possible and dispose of them after use.

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Continue to service clients with the cleaning and sanitation you already practice:

- If gloves are worn, they must be removed and properly disposed of immediately upon completion of the service.
- All surfaces must be wiped down and sanitized between use including computers, landline phones, etc.
- Full sanitization of workstations, chairs, etc., must occur after each client. This includes a complete wipe down with disinfectant cleaners or wipes of all surfaces touched and products used.
- Multi-use equipment and tools must be cleaned and disinfected before use on each client.
- Single-use equipment and tools must be discarded after use on a single client.
- Electrical equipment that cannot be immersed in liquid shall be wiped clean and disinfected before use on each client.
- All clean and disinfected tools and materials shall be stored in a clean, dry, debris free environment when not in use.
- Clean and disinfected tools and materials must be stored separate from soiled tools and materials. Ultraviolet electrical sanitizers are acceptable for use as a dry storage container. Non-tanning related supplies must be stored in separate drawers or locations.
- Floors shall be thoroughly cleaned each day.
- All trash containers must be emptied daily and kept clean by washing or using plastic liners.
- Non-disposable towels used during services must be immediately removed and placed in a disposable laundry receptacle (such as a bag that is discarded after use) at the conclusion of the service.
- If the salon uses a laundry basket or reusable bag, it must be sanitized between uses and should never be used for clean towels.
- Towels must be washed in hot water and chlorine bleach and only clean towels shall be used on clients.
- Clean towels should only be handled by someone who has cleaned their hands immediately before touching the towels or someone who has a fresh pair of gloves.
- All on-site laundry rooms or laundry storage rooms must be fully sanitized daily.

Additional items:

- If an employee or contractor tests positive for COVID-19, immediately report that to the local health authority and provide notification to employees, contractors, and clients. The notification may be made via phone call, e-mail, or text. The notification to the local health authority and to employees, contractors, and clients must occur no later than 24 hours of receiving information of a positive test result.

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CHECKLIST FOR VALET PARKING SERVICES

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The following are the minimum recommended health protocols for all valet parking services in Texas. These minimum health protocols are not a limit on the health protocols that valet parking services may adopt. Valet parking services are encouraged to adopt additional protocols consistent with their specific needs and circumstances to help protect the health and safety of all Texans.

The virus that causes COVID-19 can be spread to others by infected persons who have few or no symptoms. Even if an infected person is only mildly ill, the people they spread it to may become seriously ill or even die, especially if that person is 65 or older with pre-existing health conditions that place them at higher risk. Because of the hidden nature of this threat, everyone should rigorously follow the practices specified in these protocols, all of which facilitate a safe and measured reopening of Texas. The virus that causes COVID-19 is still circulating in our communities. We should continue to observe practices that protect everyone, including those who are most vulnerable.

Please note, public health guidance cannot anticipate every unique situation. Valet parking services should stay informed and take actions based on common sense and wise judgment that will protect health and support economic revitalization.

Health protocols for valet parking services:

- Train all employees on appropriate cleaning and disinfection, hand hygiene, and respiratory etiquette.
- Screen employees and contractors before beginning work:
 - Send home any employee or contractor who has any of the following new or worsening signs or symptoms of possible COVID-19:

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Cough - Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing - Chills - Repeated shaking with chills - Muscle pain - Headache 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Sore throat - Loss of taste or smell - Diarrhea - Feeling feverish or a measured temperature greater than or equal to 100.0 degrees Fahrenheit - Known close contact with a person who is lab confirmed to have COVID-19
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 - Do not allow employees or contractors with new or worsening signs or symptoms listed above to return to work until:
 - In the case of an employee or contractor who was diagnosed with COVID-19, the individual may return to work when all three of the following criteria are met: at least 3 days (72 hours) have passed *since recovery* (resolution of fever without the use of fever-reducing medications); and the individual has *improvement* in symptoms (e.g., cough, shortness of breath); and at least 10 days have passed *since symptoms first appeared*; or
 - In the case of an employee or contractor who has symptoms that could be COVID-19 and does not get evaluated by a medical professional or tested for COVID-19, the individual is assumed to have COVID-19, and the individual may not return to work until the individual has completed the same three-step criteria listed above; or

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- If the employee or contractor has symptoms that could be COVID-19 and wants to return to work before completing the above self-isolation period, the individual must obtain a medical professional's note clearing the individual for return based on an alternative diagnosis.
- Take the temperature of each employee or contractor at the beginning of each shift.
- Utilize the following personal protective equipment for employees and contractors:
 - Cloth face coverings over the nose and mouth, or, if available, non-medical grade face masks over the nose and mouth
 - Single-use disposable gloves that are changed between every interaction with customers and/or vehicles
- Vehicle door handles, ignition switch, steering wheel, and shift knob should be wiped with disinfectant as the valet employee enters and exits the vehicle.
- All workstations and work equipment should be cleaned at the start and the end of each shift, as well as every hour during the shift. These workstations should include the valet podium, key storage locker, tablets, fee computers, receipt printers, etc.
- Valet parking operators should employ contactless payment whenever possible.
- For high volume operations, appropriate physical distancing indicators should be established to ensure customers maintain at least six feet of distance as they wait for their vehicle.
- Where possible, alternative parking options should be provided for customers who are uncomfortable with valet parking.
- Wash or disinfect hands upon entering a business and after any interaction with employees, other customers, or items in the business.
- Make hand sanitizer, disinfecting wipes, soap and water, or similar disinfectant readily available to employees, contractors, and customers.
- Have employees and contractors maintain at least 6 feet of separation from other individuals.
- Individuals aged 65 or older are at a higher risk of COVID-19. To the extent possible, avoid being within 6 feet with individuals aged 65 and older. Individuals aged 65 and older should stay at home as much as possible.**

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CHECKLIST FOR VIDEO GAME FACILITIES

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Video game facilities may operate up to 50% of their total listed occupancy. Video game facilities must ensure at least 6 feet social distancing between operating machines.

The following are the minimum recommended health protocols for all video game facilities choosing to operate in Texas. Video game facilities may adopt additional protocols consistent with their specific needs and circumstances to help protect the health and safety of all employees, contractors, and customers.

The virus that causes COVID-19 can be spread to others by infected persons who have few or no symptoms. Even if an infected person is only mildly ill, the people they spread it to may become seriously ill or even die, especially if that person is 65 or older with pre-existing health conditions that place them at higher risk. Because of the hidden nature of this threat, everyone should rigorously follow the practices specified in these protocols, all of which facilitate a safe and measured reopening of Texas. The virus that causes COVID-19 is still circulating in our communities. We should continue to observe practices that protect everyone, including those who are most vulnerable.

Please note, public health guidance cannot anticipate every unique situation. Video game facilities should stay informed and take actions based on common sense and wise judgment that will protect health and support economic revitalization. Video game facilities should also be mindful of federal and state employment and disability laws, workplace safety standards, and accessibility standards to address the needs of both workers and customers.

Health protocols for your employees and contractors:

- Train all employees and contractors on appropriate cleaning and disinfection, hand hygiene, and respiratory etiquette.
- Screen employees and contractors before coming into the facility:
 - Send home any employee or contractor who has any of the following new or worsening signs or symptoms of possible COVID-19:

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Cough - Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing - Chills - Repeated shaking with chills - Muscle pain - Headache 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Sore throat - Loss of taste or smell - Diarrhea - Feeling feverish or a measured temperature greater than or equal to 100.0 degrees Fahrenheit - Known close contact with a person who is lab confirmed to have COVID-19
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 - Do not allow employees or contractors with new or worsening signs or symptoms listed above to return to work until:
 - In the case of an employee or contractor who was diagnosed with COVID-19, the individual may return to work when all three of the following criteria are met: at least 3 days (72 hours) have passed *since recovery* (resolution of fever without the use of fever-reducing medications); and the individual has *improvement* in symptoms (e.g., cough, shortness of breath); and at least 10 days have passed *since symptoms first appeared*; or
 - In the case of an employee or contractor who has symptoms that could be COVID-19 and does not get evaluated by a medical professional or tested for COVID-19, the individual is

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assumed to have COVID-19, and the individual may not return to work until the individual has completed the same three-step criteria listed above; or

- If the employee or contractor has symptoms that could be COVID-19 and wants to return to work before completing the above self-isolation period, the individual must obtain a medical professional's note clearing the individual for return based on an alternative diagnosis.

- Do not allow an employee or contractor with known close contact to a person who is lab-confirmed to have COVID-19 to return to work until the end of the 14 day self-quarantine period from the last date of exposure (with an exception granted for healthcare workers and critical infrastructure workers).
- Have employees and contractors wash or sanitize their hands upon entering the facility.
- Have employees and contractors maintain at least 6 feet of separation from other individuals. If such distancing is not feasible, other measures such as face covering, hand hygiene, cough etiquette, cleanliness, and sanitation should be rigorously practiced.
- If the video game facility provides a meal for employees and/or contractors, the video game facility is recommended to have the meal individually packed for each individual.
- It is strongly recommended that all employees and contractors wear cloth face coverings (over the nose and mouth). If available, employees and contractors should consider wearing non-medical grade face masks.

Health protocols for your facilities:

- If 6 feet of separation is not available between employees, contractors, and/or customers inside the facility, consider the use of engineering controls, such as dividers between individuals, to minimize the chances of transmission of COVID-19.
 - Configure your facility such that customers are separated by at least 6 feet from others not within the individual's group while at the facility, to the extent feasible.
- Regularly and frequently clean and disinfect any regularly touched surfaces, such as doorknobs, tables, chairs, and restrooms.
- Disinfect any items that come into contact with customers after each use.
- Make hand sanitizer, disinfecting wipes, soap and water, or similar disinfectant readily available to employees, contractors, and customers.
- Place readily visible signage at the business to remind everyone of best hygiene practices.
- Contactless payment is encouraged. Where not available, contact should be minimized. Employees, contractors, and customers should sanitize their hands after the payment process.
- Consider having an employee or contractor manage and control access to the facility, including opening doors to prevent patrons from touching door handles.

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- Clean and sanitize the facility regularly.
- Consider having an individual wholly or partially dedicated to ensuring the health protocols adopted by the employer are being successfully implemented and followed.
- Strongly recommend asking all guests to wear cloth face coverings (over the nose and mouth), and consider providing those face coverings to the guests.**

Health protocols for your video game equipment:

- Assign at least one employee or contractor full time to disinfect the video games and other interactive amusements. **Continuous disinfecting is needed to protect customers.**
- Disinfect all gaming equipment before and after customer use.
- Provide equipment disinfecting products throughout facility for use on equipment and for customer use before they play.
- Ensure only one player can play a game at a time.
- Provide for at least 6 feet of separation between games.

If you serve food and/or beverages:

- For waiter-provided food service:
 - Do not leave condiments, silverware, flatware, glassware, or other traditional table top items on an unoccupied table.
 - Provide condiments only upon request, and in single use (non-reusable) portions.
 - Clean and disinfect the area used for dining (table, etc.) after each group of customers depart the area.
 - Use disposable menus (new for each patron).
 - If you allow customers to write down their food orders, provide take-home pencils and notepads that cannot be used by other customers.
 - Have wait staff sanitize or wash hands between interactions with customers.
- For counter food service:
 - Provide condiments or flatware only in single use, individually-wrapped items, and provide condiments only upon request.
 - Have employees and contractors follow proper food-handling protocols.
 - Disinfect any items that come into contact with customers.
- Clean and disinfect the area used for dining (table, etc.) after each group of customers depart, including the disinfecting of tables, chairs, stalls, and countertops.
- Block off or remove self-service drink fountains.

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CHECKLIST FOR WEDDING RECEPTION VENUES

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A wedding reception held in a restaurant should follow the restaurant protocols. Wedding reception services held at other indoor locations are limited to 50% of the facility's total listed occupancy. Wedding receptions held outside are strongly recommended and are not subject to an occupancy limit. Employees and contractors of the wedding reception venue are not counted towards the 50% occupancy limitation

The following are the minimum recommended health protocols for all wedding reception venues choosing to operate in Texas. Those venues may adopt additional protocols consistent with their specific needs and circumstances to help protect the health and safety of all employees, contractors, and attendees.

The virus that causes COVID-19 can be spread to others by infected persons who have few or no symptoms. Even if an infected person is only mildly ill, the people they spread it to may become seriously ill or even die, especially if that person is 65 or older with pre-existing health conditions that place them at higher risk. Because of the hidden nature of this threat, everyone should rigorously follow the practices specified in these protocols, all of which facilitate a safe and measured reopening of Texas. The virus that causes COVID-19 is still circulating in our communities. We should continue to observe practices that protect everyone, including those who are most vulnerable.

Please note, public health guidance cannot anticipate every unique situation. Wedding reception venues should stay informed and take actions based on common sense and wise judgment that will protect health and support economic revitalization. Those venues should also be mindful of federal and state employment and disability laws, workplace safety standards, and accessibility standards to address the needs of both workers and customers.

Health protocols for serving your attendees:

- Groups maintain at least 6 feet of distance from other groups at all times, including while waiting to be seated at the reception.
- Make a hand sanitizing station available upon entry to the reception.
- No tables of more than 10 people.
- Dining:
 - Do not leave condiments, silverware, flatware, glassware, or other traditional table top items on an unoccupied table
 - Provide condiments only upon request, and in single use (non-reusable) portions.
 - Use disposable menus (new for each patron)
 - If a buffet is offered, venue employees and/or contractors serve the food to attendees.

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Health protocols for your employees and contractors:

- Train all employees and contractors on appropriate cleaning and disinfection, hand hygiene, and respiratory etiquette.
- Screen employees and contractors before coming into the venue:
 - Send home any employee or contractor who has any of the following new or worsening signs or symptoms of possible COVID-19:

<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Cough- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing- Chills- Repeated shaking with chills- Muscle pain- Headache	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Sore throat- Loss of taste or smell- Diarrhea- Feeling feverish or a measured temperature greater than or equal to 100.0 degrees Fahrenheit- Known close contact with a person who is lab confirmed to have COVID-19
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 - Do not allow employees or contractors with new or worsening signs or symptoms listed above to return to work until:
 - In the case of an employee or contractor who was diagnosed with COVID-19, the individual may return to work when all three of the following criteria are met: at least 3 days (72 hours) have passed *since recovery* (resolution of fever without the use of fever-reducing medications); and the individual has *improvement* in symptoms (e.g., cough, shortness of breath); and at least 10 days have passed *since symptoms first appeared*; or
 - In the case of an employee or contractor who has symptoms that could be COVID-19 and does not get evaluated by a medical professional or tested for COVID-19, the individual is assumed to have COVID-19, and the individual may not return to work until the individual has completed the same three-step criteria listed above; or
 - If the employee or contractor has symptoms that could be COVID-19 and wants to return to work before completing the above self-isolation period, the individual must obtain a medical professional's note clearing the individual for return based on an alternative diagnosis.
 - Do not allow an employee or contractor with known close contact to a person who is lab-confirmed to have COVID-19 to return to work until the end of the 14 day self-quarantine period from the last date of exposure (with an exception granted for healthcare workers and critical infrastructure workers).
 - Have employees and contractors wash or sanitize their hands upon entering the venue, and between interactions with attendees.

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- Have employees and contractors maintain at least 6 feet of separation from other individuals. If such distancing is not feasible, measures such as face covering, hand hygiene, cough etiquette, cleanliness, and sanitation should be rigorously practiced
- Consistent with the actions taken by many businesses across the state, consider having all employees and contractors wear cloth face coverings (over the nose and mouth). If available, employees should consider wearing non-medical grade face masks.

Health protocols for your facilities:

- Consider having an employee or contractor manage and control access to the venue, including opening doors to prevent attendees from touching door handles.
- Regularly and frequently clean and disinfect any regularly touched surfaces, such as doorknobs, tables, and chairs.
- Regularly and frequently clean restrooms, and document the cleanings.
- Disinfect any items that come into contact with attendees.
- Make hand sanitizer, disinfecting wipes, soap and water, or similar disinfectant readily available to employees, contractors, and attendees.
- Consider placing [readily visible signage](#) at the venue to remind everyone of best hygiene practices.
- Clean and disinfect the area used for dining (table, etc.) after each group of attendees depart, including the disinfecting of tables, chairs, stalls, and countertops.
- Clean and sanitize the venue daily.
- For venues with more than 10 employees or contractors present at one time, consider having an individual wholly or partially dedicated to ensuring the health protocols adopted by the venue are being successfully implemented and followed.

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Wedding venues and the services required to conduct weddings may operate. Outdoor venues should be used when possible. Weddings held inside a facility other than a church are limited to 50% of the total listed occupancy of the facility. Employees and contractors of the wedding venue are not counted towards the 50% occupancy limitation

The following are the minimum recommended health protocols for weddings in Texas. Wedding venues may adopt additional protocols consistent with their specific needs and circumstances to help protect the health and safety of all Texans.

We know now that the virus that causes COVID-19 can be spread to others by infected persons who have few or no symptoms. Even if an infected person is only mildly ill, the people they spread it to may become seriously ill or even die, especially if that person is 65 or older with pre-existing health conditions that place them at higher risk.

Because of the hidden nature of this threat, everyone should rigorously follow the practices specified in these protocols, all of which facilitate a safe and measured reopening of Texas. The virus that causes COVID-19 is still circulating in our communities. We should continue to observe practices that protect everyone, including those who are most vulnerable.

Please note, public health guidance cannot anticipate every unique situation. Wedding venues should stay informed and take actions based on common sense and wise judgment that will protect health and support economic revitalization. Wedding venues should also be mindful of federal and state employment and disability laws, workplace safety standards, and accessibility standards to address the needs of both workers and customers.

Health protocols for serving your attendees:

- Strongly encourage the at-risk population¹ to watch or participate in the service remotely.
- Designate an area inside the venue reserved for the at-risk population.
- Ensure proper spacing between attendees:
 - For wedding venues that configure seating arrangements which are not in rows, ensure at least 6 feet of separation between other groups. No tables of more than 10 people.
 - For wedding venues that configure seating arrangements in rows, maintain at least two empty seats (or six feet separation) between groups in any row, except as follows:
 - Two or more members of the same household can sit adjacent to one another, with two seats (or six feet separation) empty on either side.
 - Two individuals who are not members of the same household but who are attending together can sit adjacent to one another, with two seats (or six feet separation) empty on either side.
 - Alternate rows between patrons (every other row left empty), as appropriate.
 - Any other method to provide at least six feet of separation between groups of up to 10 individuals who attend the wedding venue together.

¹ At-risk population are those who are 65 or older, especially those with chronic lung disease; moderate to severe asthma; chronic heart disease; severe obesity; diabetes; chronic kidney disease undergoing dialysis; liver disease; or weakened immune system

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Health protocols for your employees, contractors, and volunteers:

- Train all employees, contractors, and volunteers on appropriate cleaning and disinfection, hand hygiene, and respiratory etiquette.
- Screen employees, contractors, and volunteers before coming into the church, congregation, or place of worship:
 - Send home any employee, contractor, or volunteer who has any of the following new or worsening signs or symptoms of possible COVID-19:

<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Cough- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing- Chills- Repeated shaking with chills- Muscle pain- Headache	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Sore throat- Loss of taste or smell- Diarrhea- Feeling feverish or a measured temperature greater than or equal to 100.0 degrees Fahrenheit- Known close contact with a person who is lab confirmed to have COVID-19
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 - Do not allow employees, contractors, or volunteers with new or worsening signs or symptoms listed above to return to work until:
 - In the case of an employee, contractor, or volunteer who was diagnosed with COVID-19, the individual may return to work when all three of the following criteria are met: at least 3 days (72 hours) have passed *since recovery* (resolution of fever without the use of fever-reducing medications); and the individual has *improvement* in symptoms (e.g., cough, shortness of breath); and at least 10 days have passed *since symptoms first appeared*; or
 - In the case of an employee, contractor, or volunteer who has symptoms that could be COVID-19 and does not get evaluated by a medical professional or tested for COVID-19, the individual is assumed to have COVID-19, and the individual may not return to work until the individual has completed the same three-step criteria listed above; or
 - If the employee, contractor, or volunteer has symptoms that could be COVID-19 and wants to return to work before completing the above self-isolation period, the individual must obtain a medical professional's note clearing the individual for return based on an alternative diagnosis.
 - Do not allow an employee, contractor, or volunteer with known close contact to a person who is lab-confirmed to have COVID-19 to return to work until the end of the 14 day self-quarantine period from the last date of exposure (with an exception granted for healthcare workers and critical infrastructure workers).
 - Have employees, contractors, and volunteers wash or sanitize their hands upon entering.

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- Have employees, contractors, and volunteers maintain at least 6 feet separation from other individuals. If such distancing is not feasible, then other measures including face covering, hand hygiene, cough etiquette, cleanliness, and sanitation should be rigorously practiced.
- Consistent with the actions taken by many businesses across the state, consider having employees, contractors, and attendees wear cloth face coverings (over the nose and mouth). If available, they should consider wearing non-medical grade face masks.

Health protocols for your facilities:

- Regularly and frequently clean and disinfect any regularly touched surfaces, such as doorknobs, tables, chairs, and restrooms.
- Disinfect seats before and after services.
- Disinfect any items that come into contact with attendees.
- Make hand sanitizer, disinfecting wipes, soap and water, or similar disinfectant readily available.
- Consider placing [readily visible signage](#) to remind everyone of best hygiene practices.
- For wedding venues with more than 10 employees and/or contractors present at one time, consider having an individual wholly or partially dedicated to ensuring the health protocols adopted by the venue are being successfully implemented and followed.

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CHECKLIST FOR ALL YOUTH CLUBS

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Youth Clubs, such as Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, TOP Teens (of TOP Ladies of Distinction), FFA, and Girls Inc., may hold meetings. Meetings held indoors should not exceed 50% of the venue's occupancy limit.

The following are the minimum recommended health protocols for all youth clubs choosing to hold meetings in Texas, such as Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, TOP Teens (of TOP Ladies of Distinction), FFA, and Girls Inc.. Youth clubs may adopt additional protocols consistent with their specific needs and circumstances to help protect the health and safety of all employees, volunteers, contractors, and participants. It is advisable to meet in the largest facility available.

The virus that causes COVID-19 can be spread to others by infected persons who have few or no symptoms. Even if an infected person is only mildly ill, the people they spread it to may become seriously ill or even die, especially if that person is 65 or older with pre-existing health conditions that place them at higher risk.

Because of the hidden nature of this threat, everyone should rigorously follow the practices specified in these protocols, all of which facilitate a safe and measured reopening of Texas. The virus that causes COVID-19 is still circulating in our communities. We should continue to observe practices that protect everyone, including those who are most vulnerable.

Please note, public health guidance cannot anticipate every unique situation. Youth clubs should stay informed and take actions based on common sense and wise judgment that will protect health and support economic revitalization. Youth clubs should also be mindful of federal and state employment and disability laws, workplace safety standards, and accessibility standards to address the needs of both workers and participants.

Health protocols for your employees, volunteers, and contractors:

- Individuals should avoid being in a group larger than 10 individuals. Within these groups, individuals should, to the extent possible, minimize in-person contact with others not in the individual's household. Minimizing in-person contact includes maintaining 6 feet of separation from individuals. When maintaining 6 feet of separation is not feasible, other methods should be utilized to slow the spread of COVID-19, such as wearing a face covering or mask, washing or sanitizing hand frequently, and avoiding sharing utensils or other common objects.
- Train all employees, volunteers, and contractors on appropriate cleaning and disinfection, hand hygiene, and respiratory etiquette.
- Screen employees, volunteers, and contractors before coming into the youth club:
 - Send home any employee, volunteers, or contractor who has any of the following new or worsening signs or symptoms of possible COVID-19:

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Cough - Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing - Chills - Repeated shaking with chills - Muscle pain - Headache 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Sore throat - Loss of taste or smell - Diarrhea - Feeling feverish or a measured temperature greater than or equal to 100.0 degrees Fahrenheit - Known close contact with a person who is lab confirmed to have COVID-19
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 - Do not allow employees, volunteers, or contractors with new or worsening signs or symptoms listed above to return to the youth club facility until:

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- In the case of an employee, volunteer, or contractor who was diagnosed with COVID-19, the individual may return to work when all three of the following criteria are met: at least 3 days (72 hours) have passed *since recovery* (resolution of fever without the use of fever-reducing medications); and the individual has *improvement* in symptoms (e.g., cough, shortness of breath); and at least 10 days have passed *since symptoms first appeared*; or
 - In the case of an employee, volunteer, or contractor who has symptoms that could be COVID-19 and does not get evaluated by a medical professional or tested for COVID-19, the individual is assumed to have COVID-19, and the individual may not return to work until the individual has completed the same three-step criteria listed above; or
 - If the employee, volunteer, or contractor has symptoms that could be COVID-19 and wants to return to work before completing the above self-isolation period, the individual must obtain a medical professional's note clearing the individual for return based on an alternative diagnosis.
- Do not allow an employee, volunteer, or contractor with known close contact to a person who is lab-confirmed to have COVID-19 to return to the youth club facility until the end of the 14 day self-quarantine period from the last date of exposure (with an exception granted for healthcare workers and critical infrastructure workers).
- Have employees, volunteers, and contractors wash or sanitize their hands upon entering the youth club facility.
- Have employees, volunteers, and contractors maintain at least 6 feet of separation from other individuals. If such distancing is not feasible, other measures such as face covering, hand hygiene, cough etiquette, cleanliness, and sanitation should be rigorously practiced.
- If a youth club provides a meal for employees, volunteers, contractors, and/or participants, youth clubs are recommended to have the meal individually packed for each individual.
- Consistent with the actions taken by many employers across the state, consider having all employees, volunteers, and contractors wear cloth face coverings (over the nose and mouth). If available, employees, volunteers, and contractors should consider wearing non-medical grade face masks.

Health protocols for your facilities:

- If 6 feet of separation is not available between employees, volunteers, contractors, and/or participants inside the facility, consider the use of engineering controls, such as dividers between individuals, to minimize the chances of transmission of COVID-19
- Regularly and frequently clean and disinfect any regularly touched surfaces, such as doorknobs, tables, chairs, and restrooms.
- Disinfect any items that come into contact with individuals.
- Make hand sanitizer, disinfecting wipes, soap and water, or similar disinfectant readily available to employees, volunteers, contractors, and participants.
- Consider placing [readily visible signage](#) at the youth club facility to remind everyone of best hygiene practices.
- Consider having an individual wholly or partially dedicated to ensuring the health protocols adopted by the youth club are being successfully implemented and followed.

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CHECKLIST FOR YOUTH SPORTS OPERATORS

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A note about children and COVID-19:

The virus that causes COVID-19 can infect people of all ages. While the risk of serious illness or loss of life is greatest in those 65 years of age or older with pre-existing health conditions, persons in every age group can become infected with COVID-19 and some may become seriously ill or even die.

We should all be thankful that, with rare exceptions, COVID-19 is not claiming the lives of our children. However, we can never forget that a child with a mild or even asymptomatic case of COVID-19 can spread that infection to others who may be far more vulnerable.

COVID-19 is spread from person to person through contact that is close enough to share droplets generated by coughing, sneezing, speaking, and even just breathing. COVID-19 can also be spread by touching objects where contaminated droplets have landed. Because of this easy manner of transmission, an infant, child or young person who is infected with COVID-19 can spread the infection to others they come in close contact with, such as members of their household, teachers, or other caregivers. We have learned that infected persons with mild or even no symptoms can spread COVID-19.

These facts are vitally important when considering engaging in youth sporting activities.

One thing is for certain: We must find reasonably safe ways to restore these services so that our children can be cared for, and for their parents and guardians to be able to return to work.

For adults in the workplace or other public spaces, we are confident that if certain measures such as cloth face coverings or non-medical grade masks, respiratory etiquette, frequent hand washing / hand sanitation and environmental cleaning and sanitizing are widely observed, we can then proceed with reopening Texas in a safe and measured way.

However, such protective measures that we can expect from adults are, for a variety of reasons, simply not possible for children and youth to practice in sporting activities.

All of these factors mean that while certain precautions against the spread of COVID-19 can and will be applied to youth sports, the infection control measures that can be put in place in these settings will differ from those that are suitable for other social, business and commercial settings.

Every adult who is responsible for providing care for youth in these settings must be aware of these facts and be willing to comply with the infection control measures that will be in place in these settings. Parents should monitor the health of their children and not send them to participate in sporting activities if they exhibit any symptom of COVID-19. They should seek COVID-19 testing promptly and report results to the program given the implications for other children, families, and staff. Individuals aged 65 or older are at a higher risk of COVID-19. Parents should protect any vulnerable persons who are members of the same household or come into frequent, close contact with individuals who participate in youth sports.

About minimum health protocols:

Youth sports may operate in Texas. Spectators should maintain at least 6 feet social distancing from individuals not within the spectator's group.

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The following are the minimum recommended health protocols for all youth sporting activities in Texas. Youth sports organizers may adopt additional protocols consistent with their specific needs and circumstances to help protect the health and safety of all employees, contractors, volunteers and participants.

The virus that causes COVID-19 can be spread to others by infected persons who have few or no symptoms. Even if an infected person is only mildly ill, the people they spread it to may become seriously ill or even die, especially if that person is 65 or older with pre-existing health conditions that place them at higher risk. Because of the hidden nature of this threat, everyone should rigorously follow the practices specified in these protocols, all of which facilitate a safe and measured reopening of Texas. The virus that causes COVID-19 is still circulating in our communities. We should continue to observe practices that protect everyone, including those who are most vulnerable.

Please note, public health guidance cannot anticipate every unique situation. Youth sports organizers should stay informed and take actions based on common sense and wise judgment that will protect health and support economic revitalization. Youth sports organizers should also be mindful of federal and state employment and disability laws, workplace safety standards, and accessibility standards to address the needs of both workers and customers.

Health protocols for employees, contractors, and volunteers ("staff"):

- Provide notice to all parents and guardians of the enhanced risks of participants being in direct contact with anyone age 65 or older for 14 days after participating in a sport event or practice.**
- Train all staff on appropriate cleaning and disinfection, hand hygiene, and respiratory etiquette.
- Screen all staff each day for any of the following new or worsening signs or symptoms of possible COVID-19:
 - Cough
 - Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
 - Chills
 - Repeated shaking with chills
 - Muscle pain
 - Headache
 - Sore throat
 - Loss of taste or smell
 - Diarrhea
 - Feeling feverish or a measured temperature greater than or equal to 100.0 degrees Fahrenheit
 - Known close contact with a person who is lab confirmed to have COVID-19
- Limit staff with underlying conditions from attending or staffing the youth sporting event.
- Consistent with the actions taken by many employers across the state, consider having all staff wear cloth face coverings (over the nose and mouth). If available, staff should consider wearing non-medical grade face masks.
- Staff should mitigate environmental exposures by additional cleaning and disinfecting of symptomatic staff's work area, common areas, and bathrooms. Staff should follow and supervise the Program Activity Plan and, if applicable, the Transportation Plan.

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Health protocols regarding sick participants and staff members:

- Isolate staff and participants exhibiting new or worsening signs or symptoms of possible COVID-19 and contact the local health department.
- Do not allow staff with the new or worsening signs or symptoms of COVID-19 to return to work until:
 - In the case of a staffer who was diagnosed with COVID-19, the individual may return to work when all three of the following criteria are met: at least 3 days (72 hours) have passed *since recovery* (resolution of fever without the use of fever-reducing medications); and the individual has *improvement* in symptoms (e.g., cough, shortness of breath); and at least 10 days have passed *since symptoms first appeared*; or
 - In the case of a staffer who has symptoms that could be COVID-19 and does not get evaluated by a medical professional or tested for COVID-19, the individual is assumed to have COVID-19, and the individual may not return to work until the individual has completed the same three-step criteria listed above; or
 - If the staffer has symptoms that could be COVID-19 and wants to return to work before completing the above self-isolation period, the individual must obtain a medical professional's note clearing the individual for return based on a negative nucleic acid COVID-19 test and an alternative diagnosis.
- Staff should help the operator in identifying exposure risks (a.k.a. contact tracing).
- Each sporting team is considered a cohort. Outside of the sporting event, discourage mixing between cohorts.
 - Immediately isolate any participant or staff member who tests positive for COVID-19.
 - If a staff member tests positive for COVID-19, the youth sports organizer should notify parents or guardians of possible exposure to a lab-confirmed case of COVID-19.
 - If 3 or more cohorts in a sports league have individuals test positive for COVID-19, work with state and local public health authorities about continued operations of the youth sports league.
 - Using the groups or cohort strategy, contact tracing can be initiated promptly, and isolation and surveillance can be implemented in short order.

Health protocols for spectators:

- Individuals should avoid being in a group larger than 10 individuals. Within these groups, individuals should, to the extent possible, minimize in-person contact with others not in the individual's household. Minimizing in-person contact includes maintaining 6 feet of separation from individuals. When maintaining 6 feet of separation is not feasible, other methods should be utilized to slow the spread of COVID-19, such as wearing a face covering or mask, washing or sanitizing hand frequently, and avoiding sharing utensils or other common objects.

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- Consistent with the actions taken by many individuals across the state, all spectators should consider wearing cloth face coverings (over the nose and mouth). If available, spectators should consider wearing non-medical grade face masks.

Health protocols for grounds and facilities:

- Develop, train, and implement increased daily sanitization protocols for common surfaces, restrooms, recreational equipment, and facilities.
- Make hand sanitizer, disinfecting wipes, soap and water, or similar disinfectant readily available throughout the facility.
- Consider having an individual wholly or partially dedicated to ensuring the health protocols adopted by the youth sports league are being successfully implemented and followed.**
- Health policies and protocols should include communicating and coordinating with the local health department, local emergency services, and local health care providers.
- Consistent with the actions taken by many employers across the state, consider having all staff and participants wear cloth face coverings (over the nose and mouth). If available, staff and participants should consider wearing non-medical grade face masks.

Health protocols for youth sports facilities:

- Develop and implement a Program Activity Hygiene Plan to include:
 - Sanitization of all program areas
 - Sanitization of equipment before and after use
 - Hand washing or hand sanitizing before and after activities
- Group excursions related to youth sports are strongly discouraged, and should be limited or eliminated where feasible. To the extent those excursions continue, develop and implement Transportation Protocols to include:**
 - One individual per seat and every other row in a vehicle
 - Staggered seating for maximum distancing
 - Asking participants and staff to wear face coverings or masks while in vehicle
 - All individuals should sanitize hands upon boarding the vehicle
- Remind participants, parents, and guardians of the enhanced risks of participants being in direct contact with anyone age 65 or older for 14 days after participating in the youth sporting event or practice.