

GUIDELINES FOR ENTERTAINMENT VENUES AND TOURIST ATTRACTIONS

In addition to the Safer at Home Order's mandates and the *Guidelines for Safeguarding All Businesses*, the following practices are strongly recommended for all entertainment venues and tourist attractions.

This guidance is intended for entertainment venues, including arcades, auditoriums, bowling alleys, concert venues, theaters, performing arts centers, tourist attractions (including water parks, theme parks, amusement parks, zoos, museums and planetariums), racetracks, casinos, bingo halls, adult entertainment venues and venues operated by social clubs.

It is strongly recommended that all businesses follow applicable COVID-19-related safety guidelines from the Food and Drug Administration and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) publication, *Reopening Guidance for Cleaning and Disinfecting Public Spaces, Workplaces, Businesses, Schools, and Homes*, at <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/reopen-guidance.html>

Employers:

- **Allow employees to work from home as much as possible.**
- **Screen all employees reporting to work for COVID-19 symptoms with the following questions:**
 - o Have you been in close contact with a confirmed case of COVID-19?
 - o Are you experiencing a cough, shortness of breath or sore throat?
 - o Have you had a fever in the last 48 hours?
 - o Have you experienced new loss of taste or smell?
 - o Have you experienced vomiting or diarrhea in the last 24 hours?
- **Screen employees for fever:**
 - o Best practice: Employers should take temperatures onsite with a no-touch thermometer each day upon a person's arrival at work.
 - o Minimum practice: an employee should take his or her temperature before arriving. In either case,

a normal temperature does not exceed 100.4 degrees Fahrenheit.

- **Any employee who exhibits COVID-19 symptoms**, who answers yes to any of the screening questions or who is running a fever, should leave the premises immediately, or not go to it, and seek medical care or COVID-19 testing or both.
- **Implement workplace cleaning and disinfection practices** according to CDC guidelines, with regular sanitization of often-touched surfaces at least every two hours.
- **Post extensive signage on health policies**, including the following documents, in the workplace:
 - o CDC guidance to stop the spread of germs, at <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/downloads/stop-the-spread-of-germs.pdf>
 - o CDC guidance on Symptoms of COVID-19, at <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/downloads/COVID19-symptoms.pdf>

Employees:

- Stay home when feeling ill, when exposed to COVID-19 (for instance, if someone at home is infected), or if diagnosed with a confirmed case of COVID-19. People who are particularly vulnerable to COVID-19, such as people 65 or older or people with heart disease, diabetes, or other chronic conditions, are encouraged to work from home.
- Increase hygiene practices: wash hands more frequently, avoid touching your face, practice good etiquette when coughing or sneezing.
- Wear a cloth face covering (not an N-95 or medical mask, which should be reserved for healthcare workers) while at work and in public to help protect against the spread of the virus.
- Abide by guidelines established by employer, which may include the use of gloves, social distancing practices in the workplace and increased sanitation.

Business Adaptations:

- Limit group reservations to 8 or fewer people.
- Configure your facility so that customers are separated by at least 6 feet from others not in their group.

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- Consider having an individual dedicated to ensuring the health policies adopted by the employer are followed.
 - Patrons over the age of five years old should wear a mask or other facial covering that covers his or her nostrils and mouth whenever practicable while on the premises of the entertainment venue.
 - Modify check-in and payment processes to observe social distancing, and implement sanitization measures (for instance, no shared pens, use contact-less payments where possible).
 - Prohibit use of waiting areas to avoid congregation (for instance, customers could be notified by call or text message).
 - Use a clearly designated entrance and a separate, clearly designated exit to maintain social distancing.
 - Regularly and frequently clean and sanitize shared resources/equipment after each use, and high-touch surfaces such as doorknobs, tables, chairs, counters, check-out areas, keypads, and restrooms.
 - Make hand sanitizer, disinfecting wipes, soap and water, or similar cleaning or washing materials readily available to employees and visitors.
 - Use plastic shields or other barriers between customers and employees at service counters, and clean such barriers frequently.
 - Add social distancing reminders, such as floor decals or audio announcements, to encourage customers to keep at least 6 feet from others not in their group.
 - Remove all self-serve items on the premises, such as self-service selection stations for bowling balls or golf clubs, or self-service food or drink areas. Have staff provide such items to patrons directly.
 - Temporarily close any common areas where social distancing is difficult or impossible to maintain, places such as playgrounds and children's "ball pits."
 - Encourage parent/guardian supervision for all children, in part to ensure that children comply with guidelines too.
- **Businesses that serve food or beverages** - follow the previously issued *Guidelines for Restaurants and Bars* found here <https://www.alabamapublichealth.gov/covid19/assets/cov-sah-restaurants-bars.pdf>
- Bowling Alleys, Billiards/Pool Halls, Bingo Halls, Casinos, Arcades, Mini Golf, Driving Ranges, Skating Rinks:**
- At bowling centers and mini-golf, limit customers per lane or group (for example, no more than 6).
 - Adjust equipment layout and close or restrict access to equipment to maintain appropriate social distancing among customers, including at least 6 feet of separation.
 - o In facilities that have lanes or stations, such as bowling centers or golf driving ranges, open every other lane or station only.
 - o In arcades, limit the number of games so that games can be spaced more than 6 feet apart.
 - In climbing gyms, open only a portion of climbing paths to customers.
 - Require customers to use only one piece of equipment during their visit (for example, one bowling ball, putter, or rafting oar).
 - Require customers to clean equipment such as bowling balls that they touch. Customers should use disinfecting wipes before and after each use.
 - Disinfect equipment, including bowling balls, shoes, pool cues, putters, and other rentals, before and after customer use.
- Zoos, Aquariums, and Natural Tourist Attractions:**
- Regularly disinfect frequently touched items, such as zoo bars and handrails, to the extent feasible. If safe to do so, minimize access to such items.
 - Take all reasonable steps to prevent people from congregating in lobbies and other common areas.
 - Outdoor venues or those not assigned a normal occupancy load by the fire marshal must limit occupancy as needed to maintain a consistent six-foot distance between persons from different households.