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Overview:

The State of Nevada remains under an emergency as declared by the Governor. This declaration allows the state and its partners to respond to the global pandemic, as well as to seek federal resources and reimbursement for actions taken to protect the health of the residents and visitors of our state. This statewide emergency will remain in place for the foreseeable future, which will allow state and local partners to collaborate in addressing the challenges presented by this pandemic.

On February 14, 2021, Governor Sisolak unveiled [Nevada's Roadmap to Recovery](#), which provides his plan to reduce current statewide COVID-19 mitigation measures and transition certain mitigation measures to local authority. Per the Governor's [Emergency Directive 037](#) and Directive 041, this will occur in a phased approach, with transition to local authority happening on May 1, 2021 at the earliest. This document is intended to provide an outline of activities and considerations that must happen for this transition to occur during this timeline.

The Governor's plan, which is distilled in the included graphic, includes a reduction in most mitigation measures throughout the state over three key dates: February 15, March 15, and May 1. Additional and more detailed information referred to below can be found [here](#) and on the [Nevada Health Response website](#). While the statewide standards will change over these three dates, there will need to be considerable work by local partners to ensure that they are prepared to implement appropriate local mitigation and enforcement measures by the May 1 date, at the earliest.

Operational and Governance Model: As with every step of Nevada's statewide response to date, *Nevada's Roadmap to Recovery* will continue to ensure that Nevada's response to the COVID-19 pandemic remains federally supported, state managed, and locally executed. As outlined below, this means that each aspect of response and recovery efforts, to include vaccine distribution, will align with federal, state, and local disaster response and recovery plans. A general description of responsibility at each level is outlined below.

Federally Supported: This model will be particularly important during the ongoing vaccination efforts, which have benefited greatly from increased federal collaboration and coordination, and these same improvements should assist Nevada's ongoing response and recovery efforts as well. Nevada has benefited from federal funding to support response and vaccination efforts unemployment programs, as well as resources and personnel at local and state request. This support will remain critical for our ongoing response efforts as well as state and local recovery efforts following the pandemic.

State Managed: The State of Nevada will provide a critical role in coordinating Nevada's response and recovery efforts throughout the remainder of the disaster as well. State government will continue to manage statewide vaccine distribution, receipt and distribution of federal funding, testing and contact tracing resources, or any other pandemic-related activities that require statewide management. It is important to note that the current pandemic remains a statewide and nationwide emergency that requires an emergency management response. Through this approach, and as described below, local government will be delegated authority from the State to implement localized mitigation and enforcement measures.

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In addition to working with federal partners, the State will also be responsible for maintaining essential baseline mitigation measures that will remain in place. Even after May 1, 2021, the following baseline mitigation measures will remain in place and will continue to be enforced by the State:

- Statewide mask requirement as outlined in Directive 024.
- Social distancing and hygiene considerations as outlined in Directive 021.
- School reopening and operational requirements as outlined in Directives 022, 028, and 038.
- Crisis Standards of Care as outlined in Directive 011.
- Additionally, industries regulated by the state, whether through professional licensing boards covered in Title 54 of the Nevada Revised Statutes, through state agencies, or through independent regulatory bodies such as the Gaming Control Board, will continue to follow the statewide baseline standards for COVID-19 mitigation measures and any mitigation measures promulgated by their respective regulatory bodies.

In accordance with the [National Response Framework](#) and [Chapter 414 of the Nevada Revised Statutes](#), the State defines local partners as county governments working in partnership with incorporated cities, school districts, health districts or authorities, and in some cases, with tribal governments. While it is the Governor's intent for this delegation of authority to remain in place throughout the remainder of the emergency declaration, factors such as increased viral spread, the unknown nature of various variants, and otherwise could result in increased baseline mitigation measures, or the State resuming control of some or all mitigation measures.

In addition to the Governor's statewide standards, Nevada's management of this plan will largely be carried out by the [COVID-19 Mitigation and Management Task Force](#) (Task Force). Through its regularly scheduled meetings, Task Force will have a number of important roles, including the following:

- Monitor the spread of the virus within each Nevada county using the three established criteria, which can be found on the County Tracker pages on the [Nevada Health Response data dashboard](#).
- Monitor statewide vaccination efforts by county.
- Work with county governments to ensure each has an appropriate plan to assume the authority delegated to them prior to the transition to local authority on May 1, at the earliest.
- Receive regular updates from county governments on the implementation of their plans after the transition to local authority on May 1, at the earliest.
- Provide feedback and recommendations for how local plans might be improved.
- Identify and coordinate local, state, and federal resources for county partners.

The State COVID-19 Mitigation and Management Task Force (Task Force) will review and offer feedback and assistance to local governments with respect to their transition plans. If the Task Force determines that the plans presented by county governments are not sufficient or that they have substantial deficiencies, however, the Task Force will continue to work with the local authorities to improve the plan. In such cases, the full delegation of authority may occur later than May 1, 2021.

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LOCALLY EXECUTED: Local Mitigation and Enforcement Planning Process

County governments will continue to respond to the public health crisis and continue to execute vaccination efforts. In order to receive the delegation of authority regarding specific local mitigation measures on May 1, each county must develop a full Local Mitigation and Enforcement Plan that aligns with the template provided by the State and meets the requirements in the following approval and review process:

- **STEP 1:** Each county must begin development of a Local Mitigation and Enforcement Plan for receiving delegation of authority.
- **STEP 2 (March 15):** The State Task Force will begin conducting an in-progress review of each county's preliminary Plan in order to provide feedback and recommendations during a public meeting.
- **STEP 3 (March 15 – Mid-April):** Within this timeframe, the Local Mitigation and Enforcement Plan should be finalized and **MUST** receive endorsement from the following entities:
 - Local Health District/Authority;
 - Superintendent for the local school district;
 - City Managers (for only those cities with a population in excess of 100,000); and
 - Nevada Hospital Association and/or Nevada Rural Hospital Association.

Following receipt of these endorsements, the completed plan MUST be approved by a vote of the respective Board of County Commissioners.

- **STEP 4 (April 13 – April 15):** The State Task Force conducts a final review of each county's plan in order to provide feedback and recommendations during a public meeting. The Task Force will work with each county to schedule a presentation over the course of several Task Force meetings taking place on April 13, April 14 and April 15.
- **STEP 5 (May 1):** Counties that have participated in this process and have developed appropriate plans receive delegation of authority from the Governor.

The dates listed above are subject to change based on planning process and public meeting schedule.

Local Mitigation and Enforcement Plan Requirements: As described above and outlined in Directive 041, each county will develop a plan in order to assume authority delegated to them by the Governor. In addition to having input and support from regional government leaders, these plans will outline the local approach to mitigation, management, and enforcement after May 1.

At a minimum, the following topics **MUST** be addressed within each county's plan. Specific requirements that must be addressed within these topics can be found in the Roadmap to Recovery: Local Mitigation and Enforcement Planning Guide, which will be issued in the near future.

- **Monitoring:**
 - COVID-19 measures and indicators to be monitored to determine the nature of the virus within your communities.
 - Protection of vulnerable populations.
 - Testing and contact tracing efforts.
 - Hospital capacity management.

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- Status of PPE and other materials needed.
- **Mitigation Measures:**
 - Occupancy restrictions for public and private gatherings, events, and activities.
 - Large event gatherings and plan approval process.
 - Youth and adult recreational sports.
 - Industry-specific guidance.
 - General social distancing, PPE, and hygiene requirements for businesses and public activities.
 - Public sector work plans to support in-person or work-from-home services.
- **Enforcement Measures:**
 - Regional enforcement partnership and coordination structure.
 - Enforcement monitoring activities.
 - Enforcement actions for offenses.
- **Public Information:**
 - Campaigns to promote public health measures.
 - Campaigns to promote and inform on vaccination efforts.
- **Resource Needs:**
 - Public health, enforcement, or emergency management needs of the county.

ONGOING LOCAL APPROVAL PROCESS (post-transition to Local Authority)

In the initial Local Mitigation & Enforcement Plan, counties may only include initial mitigation measures and must not include future loosening or tightening of restrictions.

If counties wish to amend their approved mitigation measures after May 1st, they MUST follow this approval process:

- Any subsequent changes to the Local Mitigation and Enforcement Plan MUST be approved by a vote of the respective Board of County Commissioners
- Any changes must be submitted *in writing* to the State of Nevada Mitigation & Management Task Force after receiving a vote of approval from the Board of County Commissioners. The report must also include whether the changes received the endorsement of the following entities:
 - Local Health District/Authority;
 - Superintendent for the local school district;
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 - Nevada Hospital Association and/or Nevada Rural Hospital Association.



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KEY CONSIDERATIONS FOR PLANNING

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Below are key considerations for planning, including the current status of statewide mitigation measures by category for reference. This information should help assist counties as they develop the actions they'll take for the required "mitigation measures" section of the Local Mitigation and Enforcement Plan.

PUBLIC GATHERINGS & EVENTS

Large in-person gatherings can present risk for increasing the spread of COVID-19 if social distancing, face covering requirements, and other mitigation guidance is not followed. All organizations, individuals and families, and event planners are encouraged to provide remote events and gatherings as an alternative to hosting in-person gatherings.

	CURRENT STATEWIDE STANDARDS	PROPOSED LOCAL MEASURES*
CAPACITY	<p>Limited to no more than 250 individuals or 50 percent of fire code capacity, whichever is less, under strict social distancing requirements.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">---</p> <p>UPDATE PER DIRECTIVE 041 effective March 15, 2021:</p> <p>If a gathering space or venue wants to host more than 250 individuals for an event, (live entertainment show, convention, trade show, etc) it may have up to 50 percent of fire code capacity, so long as a Large Gathering Plan Certification Form is submitted and approved.</p>	[INSERT LOCAL PLAN]
LARGE GATHERING PLANS	<p>Large Gathering Plans Submitted PRIOR to May 1 for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Events taking place prior to May 1: Large Gathering Plan Certification Forms may be submitted to the Nevada Department of Business & Industry (B&I) who will work in consultation with state public health officials and other applicable state agencies to review and potentially approve gatherings above 250 individuals, up to 50 percent. • Events taking place May 1 – June 30 (after potential transition to Local Authority): Large Gathering Plan Certification Forms may be submitted through April 30 (or through whenever authority transitions to a county) to the Nevada Department of Business & Industry (B&I) who will work in consultation with state public health officials and other applicable state agencies to review and potentially approve gatherings above 250 individuals, up to 50 percent capacity. <p>Applications Submitted after Transition to Local Authority: Large Gathering approval process will be determined by county authorities in accordance with its Local Mitigation and Enforcement Plan.</p> <p><i>[SEE BELOW for State to Local Authority transition process]</i></p>	[INSERT LOCAL PLAN]

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LARGE GATHERING PLAN CERTIFICATION PROCESS: Those who plan to host a gathering, event, performance, convention, conference, trade show, or other congregation of people for more than 250 individuals before June 30, 2021 must submit a Large Gathering Venue COVID-19 Preparedness & Safety Plan Certification Form ("Large Gathering Plan Certification") to the Nevada Department of Business & Industry (B&I). Large Gatherings (more than 250 people, up to 50 percent capacity) can only take place upon receiving approval by B&I. These venues will be capped at 50 percent of the total fire code capacity and must follow social distancing requirements and be able to adhere to all mitigation protocols.

APPROVAL PROCESS: Large gatherings will not be allowed without approval of a Large Gathering Plan Certification Form. Every Large Gathering Plan Certification Form must be submitted to the Nevada Department of Business & Industry (B&I) for review and potential approval. B&I may work in consultation with state public health officials and other applicable state agencies to review submitted certification forms.

- County, city and municipality local government authorities may not approve a Large Gathering Plan for an event or gathering taking place prior to May 1, 2021.
- The State may review and approve large gatherings plans up until April 30, 2021 (*or through whenever authority transitions to a county*) for events and gatherings that are planned to take place between May 1 and June 30.
- In order to provide consistency and certainty for those currently planning large events and gatherings between May 1 and June 30, organizers will be able to operate under either the state or county mitigation measures and capacity limits, whichever is *less* restrictive. For example, if a county decides to increase capacity for gatherings and events after the transition to local authority, the organizer may work with the county after the transition occurs to hold the event at the higher capacity limit. Similarly, if the county decides to decrease capacity for gatherings and events, the organizer will be allowed to host their event at the state-approved capacity level.

[Click here](#) for Nevada Guidance for Safe Gatherings (updated March 12, 2021)

PRIVATE GATHERINGS & EVENTS

In-person gatherings can present risk for increasing the spread of COVID-19 if social distancing, face covering requirements, and other mitigation guidance are not followed. All organizations, individuals and families, and event planners are encouraged to provide remote events and gatherings as an alternative to hosting in-person gatherings. Public health officials continue to strongly recommend avoiding gatherings with individuals outside of your household.

	CURRENT STATEWIDE STANDARDS	PROPOSED LOCAL MEASURES*
CAPACITY	Private social gatherings are restricted to 10 people indoors and 25 people outdoors .	[INSERT LOCAL PLAN]

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FOOD & BEVERAGE ESTABLISHMENTS:

*Restaurants & Bars, Pubs, Wineries, Distilleries, and Breweries (those that serve food and those that do not).
This includes all restaurants and bars within gaming properties.*

	CURRENT STATEWIDE STANDARDS	PROPOSED LOCAL MEASURES*
CAPACITY	<p>May allow indoor dining at no more than 50% occupancy based on applicable fire code, under strict social distancing requirements.</p> <p>No occupancy limits for outdoor dining**, as long as all social distancing requirements are followed.</p>	[INSERT LOCAL PLAN]
RESERVATIONS	Reservations NOT REQUIRED	[INSERT LOCAL PLAN]
SEATING	No more than 6 patrons per table with social distancing requirements	[INSERT LOCAL PLAN]
BAR SEATING	<p>Patrons sitting at a table or booth must only be served via table service.</p> <p>Patrons may be served at bar tops if spaced 6ft apart and bar top parties should be limited to no more than 2 persons.</p>	[INSERT LOCAL PLAN]
ADDITIONAL MEASURES	<p>Strongly encouraged to continue curbside, delivery, and/or carry out operations. Restaurants and bars are encouraged to try to expand outdoor seating options, and local governments are encouraged to work with these businesses to meet this goal.</p> <p>Restaurants and bars should continue to have hand sanitizer available and should be conducting health screenings and/or temperature checks. Buffets will remain prohibited.</p>	[INSERT LOCAL PLAN]

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**Outdoor dining means dining in an area that is not enclosed or surrounded by a roof and rigid wall structures or non-rigid materials, such as fabric or vinyl. For example, a tent with walls is considered "indoors" because it restricts natural air flow and ventilation. Areas covered by a structure without walls, such as an overhead canopy, sun shade, or awning, are considered "outdoors."

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PLACES OF WORSHIP:

Mitigation measures, including but not limited to capacity, for houses of worship must not be more restrictive than mitigation measures for similar gatherings or businesses.

	CURRENT STATEWIDE STANDARDS	PROPOSED LOCAL MEASURES*
CAPACITY	May operate under strict social distancing requirements at no more than 50% occupancy based on applicable fire code.	[INSERT LOCAL PLAN]
ADDITIONAL MEASURES	CLICK HERE FOR NEVADA COVID-19 SAFETY GUIDANCE FOR PLACES OF WORSHIP	[INSERT LOCAL PLAN]

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GYMS, FITNESS/DANCE/YOGA STUDIOS, MARTIAL ARTS STUDIOS & SIMILAR ESTABLISHMENTS:

	CURRENT STATEWIDE STANDARDS	PROPOSED LOCAL MEASURES*
CAPACITY	May operate under strict social distancing requirements at no more than 50% occupancy based on applicable fire code.	[INSERT LOCAL PLAN]
GYM/STUDIO LOCKER ROOMS**	Locker rooms may be open but MUST be limited to 50 percent capacity . Single stall showers may be utilized. Community showers, saunas, vapor baths, salt therapy rooms, hot tubs, spas and other communal areas remain prohibited.	[INSERT LOCAL PLAN]
ADDITIONAL MEASURES	Equipment MUST be moved or designated inoperable to ensure a minimum of six feet of social distancing between users.	[INSERT LOCAL PLAN]

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**Enclosed locker rooms that allow multiple individuals at one time increase risk of infection due to a lack of ventilation and limited ability to socially distance. Locker rooms must be limited to 50 percent capacity for this reason.



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GAMING FLOORS:

Capacity and mitigation measures for gaming areas will **NOT** transition to local control after May 1 and **will remain under the authority of the Nevada Gaming Control Board**. Uniform, statewide mitigation measures will continue to apply to gaming areas.

After May 1, other businesses located within a gaming property will be subject to the applicable county's capacity and other mitigation measures applicable to that type of business, per the approved Local Mitigation and Enforcement Plan. For example, a retail clothing store located within a gaming property shall follow the mitigation measures for retail stores that are set forth in the county's plan.

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ARCADES, RACETRACKS, BOWLING ALLEYS, MINI GOLF, POOL HALLS, AMUSEMENT & THEME PARKS, and SIMILAR ACTIVITIES:

These venues have many high-touch surfaces and are common venues for group gatherings, or gatherings that would promote food/drink consumption or other activities that would require mask removal. A responsible and staggered approach is strongly recommended by public health officials.

	CURRENT STATEWIDE STANDARDS	PROPOSED LOCAL MEASURES*
CAPACITY	May operate under strict social distancing requirements at no more than 50% occupancy based on applicable fire code.	[INSERT LOCAL PLAN]
ADDITIONAL MEASURES	High-touch surfaces should be avoided (remain closed if applicable/possible) and cleaned frequently. Food and drink should be contained to areas designated as restaurants/food courts and should adhere to requirements in place for those types of establishments.	[INSERT LOCAL PLAN]

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LIBRARIES, MUSEUMS, ART GALLERIES, AQUARIUMS & ZOOS:

	CURRENT STATEWIDE STANDARDS	PROPOSED LOCAL MEASURES*
CAPACITY	May operate under strict social distancing requirements at no more than 50% occupancy based on applicable fire code.	[INSERT LOCAL PLAN]
ADDITIONAL MEASURES	All interactive and/or hands-on exhibits must be closed. High-touch surfaces should be avoided and cleaned frequently. Food and drink should be contained to areas designated as restaurants/food courts and should adhere to requirements in place for those types of establishments.	[INSERT LOCAL PLAN]

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BODY ART & PIERCING ESTABLISHMENTS:

	CURRENT STATEWIDE STANDARDS	PROPOSED LOCAL MEASURES*
CAPACITY	May operate under strict social distancing requirements per existing Directives.	[INSERT LOCAL PLAN]
APPOINTMENTS	Services shall be provided by appointment only , and customers waiting for an appointment must wait outside and practice social distancing.	[INSERT LOCAL PLAN]
ADDITIONAL MEASURES	No body art or piercing may be done around the nose or mouth. Establishments with walls/partitions between stations or chairs may utilize all stations, but no more than 1 customer can be at a station at any given time . Establishments without walls/partitions between stations/chairs may only seat clients every other station or chair, or arrange stations or chairs to a min of 6ft apart .	[INSERT LOCAL PLAN]

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SPAS, MASSAGE THERAPY & MASSAGE ESTABLISHMENTS:

Industries regulated by professional licensing boards covered in Title 54 of the Nevada Revised Statutes will continue to follow the statewide baseline standards for COVID-19 mitigation measures and any mitigation measures promulgated by their respective regulatory bodies, in addition to local measures.

	CURRENT STATEWIDE STANDARDS	PROPOSED LOCAL MEASURES*
CAPACITY	May operate under strict social distancing requirements per existing Directives and protocols established by the Nevada State Board of Cosmetology and Nevada State Board of Massage Therapy .	[INSERT LOCAL PLAN]
APPOINTMENTS	Services shall be provided by appointment only , and customers waiting for an appointment must wait outside and practice social distancing.	[INSERT LOCAL PLAN]
ADDITIONAL MEASURES	Out-call and/or in-home service may be provided with observation of same protocols as in the establishments. Establishments, including day and overnight spas, that may operate for aesthetic and massage services must prohibit the use of steam rooms, saunas, portable saunas, vapor baths, salt therapy rooms, hot tubs, and any other communal facilities.	[INSERT LOCAL PLAN]

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HAIR SALONS, BARBERSHOPS, NAIL SALONS & BUSINESSES THAT PROVIDE AESTHETIC SKIN SERVICES:

Industries regulated by professional licensing boards covered in Title 54 of the Nevada Revised Statutes will continue to follow the statewide baseline standards for COVID-19 mitigation measures and any mitigation measures promulgated by their respective regulatory bodies, in addition to local measures.

	CURRENT STATEWIDE STANDARDS	PROPOSED LOCAL MEASURES*
CAPACITY	May operate under strict social distancing requirements per existing Directives and protocols established by the Nevada State Board of Cosmetology and Nevada Barbers' Health and Sanitation Board, as applicable.	[INSERT LOCAL PLAN]
APPOINTMENTS	Services shall be provided by appointment only , and customers waiting for an appointment must wait outside and practice social distancing.	[INSERT LOCAL PLAN]
ADDITIONAL MEASURES	Out-call and/or in-home service may be provided with observation of same protocols as in the establishments. Salons & barber shops with walls/partitions between stations or chairs may utilize all stations, but no more than 1 customer can be at a station at any given time. Salons and barber shops without walls/partitions between stations/chairs may only seat clients every other station or chair, or arrange stations or chairs to a min of 6ft apart.	[INSERT LOCAL PLAN]

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RETAIL STORES:

	CURRENT STATEWIDE STANDARDS	PROPOSED LOCAL MEASURES*
CAPACITY	May operate under strict social distancing requirements at no more than 50% occupancy based on applicable fire code.	[INSERT LOCAL PLAN]
RETAIL & GROCERY STORES W/OVER 50,000 sq. ft. capacity	MUST have "counters" at all public entrances to manage capacity. MUST have health screening signage at public entrances. Encouraged to conduct temperature screenings before entry.	[INSERT LOCAL PLAN]
SELF-SERVE FOOD/BEVERAGE OPTIONS	Retail stores, including grocery stores, may offer limited self-service food and drinks with mitigation measures in place.**	[INSERT LOCAL PLAN]
ADDITIONAL MEASURES	Strongly encouraged to promote and continue online or call-in ordering, curbside, delivery, and/or carry out operations.	[INSERT LOCAL PLAN]

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**These locations can allow for social distancing by strictly limiting the number of customers at one time. Recommended mitigation practices include, but are not limited to: limiting number of individuals using food and drink stations at one time; using individual or disposable utensils and serving ware wherever possible; and providing hand sanitizer and recommending usage before touching any communal surfaces.

CANNABIS - Medicinal & Recreational Establishments:

After May 1, Medicinal and Recreational Marijuana Establishments will still remain under the authority and regulatory control of the Nevada Cannabis Compliance Board (CCB). However, capacity and mitigation measures for Medicinal and Recreational Marijuana establishments will fall under the category of "Retail Stores" within each county

- For example, if a county decides to set a capacity limit of 50 percent for retail stores in its Local Mitigation and Enforcement Plan, marijuana establishments will also be at 50 percent capacity.



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INDOOR MALLS:

	CURRENT STATEWIDE STANDARDS	PROPOSED LOCAL MEASURES*
CAPACITY	May operate under strict social distancing requirements at no more than 50% occupancy based on applicable fire code -- including no more than 50% capacity within each individual retail store , which must comply with all retail business restrictions.	[INSERT LOCAL PLAN]
ADDITIONAL MEASURES	Strongly encouraged to promote and continue online or call-in ordering, curbside, delivery, and/or carry out operations.	[INSERT LOCAL PLAN]

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COMMUNITY & RECREATIONAL CENTERS:

	CURRENT STATEWIDE STANDARDS	PROPOSED LOCAL MEASURES*
CAPACITY	May operate under strict social distancing requirements at no more than 50% occupancy based on applicable fire code.	[INSERT LOCAL PLAN]

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YOUTH AND ADULT RECREATIONAL SPORTS:

Current state guidance does NOT govern professional sports leagues or college division level sports. The NIAA retains authority over when high school sports will resume and the guidelines under which competition will resume, consistent with Section 7 of Directive 028 and Sections 5 and 7 of Directive 034.

	CURRENT STATEWIDE STANDARDS	PROPOSED LOCAL MEASURES*
TOURNAMENTS	<p>Tournaments for permissible sports (pursuant to Directive 034) allowed to resume no earlier than March 15.</p> <p>Tournaments must be approved by applicable State authorities prior to competitions through submission of a Preparedness & Safety Plan.</p>	[INSERT LOCAL PLAN]
ADDITIONAL MEASURES	<p>Amount of spectators allowed at a tournaments will be dictated by the applicable Directives on gathering sizes and must be outlined in the tournament's approved Preparedness & Safety Plan.</p>	[INSERT LOCAL PLAN]
CONTACT LEVEL	<p>PROHIBITED (unless regulated by NIAA)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Full-Contact Sports including football, rugby, wrestling, ice hockey, basketball, etc. <p>---</p> <p>ALLOWED:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minimal-Contact Sports including baseball, softball, soccer, volleyball, lacrosse, etc. • Non-Contact Sports including golf, tennis, running, track and field, skiing/snowboarding, gymnastics, etc. 	[INSERT LOCAL PLAN]

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Guidance for Local Planning: For reference, previous State Directives related to youth and adult recreational sports did not apply to sporting events regulated by professional sports leagues, the Nevada State Athletic Commission (NSAC), or the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA). With respect to high school sports, the Nevada Interscholastic Activities Association (NIAA) always retained authority over schedules and the guidelines under which competition could take place.

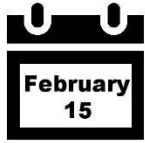
State Emergency Directives classify which sports are full-, minimal-, and non-contact with corresponding restrictions applied to those classifications. The transition to local authority will allow each county to revisit the classifications and rules for the different types of sports. ***SEE: ["Nevada Guidance for Adult & Youth Sports" for all current mitigation measures](#)



ESTABLISHMENTS CURRENTLY CLOSED THAT MAY TRANSITION TO LOCAL AUTHORITY:

	CURRENT STATEWIDE STANDARDS	PROPOSED LOCAL MEASURES*
ADULT ENTERTAINMENT ESTABLISHMENTS	CLOSED	[INSERT LOCAL PLAN]
NIGHTCLUBS & DAYCLUBS	CLOSED	[INSERT LOCAL PLAN]
BROTHELS	CLOSED	[INSERT LOCAL PLAN]
KARAOKE	CLOSED	[INSERT LOCAL PLAN]

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PUBLIC GATHERINGS & EVENTS

- ✓ **100 individuals or 35% of fire code capacity**, whichever is less, under strict social distancing requirements
- ✓ Large Gathering Plans allowed for submission but cannot resume until **March 1** and only if granted approval by applicable local health & state authorities

35% CAPACITY LIMIT

- ✓ Food & Beverage Establishments: Restaurants, Bars, Pubs, Wineries, Distilleries & Breweries (those that serve food and those that do not)
- ✓ Gyms, Fitness Studios, Yoga Studios, Dance Studios, Martial Arts Studios & similar establishments
- ✓ Gaming Floors
- ✓ Arcades, Racetracks, Bowling Alleys, Mini-Golf, Pool Halls/Billiards Rooms, Amusement and Theme Parks & similar activities

50% CAPACITY LIMIT

- ✓ Places of Worship
- ✓ Libraries, Museums, Art Galleries, Aquariums & Zoos
- ✓ Retail Stores & Indoor Malls
- ✓ Medicinal & Recreational Cannabis Establishments
- ✓ Community/Recreational Centers (incl. public pools)

May operate under strict social distancing requirements and protocols established by existing Directives and/or guidance issued by the applicable regulatory body

- ✓ Spas, Massage Therapy & Massage Establishments
- ✓ Hair Salons, Barbershops, Nail Salons & businesses that provide Aesthetic Skin Services
- ✓ Body Art & Piercing establishments



PUBLIC GATHERINGS & EVENTS

- ✓ **250 individuals or 50% of fire code capacity**, whichever is less, under strict social distancing requirements
- ✓ Large Gathering Plans for trade shows, conferences, conventions, etc., allowed for approval

50% CAPACITY LIMIT

- ✓ Libraries, Museums, Art Galleries, Aquariums & Zoos
- ✓ Retail Stores & Indoor Malls
- ✓ Medicinal & Recreational Cannabis Establishments
- ✓ Community/Recreational Centers (incl. public pools)
- ✓ Food & Beverage Establishments: Restaurants, Bars, Pubs, Wineries Distilleries & Breweries (those that serve food and those that do not)
- ✓ Places of Worship
- ✓ Gyms, Fitness Studios, Yoga Studios, Dance Studios, Martial Arts Studios & similar establishments
- ✓ Gaming Floors
- ✓ Arcades, Racetracks, Bowling Alleys, Mini-Golf, Pool Halls/Billiards Rooms, Amusement and Theme Parks & similar activities

YOUTH & ADULT RECREATIONAL SPORTS

Tournaments allowed to resume if Preparedness & Safety Plan approved by applicable state authorities

May operate under strict social distancing requirements and protocols established by existing Directives and/or guidance issued by the applicable regulatory body

- ✓ Spas, Massage Therapy & Massage Establishments
- ✓ Hair Salons, Barbershops, Nail Salons & businesses that provide Aesthetic Skin Services
- ✓ Body Art & Piercing establishments



TRANSITION TO LOCAL AUTHORITY

- ✓ Public Gatherings & Events
- ✓ Libraries, Museums, Art galleries, Aquariums & Zoos
- ✓ Retail Stores & Indoor Malls
- ✓ Medicinal & Recreational Cannabis Establishments
- ✓ Community/Recreational Centers (incl. public pools)
- ✓ Food & Beverage Establishments: Restaurants, Bars, Pubs, Wineries Distilleries & Breweries (those that serve food and those that do not)
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MUST OPERATE ACCORDING TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE NEVADA CANNABIS COMPLIANCE BOARD

- ✓ Medicinal & Recreational Cannabis Establishments

MUST OPERATE ACCORDING TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE NEVADA GAMING CONTROL BOARD

- ✓ Gaming Floors

May operate under strict social distancing requirements and protocols established by existing Directives and/or guidance issued by the applicable regulatory body

- ✓ Spas, Massage Therapy & Massage Establishments
- ✓ Hair Salons, Barbershops, Nail salons & Businesses that provide Aesthetic Skin Services
- ✓ Body art & piercing establishments

Statewide directives that will remain in place to mitigate the spread will include, but not be limited to: face covering mandate & social distancing safety protocols.

Businesses that will remain closed through at least May 1 include: adult entertainment establishments, dayclubs and nightclubs, brothels and karaoke.



COVID-19 RESOURCE GUIDE FOR LOCAL PLANNING

The resource guide below compiles evidence-based, established best practices from national sources for COVID-19 mitigation from the CDC and other industry authorities with corresponding academic literature included at the end as endnotes.

The key considerations outlined in each section represent the most consistent guidelines that overlap between public health authorities and subject-matter experts. Individual documents may have additional information and more specific guidance. This guidance does not include gathering size restrictions or capacity limitations, though such measures are currently recommended by Nevada, the CDC, and other public health authorities. Local governments should decide on future restrictions based on the level of community spread, establishment type, and facility size.

REFERENCE GUIDE: Food and beverage establishments

Key considerations*

Establishment type	Social distancing	Cleaning and sanitizing	Personal hygiene and employee wellness	Facility maintenance and operations
Restaurants	6 ft. between tables	Disinfect high-touch areas	Require employees to stay home if ill	Encourage pick-up, delivery, and outdoor seating
	Install physical barriers	Opt for single-use items	Screen staff for symptoms	Supplement HVAC systems with open windows and fans
	Use reservations or call-ahead seating	Contactless menu and payment options	Require masks	
	Close waiting areas and buffets		Make hand sanitizer available	Train all employees in new protocols
Bars	Table-service only	Disinfect high-touch areas	Require employees to stay home if ill	Encourage pick-up, delivery, and outdoor seating
	Groups of <6 with 6 ft. between tables**	Opt for single-use items	Screen staff and guests for symptoms	Supplement HVAC systems with open windows and fans
	Mark distances for customers waiting for ID check**	Contactless menu and payment options	Require masks	
	Close dance floors, games, and other gathering areas**		Make hand sanitizer available	Train all employees in new protocols

* Guidance is consistent across guidance documents except where noted

** Guidance is specific to AIHA Reopening: Guidance for the Bar Industry document



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[The National Restaurant Association](#)

<https://go.restaurant.org/covid19-reopening-guide>

- Guidance on food safety, employee health, ventilation and facility maintenance, and handling confirmed/suspected COVID-19 cases

[American Industrial Hygiene Association \(AIHA\) – Bars and Pubs](#)

<https://www.backtoworksafely.org/bar-industry-covid-19-reopening-guidelines>

- Contextualized information for bars, including drink preparation, crowded areas, and enhanced cleaning measures

[Centers for Disease Control and Prevention – Restaurants & Bars](#)

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/organizations/business-employers/bars-restaurants.html>

- Strategies to maintain healthy food and beverage operating environments including workplace management and re-opening preparation

[Food and Drug Administration](#)

<https://www.fda.gov/food/food-safety-during-emergencies/best-practices-retail-food-stores-restaurants-and-food-pick-up-delivery-services-during-covid-19>

- Adds specificity for protecting and monitoring employee health, maintaining operations in foodservice, safely managing pick-up and delivery

REFERENCE GUIDE: Places of worship, community centers, and event spaces

Note that guidelines for places of worship should be aligned to those of public and private businesses.

Key Considerations

Establishment type	Social distancing	Cleaning and sanitizing	Personal hygiene and employee wellness	Facility maintenance and operations
Places of worship	6 ft. between groups	Disinfect high-touch areas	Require patrons to stay home if ill	Encourage drive-in or outdoor services
	Mark 6 ft. distances and create one-way routes	Opt for pre-packaged and single-use cups	Require masks	Supplement HVAC systems with open windows and fans
	Limit physical contact between members	Limit use of shared or passed items	Make hand sanitizer available	Train all volunteers in new protocols
	Limit vocal activity**	Stagger services for cleaning		
Community centers	6 ft. distancing in communal spaces	Disinfect high-touch areas	Require stakeholders to stay home if ill	Encourage virtual, drive-in, and outdoor gatherings
	Host smaller events in larger rooms	Opt for pre-packaged and single-use items	Require masks	



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	Limit vocal activity	Limit use of shared items	Make hand sanitizer available	Supplement HVAC systems with open windows and fans
	Mark 6 ft. distances and create one-way routes	Stagger events for cleaning		Train all members in new protocols
	Close buffets and waiting areas			
Event spaces	6 ft. between groups	Disinfect high-touch areas	Require guests to stay home if ill	Encourage virtual, drive-in, and outdoor options
	Shorten events	Opt for single-use items	Screen staff and guests for symptoms	Supplement HVAC systems with open windows and fans
	Reserved seating only***	Contactless check-in options	Require masks	
	Mark 6 ft. distances and create one-way routes	Limit use of shared items	Make hand sanitizer available	Train all staff in new protocols
	Close waiting areas, dance floors, and other gathering areas	Stagger events for cleaning		

* Guidance is consistent across guidance documents except where noted

** The CDC's guide for community-based organizations suggests limiting vocal activity, but also applies to faith communities

*** Guidelines are given if hosting general admissions events, but doing so is not recommended per CDC guidelines

Guidance documents

[Centers for Disease Control and Prevention – Communities of Faith](#)

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/faith-based.html>

- Includes suggestions for places of worship to consider when preparing to reconvene in-person gatherings, such as social distancing and planning for when someone becomes sick

[Centers for Disease Control and Prevention – Community-Based Organizations](#)

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/organizations/community-based.html>

- Provides information for multiple types of community centers including guidance for programming, food distribution, childcare services, staff training, and meetings

[Event Safety Alliance](#)

<https://www.eventsafetyalliance.org/esa-reopening-guide>

- Addresses health and safety issues that event spaces, performance venues, and theaters may encounter, and provides guidance to mitigate the risk for these gatherings



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Personal care services, including body art, salons, and massage

Key Considerations

Establishment type	Social distancing	Cleaning and sanitizing	Personal hygiene and employee wellness	Facility maintenance and operations
Salons, tattoo and piercing businesses, spas, and massage establishments	6 ft. between stations	Disinfect high-touch areas	Require clients to stay home if ill	Supplement HVAC systems with open windows and fans
	Reservation-only with no additional guests	Opt for single-use items**	Screen staff for symptoms	Refresh air in sauna and spa treatment rooms****
	Install physical barriers	Contactless check-in, menu, and payment options	Hand-washing prior to appointment	Train all staff in new protocols
	Close waiting areas, coffee stations, and other gathering areas	Stagger appointments to allow for cleaning	Require masks	
	Encourage touchless or modified treatment options***		Consider gloves for staff	
	Limit offerings that involve facial touching***		Make hand sanitizer available	

* Guidance is consistent across guidance documents, though the suggestions below vary based on establishment type

** The CDC did not mention disposable capes or aprons, but fresh, sanitized items must be provided to each client

*** The International Spa Association was the only guidance document to mention these policies specifically

**** The state of Nevada has closed these facilities through May 1st, but mitigation protocols (found in the International Spa Association document) are noted here.¹¹¹

Guidance documents

[International Spa Association](#)

<https://experienceispa.com/covid-19-info/2-uncategorised/400-reopening-resources>

- Guides for spas to follow including facility operation plans, shutdown in the event of confirmed COVID-19 cases, and industry hygiene standards

[Professional Beauty Association](#)

<https://www.probeauty.org/membership-resources/getting-back-to-work>

- Details best practices for nail artists, hair stylists, and other professionals to consider, including health screening, cleaning and disinfection protocols, and PPE guidance

[Association of Professional Piercers](#)

https://www.safepiercing.org/psa_covid-19.php

- Includes enhanced cleaning and distancing protocols for those in body art facilities

[Centers for Disease Control and Prevention – Beauty Salon & Barbershop Employers](#)



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<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/organizations/beauty-salon-barber-employers.html>

Provides guidance for beauty industry employers and offers social distancing plans, sanitization strategies, and engineering controls to mitigate spread.

Gyms, fitness studios, sports, and recreational facilities

Key Considerations

Establishment type	Social distancing	Cleaning and sanitizing	Personal hygiene and employee wellness	Facility maintenance and operations
Gyms and fitness/dance/yoga studios	6 ft. between athletes, blocking off equipment to maintain distance	Disinfect high-touch areas	Require patrons to stay home if ill	Encourage virtual and outdoor offerings
	Mark 6 ft. distances in weight areas and classrooms	Limit shared equipment	Screen staff and patrons for symptoms***	Supplement HVAC systems with open windows and fans
	Limit exercise group sizes	Contactless check-in and payment options	Require masks	Train all staff in new protocols
	Host smaller classes in larger rooms	Stagger classes to allow for cleaning	Make hand sanitizer and disinfectant wipes available	
	Frequently clean saunas, showers, and locker rooms**			
Intramural sports	6 ft. between participants	Disinfect high-touch areas	Require athletes to stay home if ill	Encourage outdoor practices and games, especially for high-intensity activities
	Limit the number of spectators	Limit shared equipment	Screen players, coaches, and spectators for symptoms	Supplement HVAC systems with open windows and fans
	Choose larger playing area	Opt for pre-packaged food and drink	Require masks except for athletes	Train all staff in new protocols
	Shorten length of activity	Close drinking fountains	Make hand sanitizer available	
	Keep teams to core participants	Stagger activities to allow for cleaning	No spitting	
	No congregating before or after games			

* Guidance is consistent across guidance documents, though special protocols are suggested for group exercise classes and outdoor activities have fewer restrictions. All intramural sports guidance is taken from the CDC "Playing Sports" document.

** The state of Nevada has closed these facilities through May 1st, but mitigation protocols (found in the International Spa Association document) are noted here. [link](#)

*** Only the Club Management Association guidance document suggested screening both staff and patrons.



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Guidance documents

[Centers for Disease Control and Prevention – Gym & Fitness Centers](#)

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/organizations/gym-employees.html>

- Provides information for gym and fitness center employees on how to decrease risk of infection, along with listing external guides for cleaning, disinfecting, and workplace safety

[Centers for Disease Control and Prevention – Playing Sports](#)

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/daily-life-coping/playing-sports.html>

- Includes considerations for youth and adult intramural sports leagues to reduce exposure risks during competition

[Club Management Association](#)

<https://www.cmaa.org/covid/Reopening/index.html>

- Offers reopening resources for private clubs, including department considerations for pools, camps and childcare, fitness and wellness, golf and tennis, and other operations

Public amusement establishments and attractions

Key Considerations*

Establishment type	Social distancing	Cleaning and sanitizing	Personal hygiene and employee wellness	Facility maintenance and operations
Rides and attractions	6 ft. between groups	Disinfect high-touch areas	Require guests and staff to stay home if ill	Encourage virtual and outdoor offerings
	Mark 6 ft. distances and create one-way routes	Reduce required touch points	Screen staff and guests for symptoms	Supplement HVAC systems with open windows and fans
	Time ticketing to reduce crowds	Contactless check-in and payment options	Require masks	Train all staff in new protocols
Walk-through exhibits (museums, zoos, etc.)	6 ft. between guests	Disinfect high-touch areas	Require guests and staff to stay home if ill	Encourage virtual and outdoor offerings
	Install physical barriers	Close interactive exhibits**	Screen staff and guests for symptoms	Supplement HVAC systems with open windows and fans
	Consider reservation-only	Contactless check-in and payment options	Require masks	Train all staff in new protocols
	Mark 6 ft. distances and create one-way routes	Stagger rides to allow for cleaning	Make hand sanitizer available	
Games (mini golf, bowling), casinos, and arcades	6 ft. between guests	Disinfect high-touch areas	Require guests and staff to stay home if ill	Encourage virtual and outdoor offerings
	Install physical barriers			



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Consider reservation-only	Limit shared gaming consoles and equipment	Screen staff and guests for symptoms	Supplement HVAC systems with open windows and fans
Limit group sizes	Contactless check-in and payment options	Require masks	Train all staff in new protocols
Mark 6 ft. distances and create one-way routes		Require hand sanitizer***	
		Make disinfectant wipes available	

* Guidance is consistent across guidance documents, though the suggestions below vary based on establishment type

** The IAAAPA noted that some exhibits may be able to remain open with mitigation measures and frequent cleaning.

*** All guidance documents suggested hand sanitizer, though in high-touch environments, requiring it should be considered. [liiii](#)

Guidance documents

[Centers for Disease Control and Prevention – Casinos & Gaming Operations](#)

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/organizations/business-employers/casinos-gaming-operations.html>

- Details methods for casinos and gaming operators to reduce the spread of COVID-19, such as modifying gaming layouts, installing physical barriers, increasing ventilation, and intensifying cleaning and disinfecting of high-touch surfaces

[International Association of Amusement Parks and Attractions \(IAAPA\)](#)

<https://www.iaapa.org/iaapa-releases-second-edition-reopening-guidance-considerations-attractions-industry>

- Summarizes additional health, safety, and management considerations for all types of attraction facilities including rides and attractions, museums, zoos, aquariums, water parks, arcades, bowling alleys, and more

[American Industrial Hygiene Association – Libraries](#)

https://aiha-assets.sfo2.digitaloceanspaces.com/AIHA/resources/Reopening-Guidance-for-Libraries_GuidanceDocument.pdf

- Includes industry-specific guidance for library facilities including strategies for physical distancing, cleaning, and employee wellness

[American Alliance of Museums](#)

<https://www.aam-us.org/programs/about-museums/preparing-to-reopen/>

- Addresses multiple situations facing museums, including operating procedures and health and safety protocols for reopening, and lists several sample reopening plans



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Retail stores and indoor malls

Key Considerations*

Establishment type	Social distancing	Cleaning and sanitizing	Personal hygiene and employee wellness	Facility maintenance and operations
Retail stores and indoor malls	6 ft. between groups	Disinfect high-touch areas	Require employees to stay home if ill	Encourage pick-up and delivery
	Install physical barriers	Contactless payment options	Screen staff and guests for symptoms	Supplement HVAC systems with open windows and fans
	Mark 6 ft. distances and create one-way routes		Require masks	
	Limit the number of customers inside stores and changing areas**		Make hand sanitizer available	Train all employees in new protocols
Outdoor malls	6 ft. between guests	Disinfect high-touch areas	Require employees to stay home if ill	Encourage pick-up and delivery
	Limit the number of customers inside retail shops	Contactless payment options	Require masks	Supplement HVAC systems with open windows and fans
	Remove common outdoor seating areas if they cannot be cleaned frequently		Make hand sanitizer available	Train all employees in new protocols

* Guidance is consistent across guidance documents, though the suggestions vary based on establishment type. Essential retail stores may have a different set of considerations, as noted in the U.S. Department of Labor guidance.

** Changing areas were not mentioned in either document, but given the nature of enclosed indoor spaces, should be treated similarly to locker rooms.

Guidance documents

[International Council of Shopping Centers](#)

<https://www.icsc.com/coronavirus/covid-general>

- Offers best practices for re-opened retail stores and shopping centers, covering topics such as indoor traffic flow, social distancing, and hygiene and sanitation

[United States Department of Labor](#)

<https://www.osha.gov/coronavirus/control-prevention/retail>

- Includes guidance to help retail stores reduce workplace hazards for employees in different types of environments, including critical and high-customer settings



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Hotels, lodging, rentals, and shared living facilities

Key Considerations*

Establishment type	Social distancing	Cleaning and sanitizing	Personal hygiene and employee wellness	Facility maintenance and operations
Hotels and lodging	6 ft. between groups	Disinfect high-touch areas	Require employees to stay home if ill	Supplement HVAC systems with open windows and fans
	Install physical barriers	Limit shared equipment	Screen staff for symptoms	Train all employees in new protocols
	Limit the number of guests in common areas and fitness centers**	Contactless payment options	Require masks in common areas	
			Make hand sanitizer available	
Shared living facilities (apartments, condos, etc.)	6 ft. between residents	Disinfect high-touch areas	Require employees to stay home if ill	Supplement HVAC systems with open windows and fans
	Install physical barriers	Limit shared equipment	Screen staff for symptoms	Train all employees in new protocols
	Limit the number of residents in common areas and fitness centers**	Contactless payment options	Require masks in common areas	
			Make hand sanitizer available	

* Guidance is consistent across guidance documents, though the suggestions vary based on establishment type and size.

** More detail can be found in accompanying guides from the AHLA and CDC about how to maintain cleanliness in common areas

Guidance documents

[American Hotel and Lodging Association \(AHLA\)](#)

<https://www.ahla.com/safestay>

- Guides hotel managers and staff through enhanced cleaning measures and safety guidelines

[Centers for Disease Control and Prevention – Hotels, Resorts, and Lodges](#)

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/organizations/hotel-employers.html>

- Provides hotel operations guidance, cleaning guidance, and workforce safety tips

[Centers for Disease Control and Prevention – Shared or Congregate Housing](#)

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/shared-congregate-house/guidance-shared-congregate-housing.html>

- Provides guidance specific to apartments, condos, shelters, and other shared living spaces



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Public transport, rideshares, and taxis

Key Considerations*

Establishment type	Social distancing	Cleaning and sanitizing	Personal hygiene and employee wellness	Facility maintenance and operations
Public transit	6 ft. between groups where possible	Disinfect high-touch areas	Require employees to stay home if ill	Supplement HVAC systems with open windows or air conditioning
	Install partitions	Limit shared materials	Screen staff for symptoms	
	Prohibit congregating near exits	Contactless payment options	Require masks	Train all employees in new protocols
	Time tickets for boarding, if needed**		Make hand sanitizer available	
Rideshares and taxis	Limit rides to one group at a time	Disinfect high-touch areas	Require employees to stay home if ill	Supplement air conditioning with open windows
	Do not use the front passenger seat	Limit shared materials	Screen staff for symptoms	Avoid using recirculated air option during transport
	Install partitions between driver and passengers	Contactless payment options	Require masks	
			Make hand sanitizer available	Train all employees in new protocols

* Guidance is consistent across guidance documents, though suggestions vary based on the type of vehicle being utilized

** Timed tickets were not mentioned in any document but could reduce crowding when entering mass transit like trains or buses

Guidance documents

[American Public Transit Association \(APTA\)](#)

[https://www.apta.com/wp-content/uploads/COVID-19 Transit Guide REVISION-2020 08 11.pdf](https://www.apta.com/wp-content/uploads/COVID-19%20Transit%20Guide%20REVISION-2020%2008%2011.pdf)

- Specifies protocols for buses, revenue and non-revenue vehicles, shared rides, and railcars

[Centers for Disease Control and Prevention – Bus Transit Operators](#)

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/organizations/bus-transit-operator.html>

- Provides information for bus operators, including cleaning, employee health, and distancing

[Centers for Disease Control and Prevention – Rideshare, Taxi, Limo, & Other Drivers-for-Hire](#)

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/organizations/rideshare-drivers-for-hire.html>

- Includes information for drivers to protect themselves and their passengers such as specific cleaning tips for cars and maintaining personal hygiene in a small, enclosed space



ADDITIONAL COVID-19 REOPENING RESOURCES:

Primary Resources

[The Center for Disease Control](https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html)

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html>

- The primary US COVID-19 site for resources and is the leading **US public health institute** and federal **health protection agency**. It contains recommendations for both individuals and industries (e.g., education, businesses, etc.)

[The World Health Organization](https://www.who.int/emergencies/diseases/novel-coronavirus-2019)

<https://www.who.int/emergencies/diseases/novel-coronavirus-2019>

- The primary global site for resources and is the United Nations public health agency, leading **international health efforts**. It also contains recommendations for both individuals and industries (e.g., education, businesses, etc.)

[The Food and Drug Administration \(FDA\)](https://www.fda.gov/emergency-preparedness-and-response/counterterrorism-and-emerging-threats/coronavirus-disease-2019-covid-19)

<https://www.fda.gov/emergency-preparedness-and-response/counterterrorism-and-emerging-threats/coronavirus-disease-2019-covid-19>

- In addition to managing COVID-19 vaccine approvals, the FDA provides expertise on personal protective equipment, and specific industries (e.g., [food retail establishments](#))

[The Federal Emergency Management Agency \(FEMA\)](https://www.fema.gov/disasters/coronavirus/best-practices)

<https://www.fema.gov/disasters/coronavirus/best-practices>

- While known best for its disaster response, FEMA has pulled together a list of COVID-19 best practices for both individuals and industries.

Other Resource Types

There are numerous additional resources that provide information for specific groups or industries, for example:

[The National Restaurant Association](https://go.restaurant.org/covid19-reopening-guide)

<https://go.restaurant.org/covid19-reopening-guide>

- Provides information for multiple situations including operating guidance and reopening

[The American Association of Retired Persons](https://www.aarp.org/coronavirus/)

<https://www.aarp.org/coronavirus/>

- Provides information for older adults and their caregivers

A number of Nevada counties have provided mitigation and enforcement plans to the Task Force in 2020, and they provide some examples for how others have addressed this pandemic. These plans can be found [here](#).



DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY

DIRECTIVE 041

WHEREAS, on March 12, 2020, I, Steve Sisolak, Governor of the State of Nevada, issued a Declaration of Emergency to facilitate the State's response to the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020, Donald J. Trump, President of the United States, declared a nationwide emergency pursuant to Sec. 501(b) of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, 42 U.S.C. 5121-5207 (the "Stafford Act"); and

WHEREAS, the World Health Organization advises that transmission occurs through both droplet and airborne transmission, where droplet transmission occurs when a person is in close proximity to someone who is infected with COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, infectious disease and public health experts advised that minimizing interpersonal contact slows the rate at which the disease spreads, and is necessary to avoid overwhelming healthcare systems; and

WHEREAS, on March 5, 2020, Clark County and Washoe County both reported the first known cases of COVID-19 in the State of Nevada; and

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2020, the World Health Organization declared COVID-19 a pandemic; and

WHEREAS, infectious disease and public health experts advised that wearing a mask or other face covering is an important and effective measure to reduce the spread of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, on November 24, 2020, I issued Emergency Directive 035 to implement a "Statewide Pause," which restricted the size of gatherings, reduced capacity for bars, restaurants, and other businesses, and urged Nevadans to stay home to the greatest extent possible, in order to stop the surge in COVID-19 cases; and

WHEREAS, in late December 2020, Nevada began distributing COVID-19 vaccines, but the supply of vaccines remains severely limited; and

WHEREAS, Nevada's hospitalization rate for suspected and confirmed COVID-19 cases has trended downward since mid-January 2021; and

WHEREAS, since mid-January 2021, the 14-day moving average test positivity rate has steadily declined, but is still over the 5% threshold recommended by the WHO for reopening, and COVID-19 still poses a substantial threat to the public health; and

WHEREAS, on February 14, 2021, I issued Emergency Directive 037, which set forth a stepped approach to easing the restrictions on the size of gatherings, reduced capacity for bars, restaurants, and other businesses, that were implemented during the Statewide Pause; and

WHEREAS, Emergency Directive 037 provides that, beginning on May 1, 2021, it may be appropriate to transition the management of certain mitigation measures to the counties, if COVID-19 cases continue to decline; and

WHEREAS, new variants of the COVID-19 virus have been identified, and medical experts have determined that some of these variants are significantly more contagious than previously known variants; and

WHEREAS, COVID-19 remains a statewide public health crisis and certain mitigation measures and emergency management functions will continue to be managed at the state level to protect the overall health and safety of all Nevadans; and

WHEREAS, NRS 414.060 outlines powers and duties delegated to the Governor during the existence of a state of emergency, including without limitation, directing and controlling the conduct of the general public and the movement and cessation of movement of pedestrians and vehicular traffic during, before and after exercises or an emergency or disaster, public meetings or gatherings; and

WHEREAS, NRS 414.070 outlines additional powers delegated to the Governor during the existence of a state of emergency, including without limitation, enforcing all laws and regulations relating to emergency management and assuming direct operational control of any or all forces, including, without limitation, volunteers and auxiliary staff for emergency management in the State; providing for and compelling the evacuation of all or part of the population from any stricken or threatened area or areas within the State and to take such steps as are necessary for the receipt and care of those persons; and performing and exercising such other functions, powers and duties as are necessary to promote and secure the safety and protection of the civilian population; and

WHEREAS, NRS 414.060(3)(f) provides the administrative authority vested to the Governor in times of emergency may be delegated; and

NOW THEREFORE, by the authority vested in me as Governor by the Constitution and the laws of the State of Nevada and the United States, and pursuant to the March 12, 2020, Emergency Declaration,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

SECTION 1: The limitations imposed by previous Directives or regulations are hereby superseded by the explicit provisions of this Directive. Any provisions not addressed by this Directive shall remain in force as provided by previous Directives or regulations promulgated pursuant to the March 12, 2020 Declaration of Emergency.

SECTION 2: Each county within this State is hereby delegated the authority and duty to develop a COVID-19 Local Mitigation and Enforcement Plan ("Local Plan"), which must address, at a minimum, each of the following:

1. Mitigation measures for:
 - a. Public gatherings and events, including a process for review and approval of large gathering plans for gatherings in excess of 250 persons;
 - b. Retail businesses and indoor malls;
 - c. Community / recreational centers, including public pools;
 - d. Food and beverage establishments such as bars, wineries, distilleries, and breweries;
 - e. Places of worship;
 - f. Gyms, fitness studios, yoga studios, dance studios, martial arts, and similar establishments;
 - g. Spas, massage, hair salons and barber shops, nail salon, body art and piercing and similar establishments;
 - h. Arcades, racetracks, bowling alleys, mini-golf, pool halls, theme parks, and similar activities; and
 - i. Youth and adult recreational sports.
2. Enforcement measures and procedures for ensuring compliance with mitigation measures.
3. A strategy for ensuring adequate monitoring of COVID-19, including but not limited to:
 - a. Measures and indicators to be monitored to determine the prevalence and nature of the virus within the community;
 - b. Testing and contact tracing efforts;
 - c. Hospital capacity management;
 - d. Inventory and status of PPE and other needed materials;
 - e. Protection of vulnerable populations;
 - f. Public sector work plans to support in-person or work-from-home policies; and
 - g. Monitoring vaccine distribution efforts.
4. Public information campaigns to promote public health measures and vaccination efforts.

A template for developing a Local Plan will be provided by the COVID-19 Mitigation and Management Task Force ("Task Force").

SECTION 3: In developing its Local Plan, each county should consult and collaborate with its local health authority and/or county health officer, county school district superintendent, local or regional hospitals, and city managers of cities within the county that have 100,000 or more residents.

A county is strongly encouraged to submit a draft written Local Plan to the Task Force for feedback and recommendations. Draft Local Plans should be submitted no earlier than March 15, 2021. The Task Force will collaborate with the county to revise, amend or improve the draft Local Plan as needed.

Prior to the Governor delegating management of mitigation measures to a county and transition this authority to local control, a final written Local Plan must first be reviewed and endorsed by the following individuals or bodies:

1. The local health authority or the county health officer, as applicable;
2. The county's superintendent of schools;
3. The Nevada Hospital Association and/or the Nevada Rural Hospital Association; and
4. The City Manager for each city with 100,000 or more residents located within the county.

Following receipt of the above required endorsements, the final Local Plan must be approved by a vote of the respective Board of County Commissioners.

SECTION 4: After final approval of a Local Plan as provided in Section 3, the Local Plan must be submitted to the Task Force for review. The Local Plan shall be submitted prior to April 15, 2021. The Task Force will conduct a final review of the Local Plan and provide any additional feedback and recommendations.

Subject to the provisions of Section 5, on or after May 1, 2021, the Governor will delegate management of the mitigation measures set forth in Section 2 to counties that have developed a suitable Local Plan to manage those mitigation measures and have taken the required steps set forth in Section 3 to approve a final Local Plan.

Except as otherwise provided in this Directive, all mitigation measures, including without limitation capacity restrictions, set forth in this and prior Directives which are still in effect will continue to apply in all counties that have not received a delegation of management authority from the Governor.

SECTION 5: If the State or any county experiences a significant increase in COVID-19 cases, hospitalizations, or deaths, the Governor may rescind any or all delegations of authority granted pursuant to this Directive and may resume operational control over all or any part of the management of COVID-19 mitigation measures.

SECTION 6: The Task Force will continue to monitor the risk of COVID-19 transmission in each county. A county is flagged for elevated disease transmission if it meets two of the following three criteria: (1) average number of tests per day per 100,000 (normalized for population) is less than 100; (2) case rate per 100,000 is greater than 200; (3) case rate per 100,00 is greater than 50 and test positivity rate is greater than 8%.

Criteria 1 and 3 are based on a 14-day moving average, with a 7-day lag in reporting and criterion 2 is based on the previous 30 days.

The Task Force will also continue to monitor vaccine distribution efforts in each county.

SECTION 7: Notwithstanding any delegation of authority pursuant to this Directive, certain mitigation measures (or "Baseline Statewide Mitigation Measures") shall remain in place and will continue to be managed and enforced by the State, including but not limited to:

- Statewide mask / face covering requirement as set forth in Directive 024.
- Social distancing and hygiene considerations as set forth in Directive 021.
- School reopening and operational requirements as set forth in Directive 038.
- Crisis Standards of Care as set forth in Directive 011.
- Open Meeting Law provisions as originally set forth in Directive 006.
- Mitigation measures for gaming and cannabis establishments.
- All other mitigation measures not specifically delegated pursuant to this Directive.

SECTION 8: Effective immediately, Section 3 of Directive 037 is hereby amended to add the following:

For public gatherings at outdoor gathering spaces that do not have an assigned fire code capacity, including without limitation: parks, beaches, plazas, and public or private streets, the number of attendees is limited to the lesser of 250 persons or to the extent necessary to allow each attendee to maintain a distance of at least six feet from all other attendees, at all times.

SECTION 9: Sections 10 and 11 of Directive 037 shall terminate at 11:59 p.m. on March 14, 2021. Effective 12:00 a.m. on March 15, 2021, this Section shall apply to all gatherings and events in excess of 250 attendees that will occur before May 1, 2021.

Authority is hereby delegated to the Nevada Department of Business & Industry (B&I) to determine and prescribe the necessary COVID-19 mitigation measures, which may take into account the type of event and/or the venue. B&I shall consult with the State Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) and may modify those mitigation requirements as necessary to respond to changes in COVID-19 transmission, vaccination rates, and guidance from DHHS and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), except that B&I shall not allow for more attendees than 50% of fire code occupancy capacity.

A person wishing to host, organize, or conduct a large gathering (the "organizer") under this Section must submit a Large Gathering Plan to B&I. The Large Gathering Plan must explain how the organizer will meet each of the requirements prescribed by B&I for implementation of COVID-19 mitigation measures and must contain any other information deemed necessary by B&I. B&I will review the application and may consult with state public health authorities and any other state agencies, commissions or regulatory boards, as applicable, to determine the sufficiency of the Large Gathering Plan. B&I will not approve any Large Gathering Plan for more attendees than 50% of occupancy capacity.

SECTION 10: Effective 12:00 a.m. on March 15, 2021, this Section shall apply to all gatherings and events in excess of 250 attendees that will occur between May 1, 2021 and June 30, 2021.

A person wishing to host, organize, or conduct a large gathering (the "organizer") under this Section may submit a Large Gathering Plan to B&I as set forth in Section 9. B&I will not approve any plan for more attendees than 50% of occupancy capacity.

The organizer may also submit a Large Gathering Plan to the applicable authorities in the county, in accordance with the processes and procedures set forth by the county. However, even if the Large Gathering Plan is approved by the county, it is not valid unless the county receives a delegation of authority pursuant to Section 4 of this Directive.

If the county approves the Large Gathering Plan and, prior to the gathering, the county in which the event will occur has adopted a Local Plan pursuant to Section 3 of this Directive and received a delegation of authority pursuant to Section 4 of this Directive, the organizer may hold the event according to either the plan approved by B&I or the plan approved by the county, whichever is less restrictive.

The intent of this Section is to promote certainty for the planning of events that will occur during the period of transition from State to county authority.

SECTION 11: Effective 12:00 a.m. on March 15, 2021, this Section shall apply to all gatherings and events in excess of 250 attendees that will occur after June 30, 2021.

Once a county adopts a Local Plan as set forth in Section 3 of this Directive and the Governor has delegated management of the mitigation measures as set forth in Section 4 of this Directive, B&I will no longer review and approve plans for large gatherings in that county. A person wishing to host, organize, or conduct such a gathering (the "organizer") shall follow the procedures set forth in the Local Plan adopted by the county in which the event will occur.

If the county has not adopted a Local Plan or has not received a delegation of authority pursuant to the procedures set forth in this Directive, the organizer must consult with the applicable county and local health authorities to determine the appropriate mitigation measures.

SECTION 12: Section 7 of Directive 037 shall terminate, effective 12:00 a.m. on May 1, 2021. Gaming properties shall comply with all mitigation measures, which may include but are not limited to capacity limitations for gaming areas, as set forth by the Gaming Control Board.

Effective 12:00 a.m. on May 1, 2021, provisions of this and other Directives that remain in effect, and any mitigation measures put in place by the applicable county, that apply to non-gaming businesses including but not limited to retail stores, restaurants and bars, non-retail venues, and pools and aquatic facilities, shall apply to those businesses, including those located on gaming properties.

SECTION 13: Effective 12:00 a.m. on May 1, 2021, cannabis establishments shall comply with all mitigation measures, which may include but are not limited to capacity limitations, as set forth by the Cannabis Compliance Board and those mitigation measures for retail stores set forth in the county's Local Plan. If a county has not adopted a Local Plan as set forth in this Directive, cannabis establishments in that county must comply with all mitigation measures set forth by the Cannabis Compliance Board.

SECTION 14: Section 9 of Directive 038 shall terminate at 11:59 p.m. on March 14, 2021. Effective 12:00 a.m. on March 15, 2021, county school districts, charter schools, or private schools wishing to host, organize, or conduct a gathering, event, performance, or other congregation of people in excess of 250 persons must submit a Large Gathering Plan to B&I as set forth in this Directive.

SECTION 15: This Directive shall become effective at 12:00 a.m. on March 15, 2021 and remain in effect until terminated by a subsequent Directive promulgated pursuant to the March 12, 2020 Declaration of Emergency to facilitate the State's response to the COVID-19 pandemic or upon dissolution or lifting of the Declaration of Emergency.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Nevada to be affixed this 12th day of March, in the year two thousand twenty-one.



Governor of the State of Nevada

Barbara K. Cegavske

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