Proceeding With Caution

UPDATING STATEWIDE COVID-19 HEALTH ORDER FOR ALABAMA

Visit governor.alabama.gov for a full list of changes, guidelines and updates.

STAY AT HOME

Expire on April 30th at 5 p.m.

AMENDED SAFER AT HOME

The Safer at Home order extends until December 11th at 5 p.m.

WHAT’S NEW

STAY AT HOME ORDER:

INDIVIDUALS

Ordered to stay at home except to meet basic needs

EMPLOYERS

Businesses closed except for those that meet a critical need or pose a minimal risk; sanitation and social-distancing rules and guidelines for remaining businesses

RETAIL STORES

Essential retail stores open subject to 50% occupancy rate, social-distancing and sanitation rules

BEACHES

Closed for all purposes

MEDICAL PROCEDURES

Postponed except for those deemed "necessary" under various criteria as determined

NON-WORK GATHERINGS

Limited to no more than 10 persons with 6 feet of distance between persons. "Drive-in" gatherings permitted if participants stay in cars with people from their own households.

SENIOR CITIZEN CENTERS

Regular programming suspended except meals available through curbside pick-up or delivery

EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS

Closed to in-person instruction (except for daytime special activities programs)

CHILD DAY CARE FACILITIES

Must not allow 12 or more children in a room

HOSPITALS AND NURSING HOMES

Must implement policies to restrict visitation

RESTAURANTS, BARS AND BREWERIES

Limited to take-out, curbside or delivery

CLOSED

— Entertainment venues (such as nightclubs, theaters, bowling alleys)
— Athletic facilities and activities (such as fitness centers and commercial gyms)
— Close-contact service providers (such as barber shops, hair salons, nail salons, tattoo services)

WHAT’S STAYING THE SAME:

MASKS IN SCHOOLS

Masks required in schools and colleges, where possible, for employees and students in second grade and above

Masks required in public when interacting within 6 feet of people from another household, subject to certain exceptions

ENTERTAINMENT VENUES (SUCH AS ARCADES, THEATERS, BOWLING ALLEYS)

May open subject to social-distancing and sanitation rules and guidelines

ATHLETIC ACTIVITIES

Allowed subject to social-distancing and sanitation rules and guidelines

EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS

May open subject to social-distancing and sanitation rules and guidelines

CHILD DAY CARE FACILITIES

May open subject to social-distancing and sanitation rules and guidelines

SUMMER CAMP

May open subject to social-distancing and sanitation rules and guidelines

INDIVIDUALS

Encouraged to stay home and follow good sanitation practices

EMPLOYERS

Businesses may open subject to sanitation and social-distancing guidelines

RETAIL STORES

Subject to social-distancing and sanitation rules

MEDICAL PROCEDURES

Allowed unless prohibited in the future by the State Health Officer to preserve resources necessary to diagnose and treat COVID-19; providers must follow COVID-19 related rules and guidance from state regulatory boards or public health authorities

HOSPITALS AND NURSING HOMES

Subject to restrictions, patients and residents will be allowed visits from one caregiver or one visitor at a time

SENIOR CITIZEN CENTERS

Regular programming still suspended except meals still available through curbside pick-up or delivery

NON-WORK GATHERINGS

Still required to maintain 6 feet of distance between persons not from same household

RESTAURANTS, BARS AND BREWERIES

May open with limited table seating, 6 feet between tables and subject to additional sanitation rules and guidelines

ATHLETIC FACILITIES (SUCH AS FITNESS CENTERS AND COMMERCIAL GYM)

Athletic facilities may open subject to social-distancing and sanitation rules and guidelines

CLOSE-CONTACT SERVICE PROVIDERS

Close-contact service providers (such as barber shops, hair salons, nail salons, tattoo services) may open subject to social-distancing and sanitation rules and guidelines

BEACHES

Open with no limit on gatherings. Must maintain 6 feet of separation.