



As we move into new phases of re-opening, we want everyone to stay safe. The governor's new guidelines, include customers wearing masks when they aren't eating, expanded outdoor seating and customers waiting in their cars for a table.

Newsom, emphasized that stricter county shelter-in-place rules take precedence over his order. Counties that meet his guidelines will be allowed to reopen dine-in restaurants, but not bars, pubs, breweries or wineries that don't serve food. Restaurants intending to reopen must write a plan to prevent the spread of COVID-19 and train employees in its implementation, follow intensive protocols for cleaning and disinfecting high-traffic areas, and make sure all customers and employees can stay six feet away from one another- among other rules.

You've probably heard that the Health Officer of the County of Santa Clara County has modified our stay at home order. Below you'll find some more helpful information on COVID-19 and our county's response, this updated Shelter-in-Place Order <https://www.sccgov.org/sites/covid19/Documents/05-18-20-Health-Officer-Order.pdf> allows certain additional businesses and activities to resume, subject to restrictions to reduce transmission risk. The Order also makes important changes to the Social Distancing Protocol requirements for all operating businesses. This new Order, will remain in effect until the Health Officer amends or rescinds it. This new Order replaces the prior order, which went into effect on May 4, 2020.

What changes does this new Order make?

The May 22 Order allows several new categories of businesses and activities to reopen, subject to specific conditions and limitations. It also keeps key restrictions in place, requiring people to stay in their homes except when engaging in certain essential or allowed activities. The activities and businesses allowed to reopen under the new order are referred to as "Additional Activities" and "Additional Businesses" and are explained in Appendices C-1 and C-2 to the Order available here, <https://www.sccgov.org/sites/covid19/Pages/home.aspx>. These and other significant changes are highlighted below:

Additional Businesses:

- Retail stores may reopen for sales, but only for curbside/outside pickup or by delivery. Customers are not allowed to enter these retail stores. These retail stores must also comply with several additional operating conditions, including:
 - They cannot move goods outside the store to display and sell.
 - They must limit the number of workers inside the facility as described in the Order.
 - They must have direct access to a sidewalk, street, outdoor walkway, parking lot, or alley for pickup.
- The Order also allows businesses that support these retail businesses to resume operating, including those that manufacture goods sold at these stores and businesses that provide warehousing and distribution services.
- Outdoor museums, historical sites, and publicly accessible gardens are allowed to reopen, but visitors are restricted to outdoor areas.



Social Distancing Protocol:

- The May 22nd Order updates the Social Distancing Protocol (Appendix A to the Order) to incorporate new State of California requirements for training personnel and other measures.
- To operate, all businesses must complete a Social Distancing Protocol using the new template or update their Protocols to incorporate the new requirements. A copy of the Protocol must be distributed to all employees.
- To show that they are implementing the Social Distancing Protocol to keep their staff and customers safe from COVID-19, all businesses must print and post in a prominent place near the entrance to the businesses (1) a COVID-19 PREPARED Sign and (2) a Social Distancing Protocol Visitor Information Sheet. Both the Sign and Visitor Information Sheet can be found in Appendix A to the Order.
- All businesses must post signage required in the Social Distancing Protocol to educate customers about health and safety requirements.

This is certainly exciting news. Visit our website for more information and resources. If you have any questions we are available by phone and emailing mlbravo@primecommercialinc.com.

Take care,

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