

COVID-19 Comprehensive Emergency Order (CEO)

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CHAPTER 1. GENERAL

This Comprehensive Emergency Order (“CEO”) states the rules and regulations for Broward County during the local state of emergency that has been in effect since March 10, 2020, due to the coronavirus pandemic (“COVID-19”). This CEO will be maintained by the Broward County Attorney’s Office, available online for public inspection, and updated to reflect any additional orders as may be issued by the Broward County Administrator, so that this CEO will consistently reflect the current rules and regulations that apply in Broward County.

COVID-19 is a respiratory illness caused by a virus that spreads rapidly from person to person and may result in serious illness or death. On March 1, 2020, the Governor of Florida, Ron DeSantis, declared a Public Health Emergency as a result of COVID-19, and on March 9, 2020, Governor DeSantis issued Executive Order 20-52, declaring a State of Emergency as a result of COVID-19. On March 10, 2020, Broward County declared a Local State of Emergency, and on March 13, 2020, President Donald Trump declared a national emergency concerning COVID-19.

Broward County continuously monitors COVID-19 related data, including vaccination rates, test positivity rates, incidence rates, and hospital bed capacity (the “metrics”). As metrics continue to improve, the restrictions in this CEO will be progressively reduced or removed by the issuance of amendments to this CEO. The next planned substantive reduction will occur when Broward County achieves the following metrics:

1. At least 50% of adults in Broward County have received at least one vaccination shot; and
2. The COVID-19 test positivity rate for Broward County is less than 5%, measured on a 5-day rolling average, for 10 consecutive days.

When the above metrics are met, an amendment to this CEO will be issued to effectuate the following reductions in COVID-19 regulations:

- Remove the six feet Social Distancing requirements for Restaurants and food service Establishments, outdoor gatherings, hotels, and Function Spaces;
- Remove capacity limitations on Restaurants and food service Establishments, Retail Establishments, Movie Theaters, Auditoriums, Playhouses, Concert Halls, and Pari-Mutuel Establishments, Community Rooms, Museums, and Function Spaces;
- Remove the gathering limitations on private residences, outdoor non-professional Organized Sports, and Function Spaces.

If the metrics continue to improve, regulations will be further reduced by additional amendments to this CEO. If Broward County fails to maintain the test positive rate set forth above, certain regulations may be reinstated as determined to be in the best interest of the public health, safety, and welfare.

CHAPTER 2. DEFINITIONS

Amenity means a park, a pool, a beach, or any portion of multi-family housing property, including pools, community rooms, and athletic courts, primarily used for leisure or entertainment.

CDC Guidelines means the guidance from the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention that is available at <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-nCoV/index.html>, as may be updated from time to time, and any guidance or subpages on that site.

Common area means any area within a multi-housing development shared by the residents that is not an Amenity and is not a resident's personal residential property. This term includes but is not limited to elevators, hallways, communal kitchens, laundry rooms, and reception areas.

Establishment means any retail, commercial, governmental, charitable, nonprofit, or other business or organization. Amenities are Establishments.

Function Space means an Establishment, or portion of an Establishment, acting as the venue for special events, including conferences, conventions, weddings, receptions, and bar mitzvahs, among others.

Organized Sport means a sport, such as soccer, football, baseball, basketball, softball, boxing, and other recognized sport, that is part of an established athletic league or part of an organized program (municipal or otherwise) and includes training, practice sessions, and games or matches.

School means an entity defined in Section 1003.01(2), Florida Statutes, that operates in Broward County, whether operated by or under the jurisdiction of The School Board of Broward County or operated as a private or religious institution or home education program, and any other academic institution operating in Broward County, such as a trade school or an entity providing post-high school education (including colleges and universities). The term "school" does not include pre-K childcare facilities (which are considered Establishments and subject to the provisions of this CEO applicable to Establishments).

Social Distancing means staying at least 6 feet away (in all directions) from any person from outside your household or family (meaning parents and children). In some instances, this CEO requires that a distance greater than 6 feet be maintained; in those instances, Social Distancing means maintaining at least that greater distance (in all directions).

Specific Use means a particular use or function of all or part of an Establishment that is part of the regular activities or operations of the Establishment. Specific Use does not include special events or activities that are not part of the regular activities or operations of the Establishment.

Visitor means a person entering a household who is not a resident of that household, even if the person is a family member of any of the residents of the household.

CHAPTER 3. FACIAL COVERINGS

Facial coverings (also known as "face masks") must be worn by all persons in Broward County as set forth herein, unless Section 3.B below provides a specific exception.

Facial coverings must comply with the CDC recommendations located at <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prevent-getting-sick/diy-cloth-face-coverings.html>. As explained by the CDC, facial coverings must snugly fit over the person's **nose and mouth** and should be made of multi-layer cloth or fabric. However, facial coverings may be adapted to accommodate certain groups of people in accordance with CDC recommendations. Plastic facial shields are not considered facial coverings and do **not** meet the facial covering requirements stated in this CEO.

Facial coverings and other disposable personal protective equipment such as masks and gloves must be discarded properly. Littering of facial coverings or other personal protective equipment is prohibited.

Even when facial coverings are worn, [Social Distancing](#) should be maintained to the maximum extent possible.

Where a particular activity falls within more than one provision below, the stricter facial covering requirements apply and govern.

Section 3.A. Facial Coverings Required

Facial coverings are required in many instances, as detailed below. However, even where not required, facial coverings are recommended to be worn at all times when near people who are not members of your household or family.

Section 3.A.1. When Away from Home and Social Distancing Cannot Be Consistently Maintained

All people in Broward County must wear a facial covering any time they are outside their residence if [Social Distancing](#) of at least 6 feet cannot be consistently maintained between persons not of the same household or family. For purposes of this rule, a person's residence includes their yard and extends to the edge of their residential property.

Example: You are not required to wear a facial covering while inside your own home or in your yard.

Example: You must wear a facial covering while walking on the sidewalk, in a park, on the beach, or visiting a friend, unless you are always at least 6 feet away from everyone not from your household or family.

Section 3.A.2. While at an Amenity

All people must wear facial coverings at all times when visiting or using an [Amenity](#), including while entering, exiting, and otherwise moving around within the [Amenity](#), unless [Social Distancing](#) from everyone not from your same household or family can be maintained **at all times**.

Section 3.A.3. While at an Establishment Other Than an Amenity

All people must wear facial coverings at all times when visiting or using Establishments other than Amenities. This includes while entering, exiting, and otherwise moving around within the [Establishment](#). This rule applies even when [Social Distancing](#) is maintained.

Example: You must wear a facial covering when entering, inside, moving within, or leaving a store, even if no one is within 6 feet of you.

Section 3.A.4. Workers in Any Establishment

All people working at an [Establishment](#) must wear facial coverings while working even when [Social Distancing](#) is also maintained. This requirement applies to all workers, including those involved in preparing, handling, or serving food.

Example: When you are working – for example at a store, a marina, or a restaurant – you must wear a facial covering even if no one is within 6 feet of you.

Section 3.A.5. Common Areas in Multi-Family Housing

All people visiting or using a [Common Area](#) of a multi-family housing development or residential facility, including in the reception area, hallways, and elevators, must wear a facial covering even when [Social Distancing](#) is maintained.

Example: You live in a condominium building and need to use the community laundry room. You must always wear a facial covering after leaving your unit, including while in the hallways, the elevator, and the laundry room, even if no one is within 6 feet of you.

Section 3.A.6. As Otherwise Ordered

Facial coverings are also required to the extent expressly required by any Executive Order of the Governor or this CEO, which may include additional facial covering requirements for [Specific Uses](#) as described in Chapters 11 through 31 below.

Section 3.B. Exceptions to the Facial Covering Requirements

Even when facial coverings are not required under this Chapter 3, individuals are strongly encouraged to wear facial coverings when [Social Distancing](#) between people of different households or families cannot be consistently maintained.

Section 3.B.1. Children Under Two Years of Age

Children under the age of 2 should not wear facial coverings according to [CDC Guidelines](#).

Section 3.B.2. Children in Licensed Childcare Facilities

Any child, regardless of age, while under the custody of a licensed childcare facility, including day care centers, is not required to wear a facial covering.

Section 3.B.3. Shortest Interval Where Practically Impossible to Receive a Good or Service While Wearing a Facial Covering

People are not required to wear a facial covering for the shortest practical period of time that the person's activity makes wearing a facial covering impossible (such as eating, drinking, or while receiving a facial grooming). This exception applies to both [Establishments](#) and to [Visitors](#) in private residences.

Example: When you go to a restaurant, you do not have to wear your facial covering only while you are actively eating or drinking. Facial coverings must be worn at all other times while in the restaurant, including while waiting to be seated, walking to the table, walking to the bathroom, waiting for your food or drink to arrive, and immediately upon finishing your food or drink.

Example: You are going to the spa and will be getting a facial. You do not need to wear a facial covering while receiving the facial, but you must wear a facial covering while you wait for your treatment, once the treatment is concluded, and while you are receiving treatment to a part of your body other than your face.

Section 3.B.4. Disability or Medical Condition

A person with a disability or medical condition that prevents the person from wearing a facial covering, or causes a person to be unable to remove a facial covering without assistance, should not wear a facial covering. However, an [Establishment](#) can refuse entry to a person not wearing a facial covering provided the [Establishment](#) complies with any applicable Americans with Disabilities Act (“ADA”) requirements.

Nothing in this Section 3.B.4 imposes any obligation on any [Establishment](#) to permit entry to people not wearing facial coverings.

Example: You wish to purchase groceries from a local store, but you suffer from a health condition that prevents you from wearing a facial covering. The store may choose to accommodate you (for example, by providing curbside delivery) or the store may choose to deny you entry if permitted by the ADA.

Section 3.B.5. Certain Health or Public Safety Officials

Healthcare, public health and safety, fire, electric utility workers, and other life safety personnel, while working in those capacities, are not required to comply with the facial covering requirements of this CEO because their respective agencies or employers determine the applicable personal protective equipment requirements.

Section 3.B.6. People Actively Engaged in Exercise

People are not required to wear a facial covering while actively exercising. Prior to commencing and immediately upon concluding an exercise activity, facial coverings must be worn.

Section 3.B.7. People in the Water

People should not wear a facial covering while swimming or physically in a body of water (such as a pool or the ocean), but they must maintain [Social Distancing](#) of at least 6 feet between people not of the same household or family to the maximum extent reasonably possible.

Section 3.B.8. Solitary Workers

People who are working anywhere other than at a retail Establishment, an Establishment serving food or alcohol, a personal services Establishment, an indoor amusement facility, or a gym or fitness center, are not required to wear a facial covering when there is no other person of a different household or family within 6 feet.

People who are the only person in a room are not required to wear a facial covering, provided that such room is not a Common Area or other shared space of the building or office space.

Example: You work at an accounting company in an office building. You do not need to wear a facial covering when you are alone inside your personal office. You also do not have to wear a facial covering, even if outside of your personal office, if no person from outside your household or family is within 6 feet of you, so long as you are not in a Common Area.

Section 3.B.9. Personal Residences and Limited Visitors

Residents never have to wear facial coverings within their personal residential property (indoors or outdoors). When there are no more than four (4) Visitors at the residential property, Visitors also do not have to wear facial coverings. If more than four (4) Visitors are present, then all Visitors must wear facial coverings if Visitors cannot consistently maintain 6 feet of Social Distancing between all Visitors and people from outside the Visitors' household.

Example: You decide to have a barbecue in your backyard and invite your friend Jane, her husband, and their son. You do not have to wear a facial covering because you are in your own home. Jane, her husband, and their son also do not have to wear facial coverings because only three Visitors are present.

Example: You invite 7 friends to your house for a backyard barbecue. Your friends must wear facial coverings (because 7 Visitors are present), unless they can consistently maintain 6 feet between themselves and people outside of their own household. You do not need to wear facial coverings because you are on your own residential property.

Even when facial coverings are not required, people are strongly encouraged to wear facial coverings if Social Distancing between people of different households cannot be consistently maintained.

CHAPTER 4. SOCIAL DISTANCING

Social Distancing means staying at least 6 feet away (in all directions) from any person who is from outside your household or family in accordance with CDC Guidelines. All people in Broward County must maintain Social Distancing whenever possible. Social Distancing is in addition to any other obligations stated in this CEO, including facial covering requirements.

Social Distancing requirements do not apply to members of the same household or family. As used in this CEO, “members of the same household or family” refers to people who are currently residing in the same home or their parents or children.

Regardless of whether facial coverings are required in a particular situation, Social Distancing should be maintained to the maximum extent possible.

Example: When waiting in line at a store, stay at least 6 feet away from the people waiting ahead, behind, and to the sides of you.

Example: When walking along a sidewalk or path and passing another person, maintain 6 feet of distance between you and the other person whenever possible.

CHAPTER 5. LIMITS ON GATHERINGS

Section 5.A. Gatherings in General

COVID-19 can spread easily in gatherings, and can be spread by asymptomatic people. The more people present at a gathering, particularly an indoor gathering or a gathering in a confined space, the greater the risk of significant COVID-19 spread. The proper use of facial coverings reduces but does not eliminate the risk of spread. The gathering limits stated below are not intended to indicate that Broward County believes gatherings of these sizes, particularly indoor gatherings, can be conducted without risk of COVID-19 spread.

All gatherings in Broward County must comply with the applicable requirements of this CEO. Broward County continuously monitors and evaluates the gating and other relevant metrics related to COVID-19 spread. If the metrics are favorable, the County will evaluate increasing the gathering limit size.

Section 5.B. 10-Person Limit on Size of Gatherings

Unless expressly permitted in this Chapter 5 or otherwise expressly permitted in this CEO, gatherings of more than 10 people are strictly prohibited.

Section 5.C. Gatherings Limits in or on Residential Property

Gatherings at a residential property must not exceed 10 people, but members of the household, their parents, and their minor children do not count toward the 10-person limit.

This rule applies equally to all residential property, whether single-family or multi-family, and whether the gathering is indoors or outdoors.

Example: A family of 6 invites 6 friends over for dinner. This is permitted and is not a violation, because the 10-person limit does not count the residents of the household.

Example: A household of 4 college students invites 12 fellow students over to study by the pool. This is not permitted and is a violation.

Example: You hold a birthday party for your son. In attendance will be yourself, your husband, and your son (all residing in the same household), your parents, your husband's parents, your stepson who does not live in the household but is 5 years old, and 10 of your closest friends. Although there are 18 people total at the gathering, the gathering is permitted because after you exclude household members, the parents of the household members, and the minor children of the household members, only 10 other Visitors are in attendance.

Section 5.D. Exceptions to Gathering Limits

The rule in Section 5.B (limiting the size of gatherings) does not apply in the following situations:

Section 5.D.1. Gatherings that Occur as Part of Regular Day-To-Day Activities and Operations of an Establishment

Gatherings that occur in the course of the regular day-to-day activities and operations of an Establishment are not subject to the 10-person gathering limit, but are subject to the capacity limitations in the applicable [Specific Use](#) requirements (Chapters 11 to 31 below).

Section 5.D.2. Outdoor Open-Air Events and Activities

Outdoor open-air events and activities are not subject to the 10-person gathering limit so long as the attendees consistently practice [Social Distancing](#) or the event is an [Organized Sports](#) event operated in accordance with Chapter 29 (Non-Professional Organized Sporting Events with Spectators).

Section 5.D.3. Indoor Park or Special Events

- (1) Indoor events at Parks in Broward County that have between 11 and 100 people are permitted so long as they comply with the requirements of Chapter 30 (Function Spaces) and any applicable Specific Use requirements. “Parks in Broward County” includes Regional, Specialty, Neighborhood Parks, Nature Centers, Natural Areas Parks, and municipal parks.
- (2) Any other indoor event that will exceed the 10-person gathering limit and is not an Organized Sport operated in compliance with Chapter 29 or subject to the exception stated in Section 5.D.1 may only operate pursuant to an approved operating plan. The proposed operating plan should be submitted to reopening@broward.org and must be approved in writing in advance by the Broward County Administrator.

CHAPTER 6. CURFEW

[Reserved.]

CHAPTER 7. REQUIRED SIGNAGE

All [Establishments](#) that conduct in-person transactions with the public, other than parks and beaches, must conspicuously display the signage required by this Chapter 7 as follows:

Section 7.A. Sign Specifications

All signage required by this Chapter 7 must comply with the following guidelines:

- (1) Placed conspicuously for easy visibility throughout the Establishment, including at all entry points (including entry between outdoor and indoor portions of the Establishment);
- (2) Each sign (including each language version of each sign) must be at least 8.5” x 11” in size and printed in color (unless impracticable); and
- (3) Posted in at least English, Creole, and Spanish language versions at the main entry point(s).

Section 7.B. Required Signs

All signs required by this Chapter 7 are available for high-resolution download at www.broward.org/CoronaVirus/Pages/EmergencyOrders.aspx.

Section 7.B.1. All Establishments Serving Food or Alcohol

All Establishments that serve food or alcohol must display the following:

- (1) Signage that is designated as “Restaurants and Food Establishments Required Signage.”
 - (a) English: <https://www.broward.org/CoronaVirus/Documents/COVID19-RestaurantSignage8x11-PI202074848.pdf>
 - (b) Spanish: <https://www.broward.org/CoronaVirus/Documents/COVID19-SpanishRestaurant.pdf>
 - (c) Creole: <https://www.broward.org/CoronaVirus/Documents/COVID19-Creole%20RT.pdf>
- (2) Signage to “Stop the Spread” and to exercise social responsibility (see <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/downloads/stop-the-spread-of-germs.pdf>).

Section 7.B.2. Most Other Establishments

All Establishments that conduct in-person transactions with the public, except for parks, beaches, and Establishments that serve food or alcohol (Establishments serving food or alcohol must comply with the signage requirements in Section 7.B.1 above), must display the following:

- (1) Signage that is designated as “All Commercial Establishments Required Signage.”
 - (a) English: <https://www.broward.org/CoronaVirus/Documents/COVID19-RetailSignage.pdf>
 - (b) Spanish: <https://www.broward.org/CoronaVirus/Documents/COVID19-Spanish-Retail.pdf>
 - (c) Creole: <https://www.broward.org/CoronaVirus/Documents/COVID19-Creole%20Retail.pdf>

- (2) Signage to “Stop the Spread” and to exercise social responsibility (see <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/downloads/stop-the-spread-of-germs.pdf>).

CHAPTER 8. RESPONSIBILITY FOR COMPLIANCE

Section 8.A. Individual Responsibility

Everyone should act responsibly to prevent further spread of COVID-19. People must practice [Social Distancing](#) and wear facial coverings whenever required by this CEO. Even when not expressly required by this CEO, people should take every measure to protect themselves and others from COVID-19, including practicing [Social Distancing](#) and wearing facial coverings whenever they are around people from outside their household or family.

Any person who tests positive for COVID-19, or who is experiencing symptoms associated with COVID-19 such as fever, cough, or shortness of breath (see <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/symptoms-testing/symptoms.html> for a list of possible symptoms), should self-isolate to the greatest extent possible and avoid contact with any other person. People who are, or may be, COVID-19 positive and people who are experiencing symptoms or are otherwise contagious should avoid visiting [Establishments](#) (including [Amenities](#)) except when medically necessary. Such people who live in close proximity to other people, whether in shared housing or multi-family housing developments, should also avoid use of [Common Areas](#) such as shared kitchens, laundry rooms, or recreational facilities.

Section 8.B. Responsibility Regarding Gatherings

Any person at any gathering in violation of the limitations in Chapter 5 of this CEO is individually liable for the violation and subject to all applicable civil and criminal penalties. Additionally, the owners, operators, and landlords of residential or commercial property are individually liable for any prohibited gathering that occurs on their property, regardless of whether such owners, operators, or landlords are in the residence or on site at the time of the violation. However, owners and landlords of a residential property that is under a lease with a contract term of 6 months or longer are not individually liable under this provision for gatherings taking place at the leased property.

Example: You are a residential property landlord and just entered into a lease agreement for one year. Your tenant decides to have a housewarming party and invite 30 of her closest friends. You are not liable for her actions because you are a residential property landlord with a lease term of at least 6 months. (If the lease were for a term of less than 6 months, then you could have been held liable.) Regardless of the length of the lease, your tenant and each of the 30 guests can be held liable for violating this CEO.

Section 8.C. Responsibility of Residential Property Residents

Section 8.C.1. For Facial Covering Requirements at Solely Residential Property

Residents of residential property are not individually liable for violations of the facial covering requirements by [Visitors](#), unless the residence is also functioning as an [Establishment](#).

Example: If you have a Visitor at your home who refuses to wear a required facial covering, the Visitor can be cited for violating the facial covering requirements, but you are not responsible for the Visitor's violation.

Section 8.C.2. For Facial Covering Requirements at Residential Property also Functioning as an Establishment

If the residence also functions as an [Establishment](#) that conducts in-person transactions with the public (such as a home-based business), the residential property is considered an [Establishment](#) during the times that in-person transactions are conducted and must ensure all people comply with all requirements of this CEO during all such times.

Example: You run an accounting business from your home. Any time you have customers at your home, you are responsible for ensuring compliance with the facial covering requirement by you and your customers.

Section 8.D. Responsibility of Establishments

All [Establishments](#) must ensure the employees and patrons of the [Establishment](#) comply with the requirements of this CEO, including the signage requirements, the facial covering requirements, and all the applicable [Specific Use](#) requirements.

All [Establishments](#) are responsible for ensuring all employees and patrons of their [Establishment](#) comply with the facial covering requirements of this CEO. No [Establishment](#) shall serve or transact business with any person or patron who is not complying with the facial covering requirements of this CEO.

Section 8.E. Commercial Property Responsibility for Signage Requirements

In addition to the responsibility of each individual [Establishment](#) to comply with the signage requirements of Chapter 7, owners, operators, and landlords of commercial property at which any restaurant or food [Establishment](#) is located must ensure compliance with the signage requirements stated in Chapter 7 specifically for restaurants or food [Establishments](#) operating on the property. Such owners, operators, and landlords must also ensure the required signage is conspicuously posted in any common areas of the property such as the main entrances, food courts, and hallways.

Example: At a large office building that has a restaurant entrance on the ground level, the building management must ensure the required signage is posted by the restaurant as required by Chapter 7, and the building management must post the required signage at the entrance to the office building.

CHAPTER 9. PENALTIES AND ENFORCEMENT

Section 9.A. Penalties – Civil and Criminal

Failure to comply with any of the requirements set forth in this CEO by any person or any [Establishment](#) is subject to enforcement by law enforcement, code enforcement officers, and any other personnel as provided under Florida law or the Broward County Code of Ordinances. Enforcement may be criminal and/or civil and may include misdemeanor charges with fines not to exceed \$500 per violation, imprisonment not to exceed 60 days, or both, or civil fines of up to \$1,000 per day per violation or fines of up to \$15,000 per violation for a knowing violation that is irreparable or irreversible in nature.

The collection of fines and penalties against individuals is currently suspended per Florida Governor Ron DeSantis' Executive Order 20-244, but citations will continue to be issued against individuals, and fines and penalties assessed against individuals may be collected upon expiration of the Governor's Executive Order.

Example: If Juan fails to wear a required facial covering, he can be civilly fined \$1,000, or charged with a misdemeanor and required to pay a criminal fine of \$500 and spend 60 days in jail. Juan could be fined up to \$15,000 for a knowing violation.

Example: If Bob's Bowling is cited for allowing patrons to bowl without wearing facial coverings, Bob's Bowling can be cited and issued a fine of \$1,000. If thereafter, Bob's Bowling again allows patrons to bowl without facial coverings, Bob's Bowling may be cited and fined up to \$15,000 for the second violation because it is knowing and irreparable/irreversible.

Section 9.B. Closures of Establishments

Section 9.B.1. Warning

[Establishments](#) operating in violation of this CEO will first receive a warning; but if a violation is irreparable or irreversible in nature, a citation may be immediately issued without a warning being first issued and the establishment must then close as provided in Section 9.B.2 below.

Section 9.B.2. Closures and Attestation

If, following receipt of a warning or a citation for any violation of this CEO, an [Establishment](#) operates in violation of any provision of this CEO, the [Establishment](#) will be cited for violating this CEO and must close immediately. Such [Establishment](#) may reopen only after:

- (1) A minimum of a twenty-four (24) hour period during which the Establishment must conduct a thorough review of this CEO and take all necessary measures to bring the Establishment into compliance with the requirements of this CEO;
- (2) Submitting to reopening@broward.org a fully executed attestation under penalty of perjury by the owner, general manager, or chief executive officer of the Establishment in the form located at www.broward.org/CoronaVirus/Documents/AttestationForm.pdf; and
- (3) Receipt of County's written acknowledgment of a valid executed attestation form.

Any reopening in violation of this Chapter 9, including reopening before the County acknowledges in writing its receipt of a valid executed attestation form, is a separate violation. The Establishment may be cited for each day it operates without complying with the requirements of this Section 9.B.2.

Section 9.B.3. Inspections

Any Establishment that receives a citation and is closed pursuant to Section 9.B.2 above must, within five (5) calendar days after reopening, submit to inspection by local code enforcement or law enforcement authorities to confirm the violation has been corrected.

Section 9.B.4. Subsequent Violations

If an Establishment is cited on more than one occasion, the required minimum closure period for each subsequent violation shall be extended by an additional seventy-two (72) hours (for example, first citation, minimum 24 hour closure; second citation, minimum 96 hour closure; third citation, minimum 168 hour closure; fourth citation, minimum 240 hour closure; etc.).

If multiple closure periods are imposed due to repeat violations, the required time periods for closure will run consecutively, not simultaneously. Repeat violations by the Establishment cited by the applicable code enforcement or law enforcement authority will be presumed to be a knowing violation subject to a fine of up to fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000).

Example: Rocio's Workout World is cited for not enforcing the facial covering requirements. This first-time violation requires it to close for 24 hours. Then Rocio's Workout World is cited a second time for not enforcing the social distancing requirements. This time the gym must close for an additional 72 hours, for a total of 96 hours. Each violation can also be cited for up to \$1,000 in fines (or \$15,000 for a knowing violation).

Section 9.C. Authority to Enforce

As permitted by any Florida Executive Order or applicable law, the Broward County Sheriff's Office, municipal law enforcement agencies, County and municipal code enforcement officers, and any other personnel as provided for in the Florida Statutes or the Broward County Code of Ordinances, may enforce the provisions of this CEO against any person or entity violating any provision of this CEO. The enforcement shall either be as a civil violation or as a criminal violation.

CHAPTER 10. OPERATIONS OF ESTABLISHMENTS

Section 10.A. Establishments Permitted to Operate

As required by Governor DeSantis' Executive Order 20-244, every [Establishment](#) in Broward County may open, provided the [Establishment](#) operates in full compliance with all applicable requirements of this CEO, including the following:

- (1) The facial covering requirements of Chapter 3 above;
- (2) The *General Requirements for All Establishments* set forth in Chapter 11 below; and
- (3) Any applicable [Specific Use](#) requirements in Chapters 11 through 31 below. An [Establishment](#) may have more than one [Specific Use](#) that it is operating within the Establishment, and each area of the [Establishment](#) that has a [Specific Use](#) must comply with the applicable requirements for that [Specific Use](#).

Example: A hotel may have a spa, a restaurant, and a gym, each of which are Specific Uses. The hotel must comply with the Specific Use requirements for hotels (Chapter 23); the hotel spa must comply with the Specific Use requirements for personal services (Chapter 14); the hotel restaurants must comply with the Specific Use requirements for Establishments Serving Food or Alcohol (Chapter 12); and the hotel gym must comply with the Specific Use requirements for gyms and fitness centers (Chapter 24).

By operating within Broward County, the owner or operator of each such [Establishment](#) consents to the entry of County and municipal law enforcement and code enforcement personnel into areas on the [Establishment's](#) property that are open to the public for the sole purpose of inspection to ensure compliance with this CEO and any applicable Broward County Emergency Order or Executive Order of the Governor.

Section 10.B. Establishments Not Permitted to Operate

[Reserved]

CHAPTER 11. ALL ESTABLISHMENTS WITH ON-SITE OPERATIONS

The following requirements apply only to those [Establishments](#) that have on-site operations involving in-person interactions, including in-person interactions between employees, with vendors or contractors, or with members of the public.

Each [Establishment](#) with on-site operations involving in-person interactions must comply with each of the requirements stated below.

Section 11.A. General Business Requirements

- (1) Ensure compliance with the [CDC Guidelines](#).

- (2) Ensure that employees, customers, and visitors comply with the facial covering requirements.
- (3) Ensure that employees, customers, and visitors practice [Social Distancing](#) to the maximum extent possible, even when facial coverings are worn, including by visually marking required separation distances (6 feet apart) for areas where there is any potential for people to congregate, such as in elevators, aisles, food counters, or lines to enter, check-in, or receive services or purchase goods.
- (4) Communicate clearly all plans and policies regarding personal protective equipment, [Social Distancing](#), and employee health monitoring to staff, customers, vendors, partners, and other interested parties. Take the time to answer any questions and concerns.

Section 11.B. Requirements Regarding Employees

- (1) Whenever feasible, allow employees to telework or establish a rotation or staggered schedule to reduce the number of employees working on site. Where telework is not possible, consider how the current workspace can be reconfigured by installing physical barriers, placing visual markers, and implementing other measures that allow for [Social Distancing](#).
- (2) To the extent possible, implement flexible sick leave policies and reiterate existing sick time and paid time-off policies to discourage employees from coming to work if they feel ill.
- (3) Develop a plan for monitoring employees' health, with a particular focus on COVID-19 symptoms, with the goal of preventing ill employees from working.
- (4) Limit the number of employees simultaneously using employee common areas like breakrooms to ensure [Social Distancing](#) of at least 6 feet between employees. If not possible, consider closing common areas.
- (5) Enforce the CDC's health and safety guidelines when employees return to work. Provide employee training on safety measures, including proper use of personal protective equipment and [Social Distancing](#).

Section 11.C. Positive Test Results

- (1) Establish contingency plans for the handling of a positive case of COVID-19 in the workplace. OSHA provides guidance on how to manage and isolate employees displaying COVID-19 symptoms (<https://www.osha.gov/coronavirus/safework>).
- (2) In addition to any action stated in the established contingency plans, in the event of a positive COVID-19 test result for any on-site employee or contractor, notify local health officials, staff, and customers (if possible) while maintaining confidentiality as required by HIPAA, the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), and other applicable laws. The

Florida Department of Health can be reached at (866) 779-6121 or by email to COVID-19@flhealth.gov.

- (3) Sanitize the affected portions and all common areas of the Establishment.
- (4) Develop or update an employee contact system (e.g., phone tree, social media, texting) so all staff can be reached quickly if there is a workplace COVID-19 exposure.

Section 11.D. Business Process Adaptions and Safety Requirements

- (1) Limit capacity of elevators and place proper markers in such elevators to ensure [Social Distancing](#).
- (2) Regularly sanitize high-contact touchpoints such as doors, stairwells, handles, light switches, elevator switches, etc.
- (3) Provide hand-sanitizing stations or supplies throughout the workplace.
- (4) Wherever possible, install physical barriers, such as sneeze guards and partitions, at cash registers, check-in stations, food pickup areas, and other areas where consistently maintaining [Social Distancing](#) of 6 feet is difficult.
- (5) Consider dedicated shopping hours or appointment times for the elderly, medically vulnerable, and health care workers.

Chapter 12. ALL ESTABLISHMENTS SERVING FOOD OR ALCOHOL

All Establishments that serve food and/or alcohol must comply with this CEO, including this Chapter 12, and the applicable [CDC Guidelines](#).

Section 12.A. Capacity Requirements

- (1) [Establishments](#) licensed to serve food may operate with an indoor occupancy of up to 100% of the maximum indoor occupancy **if** the [Establishment](#): (a) maintains 6 feet of distance between occupied tables at all times; (b) limits parties to no more than 6 people at a table at any one time (or no more than 10 people, if all those people are part of the same family or reside in the same household); and (c) ensures that people wear facial coverings at all times except when actively eating or drinking. Distancing requirements and table occupancy requirements do not apply to the extent they would preclude the [Establishment](#) from operating at an occupancy of at least 50% of their maximum indoor capacity, but [Social Distancing](#) should be maintained to the maximum extent possible.
- (2) [Establishments](#) that are not licensed to serve food must operate with an indoor occupancy of no more than 50% of the [Establishment's](#) indoor capacity.
- (3) Total combined occupancy of indoor and outdoor areas (“outdoor areas” means areas with exclusively open-air customer seating) shall not exceed existing total maximum occupancy

(100%) for the [Establishment](#). Nothing in this section precludes any municipality from modifying municipal regulations regarding outdoor seating capacity restrictions.

- (4) In determining the number of people in the indoor or outdoor areas for occupancy limitations, employees of the [Establishment](#) are not included.
- (5) Except as exempted pursuant to Section 12.A.1, there must be at least 6 feet of distance between occupied tables at all times. Parties must be limited to no more than 6 people at a table at any one time (or 10 people, if all people are from the same family or reside in the same household). (“Parties” refers to all people at a table.)
- (6) No more than 10 people may congregate at or near any [Establishment](#) subject to this Chapter 12 (e.g., at the entrance, exit, waiting area, or near restrooms), including food trucks, at any time. Any person in line must maintain at least 6 feet between people not of the same group. If more than 10 people are congregated around multiple food trucks, the food trucks must be separated by at least 50 yards.

Section 12.B. Operations Requirements

- (1) On-premises sale, service, and consumption of food and/or alcohol is prohibited between **midnight** and **5 a.m.** This subsection does not limit or prohibit operations other than on-premises dining (including, food preparation/cooking, facility cleaning, or food delivery/take-out services) between **midnight** and **5 a.m.** **This section is not being enforced at this time due to ongoing litigation.**
- (2) Sale of alcohol for off-site consumption, including for pick-up, take-out, drive-through, and delivery, is prohibited between **midnight** and **5 a.m.** **This section is not being enforced at this time due to ongoing litigation.**
- (3) Between **midnight** and **5 a.m.**, no person in Broward County may consume any alcoholic beverage in or upon any area available for use by the public, which includes beaches, beach boardwalks and other pedestrian areas, parks, streets, highways, sidewalks, parking lots and parking areas, and any public area that is immediately adjacent to an [Establishment](#) where alcoholic beverages are sold or dispensed.
- (4) Except to the extent prohibited by Section 12.B.2 above, drive-through, curbside take out, or delivery service may continue in accordance with Section 12.A.6 above, [CDC Guidelines](#), and this CEO, provided that [Social Distancing](#) of at least 6 feet between people not of the same household is maintained at all times and the patron(s) obtaining the food or beverage(s) immediately leave the [Establishment](#) upon receipt of the ordered items.
- (5) Bar counters, whether indoors or outdoors, may be open to seating by the public, but at least 6 feet must be maintained between parties (“parties” refers to all people at a table; parties may not exceed 6 people at any one time or 10 people, if all people are from the same family or reside in the same household). A plexiglass partition must be placed between patrons seated at a counter and any staff working on the other side of the counter.

- (6) All [Establishments](#) must restrict ordering and consumption of food or beverages by patrons for on-premises consumption to only while such patrons are seated at their assigned seat, except when the [Establishment](#) requires use of standing space to reach 50% occupancy, then the [Establishment](#) may permit standing at an assigned table or in an assigned area. If the [Establishment](#) requires use of standing space as provided herein, patrons must be in segregated groups of no more than 6 people that consistently maintain at least 6 feet of [Social Distancing](#) at the nearest point from any other patron or group of patrons. Patrons are not otherwise required to maintain 6 feet of [Social Distancing](#) when not consuming food or drinks provided that they are wearing facial coverings at all times.
- (7) People must wear facial coverings at all times including while standing, seated at a table, moving around the [Establishment](#), or on the dance floor as required by Chapter 3, Facial Coverings. People may only remove their facial covering for the shortest amount of time necessary to eat or drink, or as otherwise permitted in this CEO.
- (8) All [Establishments](#) subject to this Chapter, including bars and nightclubs, must conspicuously post the Restaurants and Food Establishments Required Signage in accordance with Chapter 7 of this CEO.
- (9) Ensure that ventilation systems operate properly to provide adequate air circulation in all parts of the facility and increase circulation of outdoor air as much as possible by opening windows and doors, using fans, or through other methods.
- (10) Provide physical guides, such as tape on floors or sidewalks, to ensure that customers remain at least 6 feet apart when in lines. Ensure customers practice [Social Distancing](#) while waiting for a table or to pick up food.
- (11) Games, including darts, arcade games, billiards, and other similar games, may operate provided that all other requirements of this Chapter 12 are complied with. While playing games, patrons are not permitted to consume food or drinks and must continue to adhere to the facial covering requirements outlined in Chapter 3 of this CEO. Child gaming and play spaces, including bounce houses, playgrounds, and ball pits, located in dining [Establishments](#) must remain closed.
- (12) All buffet-style food or salad bars must be served only by staff. Self-service buffets and salad bars are prohibited. Any rental of restaurant space for a private event must also comply with the [Function Spaces](#) limitations stated in Chapter 30 of this CEO.
- (13) Any performers providing live entertainment at the [Establishment](#) must maintain at least 10 feet of [Social Distancing](#) from patrons at all times.

Section 12.C. Safety Requirements

- (1) Employers must enforce the use of facial coverings by employees in accordance with this Chapter 12 and [Chapter 3](#) of this CEO. This includes the requirement that all staff must

wear facial coverings at all times. All employees handling, preparing, or serving food must wear facial coverings.

- (2) Conduct employee screening protocols pursuant to [CDC Guidelines](#) and in accordance with any applicable privacy laws and regulations. COVID-19 positive employees and employees with symptoms of COVID-19 (fever, cough, or shortness of breath, among others) should not report to work or, if they report, should immediately be sent home. COVID-19 positive employees must also be immediately sent home and not be allowed to return until they have complied with the [CDC Guidelines](#) regarding the duration of isolation.

CHAPTER 13. RETAIL ESTABLISHMENTS

Retail [Establishments](#) must comply with this CEO, including this Chapter 13, and all applicable [CDC Guidelines](#).

Section 13.A. Capacity Requirements

- (1) Retail [Establishments](#) may allow up to 50% of the [Establishment's](#) maximum occupancy provided [Social Distancing](#) is maintained. To the extent any such [Establishment](#) is subject to any other capacity or operational limitation by any state or local government authority, the [Establishment](#) must comply with the more stringent or restrictive limitation. Retail [Establishments](#) that were permitted to operate as essential services or essential businesses under the Governor's Executive Order 20-91 are not subject to the maximum occupancy limitation stated in this section.
- (2) Food courts, restaurants, and other [Establishments](#) licensed to serve food or alcohol in shopping malls must comply with the [Specific Use](#) requirements for Establishments Serving Food or Alcohol in [Chapter 12](#) of this CEO.

Section 13.B. Operations Requirements

- (1) [Establishments](#) must conspicuously post signage as required by [Chapter 7](#) of this CEO.
- (2) [Social Distancing](#) reminders to customers are required, including but not limited to [Social Distancing](#) "reminder" signs, personal stickers, floor decals, and audio or audible announcements. Signs must be conspicuously posted.
- (3) Establish one-way aisles and traffic patterns for [Social Distancing](#).
- (4) Encourage curbside, online, or call-in pickup and delivery service options to minimize contact and maintain Social Distancing.

CHAPTER 14. PERSONAL SERVICES

Personal Services [Establishments](#) include, but are not limited to, spas, hairdressers, barbers, cosmetologists, tattoo parlors, massage studios, and nail technicians. Personal Services

[Establishments](#) must comply with all applicable requirements of this CEO, including this Chapter 14, and applicable [CDC Guidelines](#).

Section 14.A. Operational Requirements

- (1) [Establishment](#) providing personal services must operate consistent with the [Frequently Asked Questions](#) issued by the Florida Department of Business & Professional Regulation.
- (2) [Establishments](#) providing personal services must also comply with the [Information for Barbershops, Cosmetology Salons, and Cosmetology Specialty Salons](#) issued by the Florida Department of Business & Professional Regulation.

Section 14.B. Capacity Requirements

Customers waiting for an appointment should be encouraged to wait in their cars or outside and to practice [Social Distancing](#). [Social Distancing](#) requirements do not apply to members of the same household.

Section 14.C. Safety Requirements

- (1) If there are partitions or walls that are solid (such as plexiglass, metal, or other solid non-fabric material) between each chair/workstation, then each chair/workstation can be used at any given time.
- (2) If there are no partitions or walls between each chair/workstation, the business must only use every other chair/workstation, or otherwise arrange seating, so that there is at least 6 feet of separation between occupied chairs/workstations to achieve [Social Distancing](#).
- (3) Employees must wear facial coverings. Customers or clients must wear facial coverings unless the service being provided precludes the wearing of a facial covering, in which case the customer or client must resume wearing a facial covering immediately after the service precluding the use of a facial covering has been provided.

CHAPTER 15. MOVIE THEATERS, AUDITORIUMS, PLAYHOUSES, CONCERT HALLS, AND PARI-MUTUEL ESTABLISHMENTS

Section 15.A. Types of Establishments

Movie theaters, auditoriums, playhouses, concert halls, and pari-mutuel Establishments are permitted to operate subject to compliance with this CEO, including this Chapter 15, the [Establishment's](#) operational plan required below, and all applicable [CDC Guidelines](#).

All [Establishments](#) subject to this Chapter must prepare an operational plan for COVID-19 mitigations, which plan must be available for inspection upon request by Broward County, any code enforcement officer, law enforcement officer, or member of the public. Any pari-mutuel Establishment must obtain written approval of its operational plan from the Broward County Administrator.

Section 15.B. Capacity Requirements

- (1) The number of customers inside the [Establishment](#) at a given time must be limited, excluding employees and representatives of third-party delivery companies, to a maximum of 50% of the [Establishment's](#) maximum occupancy.
- (2) Designated portions of the [Establishment](#) that operate as a food service [Establishment](#) or restaurant are not subject to the 50% capacity limitation stated in subsection (1) above and may operate at up to 100% capacity of the food service portion of the [Establishment](#) if that portion of the [Establishment](#) complies with all requirements of Chapter 12 of this CEO.
- (3) [Establishments](#) must have at least one staff member whose primary responsibility is monitoring the facility for compliance with capacity, [CDC Guidelines](#), and [Social Distancing](#).

Section 15.C. Operations Requirements

- (1) Patrons must follow [Social Distancing](#) requirements, except for persons within the same group.
- (2) For all drive-in movie theaters (pop-up or fixed location), automobiles must be spaced at least 10 feet apart, with appropriate signage posted notifying patrons of the spacing requirement.

CHAPTER 16. COMMUNITY ROOMS, FITNESS CENTERS, AND GYMS IN HOUSING DEVELOPMENTS

No community room, fitness center, or gym is required to open if the housing development does not wish to do so or believes it cannot do so safely and in full compliance with the requirements of this CEO, including this Chapter 16.

Community rooms, fitness centers, and gyms in housing developments must comply with this CEO, including this Chapter 16, and comply with all applicable [CDC Guidelines](#).

Section 16.A. Capacity Requirements

- (1) Community rooms, fitness centers, and gyms in housing developments are limited to 50% of their maximum occupancy.
- (2) Community rooms, fitness centers, and gyms must be limited to residents of the housing development, their families, and guests. To the extent a community room is being used as a [Function Space](#), such community room may be open to people other than residents, their families, and their guests, provided the community room complies with the requirements in Chapter 30 of this CEO.
- (3) [Social Distancing](#) requirements of [Chapter 4](#) must be adhered to at all times in community rooms, fitness centers, and gyms. [Social Distancing](#) requirements do not apply to members of the same household or family.

- (4) Exercise machines, equipment, and tables must be rearranged and/or closed for use to ensure at least 6 feet of distance between patrons using such machines, equipment, or tables.
- (5) No multi-player games (e.g., mahjong, poker, etc.) are permitted in the community rooms between persons who are not from the same household or family unless all participants wear facial coverings regardless of [Social Distancing](#).
- (6) Hot tubs may operate. Steam rooms must remain closed.

Section 16.B. Safety Requirements

- (1) Facial coverings are required at all times in community rooms, fitness centers, and gyms except while in a shower or swimming pool or while actively exercising. Facial coverings are required while entering, exiting, or moving within a gym, fitness center, or swimming pool, and must be worn prior to commencing and immediately upon concluding an exercise activity, swim, or shower.

CHAPTER 17. MUSEUMS

Museums must comply with this CEO, including this Chapter 17, and all applicable [CDC Guidelines](#).

Section 17.A. Capacity Requirements

- (1) Museums may operate at up to 50% occupancy provided [Social Distancing](#) is maintained.
- (2) Designated portions of the [Establishment](#) that operate as a food service [Establishment](#) or restaurant are not subject to the 50% capacity limitation stated in subsection (1) above and may operate at up to 100% capacity of the food service portion of the [Establishment](#) if that portion of the [Establishment](#) complies with all requirements of Chapter 12 of this CEO.
- (3) Gift shops and other on-site retail capacity must be limited to 50% maximum occupancy and must comply with the Retail Establishments [Specific Use](#) requirements in Chapter 13 of this CEO.

Section 17.B. Safety Requirements

- (1) Redesign and restrict exhibition floorplans to comply with [Social Distancing](#).
- (2) Use floor decals to help visitors maintain [Social Distancing](#) and signs to regulate capacity per area.
- (3) Any rental of the facility for a private event must also comply with the [Function Space](#) limitations stated in Chapter 30 of this CEO.

CHAPTER 18. PARKS, AND RECREATIONAL FACILITIES OUTSIDE OF PARKS

[Reserved.]

Chapter 19. BOATING AND MARINE ACTIVITIES

[Reserved.]

CHAPTER 20. GOLF COURSES

[Reserved.]

CHAPTER 21. POOL DECKS, POOLS, AND OTHER RESIDENTIAL RECREATIONAL AMENITIES IN HOUSING DEVELOPMENTS

[Reserved.]

CHAPTER 22. PUBLIC COMMUNITY POOLS AND PRIVATE CLUB POOLS

[Reserved.]

CHAPTER 23. HOTELS, MOTELS, AND COMMERCIAL LODGING ESTABLISHMENTS

Hotels, motels, and commercial lodging [Establishments](#) must comply with this CEO, including this Chapter 23, and all applicable [CDC Guidelines](#).

Section 23.A. Operations Requirements

- (1) Ballrooms and other function spaces must comply with the [Specific Use](#) requirements of Chapter 30 of this CEO.
- (2) Guests must wear facial coverings in check-in areas, elevators, and all other common spaces and as otherwise required by [Chapter 3](#) of this CEO, Facial Coverings. Facial coverings are not required to be worn by guests in their own rented rooms. Hotels, motels, or commercial lodging [Establishments](#) must ensure that the facial covering requirements applicable to each [Specific Use](#) area at the [Establishment](#) (such as restaurants, golf pro shops, and gyms and fitness centers) are followed.
- (3) [Establishments](#) must impose capacity limits for common areas to ensure compliance with [Social Distancing](#) requirements.
- (4) [Establishments](#) must maintain records of guest registration, staff work assignments, and facility usage for a minimum of 60 days to enable contact tracing. This includes maintaining guest registration records, employee work assignments, documentation of key control procedures including the electronic lock records, and security camera closed circuit tapes/files.

Section 23.B. Check-in/Check-out

- (1) Areas in front of the reception desk must be marked at 6-foot intervals to ensure guests maintain [Social Distancing](#) while waiting.

- (2) [Social Distancing](#) requirements must be posted at all elevators. Areas in front of the first-floor elevator must be marked to ensure guests maintain [Social Distancing](#) while waiting.
- (3) The number of guests on elevators must be limited to maintain [Social Distancing](#) requirements, unless all of the users are from the same household or family.
- (4) All [Establishments](#) must provide local COVID-19 guidance for guests. Broward County has a dedicated webpage that includes local information at broward.org/coronavirus.
- (5) Clearly designated entrances and exits should be used to maintain [Social Distancing](#) when possible.

Section 23.C. Food Services

- (1) Dine-in restaurants are permitted to operate, but must do so in full compliance with the Restaurants and Food Establishments [Specific Use](#) requirements in [Chapter 12](#) of this CEO and in compliance with [Chapter 11](#).
- (2) Room service: Employees delivering and collecting items served to a room must wear facial coverings. Food delivery to rooms must be done in a contactless method (such as room service to guests' doors), unless accommodations must be made for compliance with ADA requirements.
- (3) Encourage guests to use pick-up for restaurant orders.

Section 23.D. Amenities

All [Amenities](#) must comply with the [Specific Use](#) requirements for that [Specific Use](#) as stated in Chapters 12 through 30 of this CEO, including gyms and fitness centers, pools, beaches, personal services, and marine activities. Additionally, the following Amenities are subject to the following additional requirements:

- (1) Bellhop and Valet Service
 - (a) Bellhop staff and Valets must wear a facial covering while performing the requested service.
 - (b) Luggage should be delivered either before or after guests arrive to their room.
- (2) Courtesy Shuttles
 - (a) Ensure compliance with [Social Distancing](#) requirements by limiting capacity of the vehicle consistent with the [CDC Guidelines](#). People in the same household or family are not required to comply with [Social Distancing](#) requirements.
 - (b) Riders and drivers of the courtesy shuttles must wear facial coverings at all time while in the shuttle.

- (3) Business Centers
 - (a) Computers and other technology and machines must be appropriately spaced to allow [Social Distancing](#).
 - (b) Staff must periodically monitor the business center to ensure compliance with the applicable requirements.

Section 23.E. Safety Requirements

- (1) Guest Rooms
 - (a) Staff must wear facial coverings when cleaning guest rooms and at all times when in a guest room.
 - (b) After a room has been cleaned, guest rooms may not be entered by any person until the next guest arrives.
 - (c) For the duration of the guest stay, guest room housekeeping must be limited or only by-request.

CHAPTER 24. COMMERCIAL GYMS AND FITNESS CENTERS

Commercial gyms and fitness centers, including, but not limited to, dance studios, martial arts studios, yoga studios, spinning studios, ice rinks, personal training services, and similar [Establishments](#), must comply with all applicable provisions of this CEO, including this Chapter 24, and all applicable [CDC Guidelines](#).

In addition to [Social Distancing](#), patrons must wear facial coverings at all times, except while in a pre-swim shower or swimming pool or while actively exercising. Facial covering requirements apply when entering, exiting, or moving within an [Establishment](#). [Social Distancing](#) of at least 6 feet must be maintained at all times.

Section 24.A. Occupancy and Access

- (1) Monitor building occupancy and restrict customer access to no more than 50% of the building's maximum occupancy.
- (2) Whenever possible, designate different entrance and exit points to encourage [Social Distancing](#).

Section 24.B. Safety Requirements

- (1) [Social Distancing](#) markers should be placed in front of the reception/membership desk and all other appropriate areas.
- (2) Equipment stations must be appropriately distanced. There must be at least 6 feet between each piece of cardiovascular equipment or exercise station.

- (3) The number of people attending fitness classes must be limited to ensure [Social Distancing](#) of at least 6 feet between persons in all directions is maintained. Markers must be placed to indicate the appropriate distance.
- (4) Class sizes for aquatic programs and classes must be limited to meet the 6-foot distance requirement; in lap lanes, the 6-foot requirement is deemed met while actively swimming laps provided no more than one person is using a lane at any time. Lap lane sharing for swimming is prohibited except by members of the same household or family or if lanes are used as part of an [Organized Sport](#).
- (5) [Social Distancing](#) between people engaged in any physical activity should be measured from head to head.
- (6) Disinfecting wipes must be available throughout the facility and patrons must sanitize each machine after use.
- (7) During daily operation, routinely clean and disinfect surfaces, particularly high-touch surfaces

Section 24.C. Operations Requirements

- (1) Patrons must have their temperature taken upon entrance. This includes any children exercising or entering a child-care program. Any patron with a temperature above 100.4 degrees Fahrenheit or who appears to have flu-like symptoms or other symptoms related to COVID-19 must be denied entry to the facility.
- (2) Employees must wear facial coverings, and have temperature checked at the facility prior to beginning work each day. Any employee with a temperature above 100.4 degrees Fahrenheit or who appears to have flu-like symptoms or other symptoms related to COVID-19 upon arrival at work, or who becomes sick during the day, must immediately be separated from other employees, customers, and visitors, and sent home.
- (3) Open windows where feasible to improve ventilation in the facility.
- (4) Saunas and steam rooms must remain closed.

CHAPTER 25. BEACHES

[Reserved.]

CHAPTER 26. YOUTH ACTIVITIES AND AFTER-SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

Organized youth activities, including youth sports teams and leagues, youth clubs and programs, summer camps, and after-school activities must comply with all applicable requirements of this CEO, including this Chapter 26, and applicable [CDC Guidelines](#). All youth activities and after-school activities that operate in a Park in Broward County must also comply with the applicable [Specific Use](#) requirements for Parks in Broward County in [Chapter 18](#) of this CEO

while at the park and any additional requirements imposed by the owner or operator of such park. If the after-school activity or organized youth activity is an [Organized Sporting](#) event with spectators, the [Organized Sporting](#) event must also comply with Chapter 29 of this CEO.

Section 26.A. General Requirements

- (1) All persons, including children and staff, must have their temperature checked prior to entering the Establishment each day. Any employee with a temperature above 100.4 degrees Fahrenheit or who appears to have flu-like symptoms or other symptoms related to COVID-19 upon arrival at work, or who becomes sick during the day, must immediately be separated from other employees, customers, and visitors, and sent home.
- (2) Maintain visitor logs and attendance records for the previous 60-day period of campers and participants to facilitate contact tracing if necessary.
- (3) Facial coverings must be worn by all staff, participants, and parents (to the extent present on-site) in accordance with [Chapter 3](#) of this CEO. Appropriate accommodations should be made for preschool children and children with disabilities or special needs. Facial coverings must comply with the applicable provisions of [Chapter 3](#) of this CEO.
- (4) Gyms and fitness centers must follow all applicable [Specific Use](#) requirements for Gyms and Fitness Centers in [Chapter 24](#) of this CEO.
- (5) Pools must follow all applicable [Specific Use](#) requirements (Community Rooms, Fitness Centers, and Gyms in Housing Developments, and/or Public Community Pools and Private Club Pools) as outlined in [Chapter 16](#), [Chapter 22](#), and [Chapter 24](#) of this CEO.

Section 26.B. CDC’s “Considerations for Youth and After-School Activities”

Youth activities and after-school activities, including summer camps, should comply with the guidance from the CDC regarding the operation of schools, youth sports, and summer camps, to the extent applicable to the activities being conducted at the Establishment. CDC guidance is available at:

- Operating Schools During COVID-19: CDC’s Considerations: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/schools-childcare/schools.html>
- Suggestions for Youth and Summer Camps: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/schools-childcare/summer-camps.html>
- Considerations for Youth Sports Administrators: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/schools-childcare/youth-sports.html>

In accordance with the CDC Guidelines, outdoor activities should be prioritized.

CHAPTER 27. BOWLING ALLEYS, ARCADES, AND INDOOR AMUSEMENT FACILITIES

This chapter includes requirements for amusement facilities and [Establishments](#) including bowling alleys, arcades, indoor mini-golf, laser tag, trampolines, and similar amusement facilities, but does not include amusement parks which, to operate, must obtain the approval of the State of Florida pursuant to the Governor's [Executive Order 20-123](#).

Bowling alleys, arcades, and indoor amusement facilities must comply with all applicable provisions of this Chapter 27.

Section 27.A. Capacity Requirements

- (1) The number of customers inside the [Establishment](#) at a given time must be limited, excluding employees and representatives of third-party delivery companies, to a maximum of 50% of the [Establishment's](#) maximum occupancy.
- (2) Designated portions of the [Establishment](#) that operate as food [Establishments](#) or restaurant are not subject to the 50% capacity limitation stated in subsection (1) above and may operate at up to 100% capacity of the food service portion of the [Establishment](#) if that portion of the [Establishment](#) complies with all requirements of Chapter 12 of this CEO.
- (3) [Establishments](#) must have at least one staff member whose primary responsibility is monitoring the facility for compliance with capacity, [CDC Guidelines](#), and [Social Distancing](#).

Section 27.B. Operations Requirements

- (1) The following portions of these [Establishments](#) must remain closed: amusement rides and fixed or stationary playground equipment (such as slides, swings, bounce houses, and monkey bars, ropes courses, and indoor playgrounds).
- (2) Each [Establishment](#) must create, implement, and enforce a safe operating plan specific to its facility. This plan must be made available to Broward County, code [enforcement officers, law enforcement, and](#) customers upon request.
- (3) All persons in the [Establishments](#) must comply with the facial covering requirements, and maintain [Social Distancing](#) whenever possible.
- (4) Bowling [Establishments](#) must maintain one empty lane between occupied lanes at all times, unless the adjacent lanes are utilized only by members of the same group. No groups larger than 10 people are permitted. A maximum of 6 people per lane is permitted.

CHAPTER 28. SHORT-TERM VACATION RENTALS

All vacations rentals must comply with the following:

Section 28.A. Operations Requirements

- (1) Rentals must comply with all State and local emergency orders.
- (2) The vacation rental owner/operator must provide the physical address of the vacation rental and the name, phone number, and email address for the owner/operator to reopening@broward.org.
- (3) Review and implement a record keeping process to maintain records of guests and staff movement. These records should be kept for a minimum of 60 days. Maintain records that will help you trace who has been in contact with any identified infected individuals that have stayed at your property. This includes, as applicable, maintaining guest registration records, employee work assignments, documentation of key control procedures and security camera files.
- (4) Reservations must be terminated immediately if the property is used for parties and other large gatherings that violate state and local emergency orders related to COVID-19.
- (5) All properties must provide local COVID-19 guidance for guests. Broward County has a dedicated webpage that includes local information at broward.org/coronavirus.

Section 28.B. General Business Requirements

- (1) All rentals will be subject to Broward County's General Business Requirements of [Section 11.A](#) of this CEO.
- (2) Remote check-ins should be made available when possible to cut down on face-to-face interactions.
- (3) [CDC resources](#) must be provided to any guest while staying on property. These resources are available in multiple languages at the CDC website.
- (4) [CDC guidance](#) must be provided to guests traveling with pets and service/assistance animals if the property is pet friendly.
- (5) Employees or contractors working in short-term rentals must be provided [CDC related safety guidance](#) to minimize the transmission of the virus and provide further protection for employees and guests.

Section 28.C. Safety Requirements

- (1) If multiple members of the cleaning and/or rental staff are present at a property, they should maintain at least 6 feet of distance between each other at all times and wear facial coverings.
- (2) The number of guests on elevators must be limited to maintain [Social Distancing](#) requirements, unless all of the users are from the same household or family.

Section 28.D. Occupancy and Use Limitations

- (1) Occupancy and use of vacation rentals must be limited at all times to the number of guests listed on the vacation rental reservation. The property owner or property manager must keep a list of the number and the names of the guests that will be staying at the property. Only those persons on the list, and any guests approved in writing by the property owner or property manager, may utilize the property. The person responsible for the vacation rental reservation and the person named on the vacation rental reservation must ensure compliance by all guests with all requirements of this CEO.
- (2) The total persons at any vacation rental at any time, inclusive of guests, must be limited to no more than 10 people, but members of the same household, their parents, and their minor children do not count toward the 10-person limit, as set forth in Section 5.C.
- (3) Property owners and managers must ensure compliance with these limitations, including through periodic monitoring.

Section 28.E. Pools and Beaches and other Amenities

Use and access of all Amenities, such as gyms and community rooms, must comply with the applicable Specific Use requirements from Chapters 12 through 30.

Section 28.F. Case Notification

- (1) At minimum, confirmed cases of COVID-19 must be immediately reported to [local authorities](#) in accordance with appropriate actions recommended by the [CDC](#).

CHAPTER 29. NON-PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZED SPORTING EVENTS WITH SPECTATORS

Venues hosting non-professional [Organized Sport](#) events with spectators must comply with all applicable requirements of this CEO, including this Chapter 29, and applicable [CDC Guidelines](#). **This Chapter 29 does not apply to venues hosting professional sporting events.**

Section 29.A. Operations Requirements

- (1) Venues hosting non-professional sporting events with spectators must have operational plans that, at a minimum, outline the seating charts and circulation patterns for the venue. The operational plans must be approved in writing by the governing body of the athletic league or [Organized Sport](#). The operational plans must be made available upon request by Broward County, a code enforcement or law enforcement authority, or any member of the public.
- (2) All ticketing must be pre-sale.
- (3) Waiting lines must be appropriately marked to promote [Social Distancing](#) of at least 6 feet in all directions.
- (4) Bleacher seating must be marked to ensure 6 feet of [Social Distancing](#).

- (5) The venue must operate at no more than 25% of its seating capacity for indoor portions of the Establishment, and at no more than 50% of its seating capacity for outdoor portions of the Establishment.
- (6) To the maximum extent possible, pedestrian flow must be in one-way circulation patterns.
- (7) Groups of more than 10 people are prohibited.
- (8) Dedicated staff or other individual(s) designated by the venue must ensure compliance with the 6-foot [Social Distancing](#) requirements and facial covering requirements.
- (9) Spectators and event personnel, including concessionaires but excluding referees, must wear facial coverings at all times in accordance with Chapter 3 of this CEO. Referees must wear facial coverings at all times except while actively officiating an [Organized Sporting](#) event.
- (10) Individuals actively participating in an [Organized Sporting](#) event (e.g., players and referees) are exempt from facial covering requirements, but only as expressly stated in Chapter 3 of this CEO.
- (11) If food and beverage service will be available at the event, such service must be in a concession area separate from the stands, bleachers, and seats. Non-cash transactions should be encouraged. If food and beverage service is available, consumption of such foods and beverages must be at a designated area. There shall be no consumption of food or beverages in the stands, bleachers, or seats.
- (12) All food service operations, including seating areas and concession areas, must comply with the [Specific Use](#) requirements in Chapter 12 of this CEO. Designated portions of the venue that operate as food [Establishments](#) or restaurants are not subject to the seating limitations stated in subsection (5) above and may operate at up to 100% capacity of the food service portion of the venue if that portion of the venue complies with all requirements of Chapter 12 of this CEO.
- (13) If smoking is permitted, smoking must be limited to a designated area(s) and 10 feet of Social Distancing must be maintained at all times between members of different groups.

CHAPTER 30. FUNCTION SPACES

Ballrooms, banquet halls, catering halls, and other [Establishments](#) operating [Function Spaces](#) (indoor and outdoor) must comply with all applicable requirements of this CEO, including this Chapter 30, and applicable [CDC Guidelines](#).

Section 30.A. Capacity Requirements

- (1) [Function Spaces](#) may operate at the greater of (a) up to 50% maximum capacity, or (b) 100-person maximum, except as provided in subsection (2) below.

- (2) [Function Spaces](#) licensed to serve food may operate in compliance with the capacity requirements of Chapter 12 (All Establishments Serving Food or Alcohol).

Section 30.B. Operations Requirements

- (1) Each event held at or in a [Function Space](#) that is expected to be attended by 10 or more people must have a designated monitor to ensure compliance with the requirements of this CEO, including this Chapter 30 and facial covering requirements.
- (2) [Function Spaces](#) wishing to hold or host any events must enter into a contractual agreement with the customer wishing to have an event at the [Function Space](#). Such agreement must, at a minimum, meet the following requirements:
 - (a) The contract between the [Function Space](#) and the customer must outline all applicable requirements of this CEO, including [Social Distancing](#) and facial covering requirements.
 - (b) The contract must clearly state that for purposes of the contract and this CEO, the word “household” refers to a group of persons that are residing together in the same home and not just persons that are of the same family but do not live together.
 - (c) Upon entering into a contract, the customer booking the [Function Space](#) must be provided with a copy of Chapter 1, Chapter 2, and Chapter 30 of this CEO.
 - (d) The contract between the [Function Space](#) and the customer must clearly state that failure to abide by all applicable requirements of this CEO in connection with the event will immediately result in the event being suspended by the operator of the [Function Space](#), and all those in violation of the CEO will be immediately removed from the premises.
- (3) All guests must have pre-assigned tables. Guests should be informed of their assigned table prior to the event in order to avoid the need for table cards. In the event table cards are needed, the tables where the table cards are located must be spread out to the fullest extent needed to prevent crowding.
- (4) Food and drinks may only be consumed while customers are seated at their assigned tables.
- (5) Food and drinks must be served by [Function Space](#) staff. No self-service buffets, family-style meals, or passed hors d’oeuvres are allowed.
- (6) Guests must wear facial coverings in accordance with Chapter 3 of this CEO, which requires guests to wear facial coverings at all times except for the shortest practicable period of time when actively eating or drinking. Guests do not have to wear facial coverings for the shortest practicable period of time required to take a photograph, provided that facial coverings are worn immediately before and after the picture has been taken. Staff working the event must wear facial coverings at all times.

- (7) All indoor activities that encourage people to congregate should be avoided (e.g., bouquet or garter toss).
- (8) During Cocktail hours or receptions, guests must be seated at their assigned tables, including while ordering and consuming food and drinks.
- (9) Performers providing live entertainment at the [Function Space](#) must maintain at least 10 feet of distancing from guests at all times.
- (10) HVAC air filters should be cleaned or replaced at least monthly to maximize clean air.

Section 30.C. Signage Requirements

[Function Spaces](#) must post the signage required by Chapter 7. If the [Function Space](#) will serve food or alcohol, the signage designated “Restaurants and Food Establishments Required Signage” must be posted in addition to the signage designated “All Commercial Establishments Required Signage.” The required signage is available at <https://www.broward.org/CoronaVirus/Pages/EmergencyOrders.aspx>.

CHAPTER 31. SCHOOLS

Section 31.A. Requirements that Do Not Apply to Schools

Schools are not “[Establishments](#)” and therefore are not subject to the requirements and guidelines imposed on [Establishments](#), including requirements regarding facial coverings and gathering limitations. However, the use of facial coverings and the limitation of gatherings are encouraged.

Schools that are not operated by or under the jurisdiction of The School Board of Broward County, such as private or religious schools, are encouraged to develop, and operate in accordance with, a reopening plan that complies with [CDC Guidelines](#).

Section 31.B. Applicable Requirements for Schools

All extracurricular and/or non-academic activities of schools operating in Broward County must comply with the requirements of this Section 31.B and Chapter 26 (but not any other Chapters referenced in Chapter 26). To the extent the extracurricular or non-academic activity is a non-professional [Organized Sporting](#) event with spectators, compliance with Chapter 29 of this CEO is required. This section applies to after-school activities of schools such as [Organized Sports](#) or clubs, but does not apply to extracurricular courses, as defined by Section 1003.01(15), Florida Statutes, or to disciplinary activities of schools. All activities should comply with the CDC’s “Considerations for Schools,” which are available at <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/schools-childcare/schools.html>.

CHAPTER 32. BROWARD COUNTY GOVERNMENTAL MEETINGS

To limit the risk of additional community spread of COVID-19, meetings of Broward County boards and committees, including the Broward County Board of County Commissioners (“County Commission”), will be conducted in a manner that promotes social distancing while ensuring public access. The public notice of the particular meeting of the board or committee will provide

information on how to view or attend the meeting and comment on an item being considered at the meeting.

Beginning on May 4, 2020, meetings of the County Commission will be conducted according to the following procedures:

- (1) The public will continue to be able to participate in meetings of the County Commission by telephone. In addition, the public will be able to participate in meetings of the County Commission in person as set forth below.
- (2) Persons who wish to speak on an item, whether in person or by telephone, must register in advance.
- (3) All members of the public attending a County Commission meeting in person must wear a facial covering at all times, including while speaking. Any person who does not wish to, or cannot, wear a facial covering will not be allowed to attend the meeting in person and may only participate remotely via the telephonic option.
- (4) Any person who fails to wear facial coverings or who removes their facial coverings in violation of these rules while in the County Commission chambers will be immediately escorted from the building.
- (5) In-Person Participation Procedure.
 - (a) Persons wishing to speak on an item in person may be required to wait in a designated area, where they will be able to listen to the County Commission meeting, until their item is called and it is their turn to speak.
 - (b) When an item is called, each person who is registered to speak will be provided an opportunity to address the County Commission.
 - (c) Upon completing their remarks, speakers may be required to exit the County Commission chambers, dependent upon the number of individuals registered to speak. Individuals who wish to continue to listen to the County Commission meeting will be required to do so in a designated area as directed by County staff.
 - (d) Except for persons addressing the County Commission in person in accordance with these procedures, only members of the County Commission and specific additional persons whose presence is necessary for the meeting will be permitted in the County Commission chambers.

Full information on how to watch and participate in County Commission meetings, including how to submit a speaker request and guidelines for speaker presentations, is posted at <https://www.broward.org/Commission/Meetings/Pages/default.aspx>.

CHAPTER 33. APPLICABILITY

This CEO applies to incorporated and unincorporated areas within Broward County, but has no application outside of Broward County. The provisions of this CEO shall serve as minimum standards, and municipalities within Broward County may establish more stringent standards within their jurisdictions, to the extent permitted by law. Any provision(s) within this CEO that (i) conflict(s) with any state or federal law or constitutional provision, or (ii) conflict(s) with or are superseded by a current or subsequently-issued Executive Order of the Governor or the President of the United States solely to the extent such Executive Order (a) expressly preempts the substance of this CEO or (b) imposes stricter closures than set forth herein, shall be deemed inapplicable and deemed to be severed from this CEO, with the remainder of the CEO remaining intact and in full force and effect.

To the extent application of some or all of the provisions of this CEO is prohibited on the sovereign land of a federally or state recognized sovereign Indian tribe, such application is expressly excluded from this CEO.

Nothing in this CEO or any Broward County Emergency Order shall apply to an [Establishment](#) solely to the extent such [Establishment](#) is being utilized by a professional sports team to conduct or host a training, competition, event, or game in accordance with the Governor's Executive Order 20-123.

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