

COVID-19 in Alaska

Reopening Alaska: A measured approach



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State of Alaska Health Mandates



The Governor of Alaska has mandated:
ALL people arriving in Alaska,
whether resident, worker or visitor, are required to
self-quarantine for 14 days



It takes all of us working together to **prevent the spread of COVID-19**

By order of COVID-19 Health Mandate 010, effective March 25, 2020.
<https://gov.alaska.gov/home/covid19-healthmandates/>
Travel Declaration Form available at www.ready.alaska.gov/form

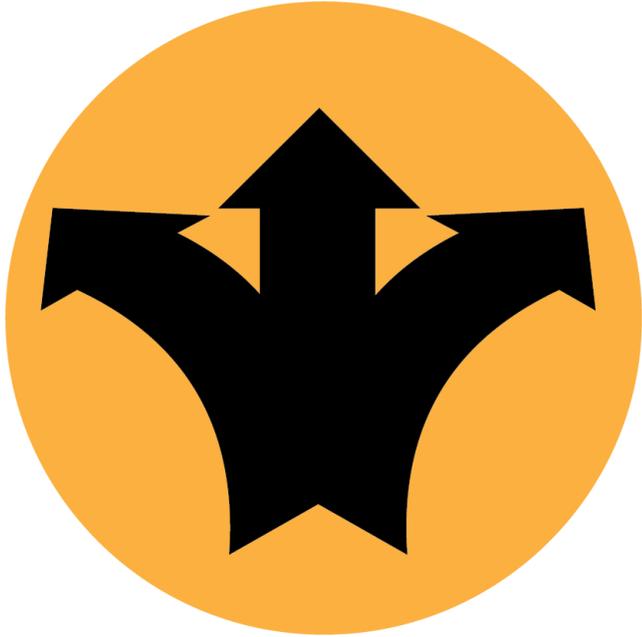
EXTENDED MANDATES

- **Health Mandate 10, International and Interstate Travel:** Extended until May 19 – evaluated weekly.
- **Health Mandate 11, Social Distancing:** Extended until further notice.
- **Health Mandate 12, Intrastate Travel:** Extended until further notice.

NEW MANDATES

- **Coming tomorrow.** Will address opening different sectors of Alaska's economy including restaurants, retail and non-essential businesses.

Reopening will be conditioned upon...



- A confidence that incidence of infection is genuinely low
- A surveillance system that is well functioning and capable of promptly detecting any increase in incidence
- A public health system that is reacting robustly to all cases of COVID-19 and has surge capacity to react to an increase in incidence
- A health system has the capacity in all respects, including inpatient beds, staffing, and other services, to handle all cases and that can rapidly scale up to deal with a surge in cases.

When we can lift advisories and mandates



GO: If we're seeing downward trends and all is going well, we'll methodically move to **lift restrictions**.



PROCEED WITH CAUTION: If the situation is stable or we are seeing a slow increase in cases, we may ask for **voluntary measures to flatten the curve**.



STOP: If we are seeing a consistent or rapid increase in cases or if we think we are running out of capacity to care for people with COVID-19 (regardless of the trend in cases), then we will need to **reimplement some restrictions**.

Different areas may follow different rules

- We can use geography to our advantage to prevent cases from spreading. Local authorities may choose stricter or more liberal rules depending on their unique situation.
- Different communities may implement different phases at different times. This will allow for more precise control of COVID-19.

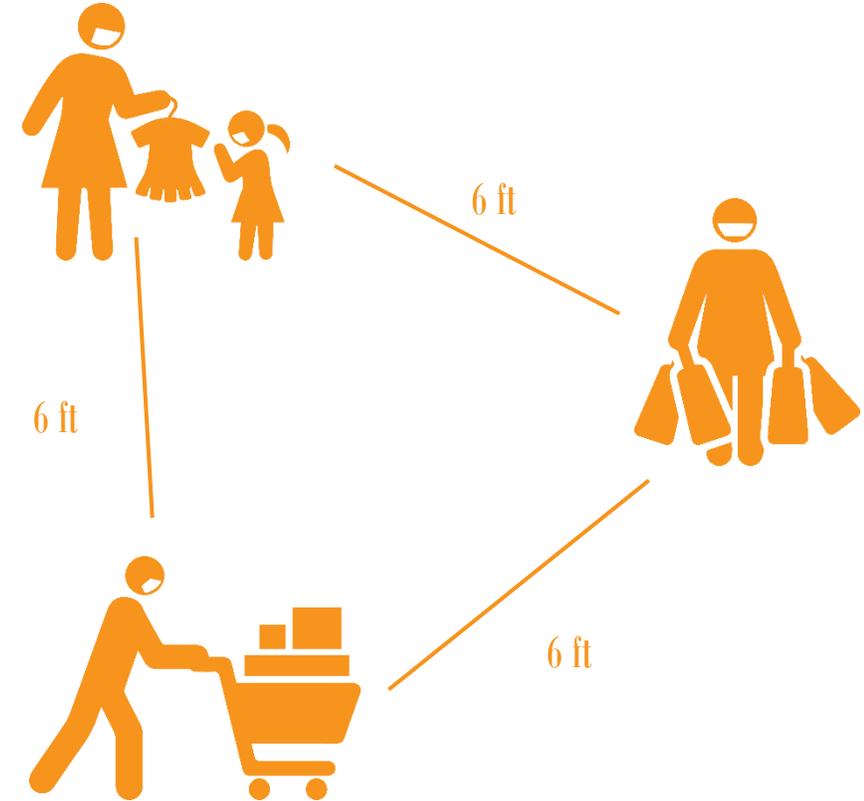
Phase I

- ❑ Most non-essential businesses reopen, with safeguards
- ❑ 25% capacity
- ❑ Social distancing, table spacing, no waiting rooms
- ❑ Bars, theaters, bowling alleys and bingo parlors not yet open

Retail Stores and non-essential businesses



- Maximum 25% capacity, one adult per household, social distancing
- Universal face coverings, sanitizer at entrance, hourly sanitization, staff screening.
- Non-entry methods of sale encouraged.
- Applies to businesses closed under Mandate 11 that weren't exempted by the Alaska Essential Services and Critical Workforce Order.

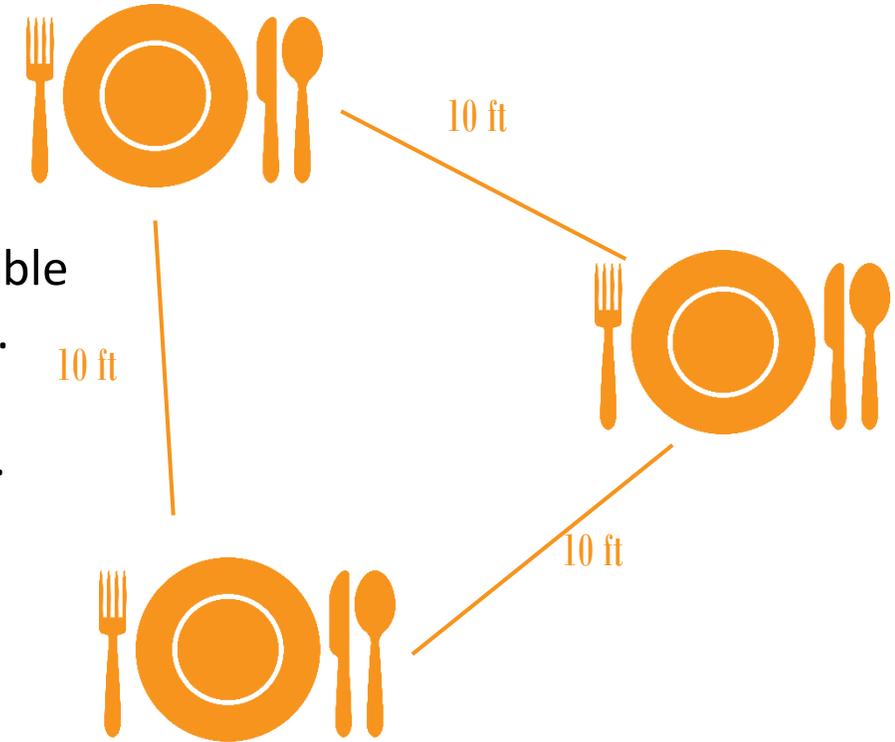


Six feet apart, 25% capacity, encouraging wearing of face masks

Restaurants



- Encourage take-out and systems that minimize contact
- Frequent handwashing and sanitation
- Restaurants may resume indoor and table service operations. Bars remain closed.
- Reservation only, staff face coverings, parties limited to household members.
- Indoors: household members only, maximum 25% capacity, and social distancing.
- Outdoors: household members only, maximum 20 tables, and social distancing.



**Tables will be 10 feet apart
25% capacity of regular seating**

Personal Services

One provider, one client, no waiting room

- Hair salons, day spas/esthetics locations, nail salons, barber shops, tattoo shops, body piercing locations, tanning facilities, rolfing, reiki.
- Requirements: reservation only, one customer per staff, universal face coverings, 6 feet between workstations, sanitizer at entrance, sanitization between customers
- Encourage cashless and no-receipt transactions.



Fishing Charters

- Single household unit or up to 25% capacity of mixed units



Gyms

- Gyms/fitness businesses may resume outdoor classes/training.
- **Indoor activities remain prohibited.**
- 10 feet of separation between each person, group of no more than 20.
- Screening of staff and patrons.



Social Distancing update

To allow for religious services, small weddings, funerals or other small gatherings

- Gatherings less than 20 people
- 6 feet of social distancing of non-household units



Next phases ...

