

APPENDIX D  
RESTAURANT, BAR, BREWERY, DISTILLERY AND CASINO REQUIREMENTS  
Proposed Changes 1/14/20

~~1.~~ **10 PM CLOSING TIME**

~~a. Establishments are required to close their doors and have all patrons out by 10 PM. Businesses may reopen after 4 AM.~~

~~2.1.~~ **CAPACITY**

~~a. Capacity in all restaurants, bars, breweries, distilleries, and casinos must be limited to 50% of normal operating capacity to allow for adequate group spacing. Capacity must be limited to the degree necessary to ensure customer groups maintain 6 feet from other customer groups.~~

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~~3.2.~~ **PHYSICAL DISTANCING**

~~a.b.~~ Tables, and seating, and gaming machines must be spaced so that seated customers will be at least 6 feet from other groups of seated customers. Back-to-back booth seating does not provide adequate separation.

~~b.c.~~ If waiting areas are in use, cCustomers must be able to maintain 6 feet of distance from other groups of customers in waiting areas.

~~c.~~ Available gambling machines must be spaced apart at least 7 feet on center, or be taken out of service.

~~4.3.~~ **SEATING**

a. Customers may not stand or mingle with customers from other groups or at other tables. All customers must be seated or be actively going to a table, the restroom or an exit.

b. No more than ~~6-8~~ people may be seated at a table together.

c. Bar or counter seating is allowed if customers are seated at least 6 feet from wells or taps, server stations, ice bins, food prep areas and other seated groups of customers.

i. A protective barrier that is at least 36 inches high can be installed to reduce the distance requirement, but it must provide 6 feet of droplet protection to wells or taps, server stations, ice bins, food prep areas and other seated groups of customers.

~~5.4.~~ **REQUIRED NOTICE TO PATRONS**

a. A sign must be posted at entrances that informs patrons of requirements including:

i. Refrain from entering if experiencing COVID-19 symptoms, and

ii. No mixing between tables or groups.

~~ii.b.~~ If the establishment serves alcohol, the sign at the entrance must include "Seated service only."

~~6.5.~~ **PRE-SHIFT HEALTH ASSESSMENTS**

a. Before each work shift, employees must be screened for symptoms associated with COVID-19.

- b. Employees exhibiting COVID-19 symptoms (even mild symptoms) are prohibited from working.

#### **7.6. GAMES AND ENTERTAINMENT**

- a. Equipment for bar games, such as shake-a-day, must be disinfected by staff between different users.
- b. Karaoke may be offered if the microphone can be disinfected between uses.
- c. Live entertainment is allowed if distance and all other requirements can be met through the duration of the performance.
- d. Dance floors must remain closed.
- e. Establishments are encouraged to lower music levels in order that patrons can converse without raising their voices or moving together to hear each other.

#### **8.7. CLEANING AND SANITIZING**

- a. Businesses must develop and implement a cleaning and sanitization plan that identifies common surfaces and ensures that they are cleaned and disinfected frequently with an approved disinfectant effective against COVID-19.
- b. Occupied surfaces, such as tables, bars, counters, chairs, barstools, booths, highchairs, and gambling machines, must be cleaned and disinfected between customers.
- c. Other commonly touched surfaces must be cleaned and sanitized at least every two hours.
- d. Items typically left on the table between customers, like condiments, menus, napkins, and décor, must either be removed from the tables or be cleaned and sanitized between customers.
- e. Reusable items, such as menus and coasters, must be sanitized between customers.
- f. Refillable or reusable containers (growlers, mugs, etc.) must be cleaned by the establishment before being refilled.

#### **9.8. FOOD AND DRINK SERVICE**

- a. Self-service buffets are prohibited.
- ~~b. Customers may order and pick up food and drinks at the counter or bar only if there is a clearly designated space located 6 feet away from other customers, wells, taps, and prep stations. Only one customer may use this space at a time, and they must immediately return to their table or seat once they pick up their order.~~
- ~~b.c. In establishments that serve alcohol, customers must order and be served at their tables.~~
- ~~c.d. Complimentary counter/bar foods, like peanuts and popcorn, are prohibited, unless they are served by employees to individual customers in clean or single-use individual containers.~~
- ~~d.e. \_\_\_\_\_~~ A clean, new cup or glass must be used for drink refills.

NOTE: These requirements are in addition to, and do not take the place of sanitation standards required by Montana state law and regulations relating to food safety.