EXECUTIVE ORDER

DISTRIBUT OF COLUMBIA

I. PURPOSE

Consistent with the ReOpen DC Advisory Group’s recommended four-phase approach to reopening, the District remains in Phase Two with some modifications. Complete copies of all related Mayor’s Orders are available for review at https://coronavirus.dc.gov/.

While the Metropolitan Police Department (MPD) will not be taking enforcement action against the public regarding the wearing of masks or face coverings, violations of social distancing requirements, or other violations of the Mayor’s Orders, members can encourage the public to adhere to the District’s guidelines to protect the health and well-being of everyone in the District and to slow the spread of the virus.

To the extent the provisions in this executive order conflict with directives previously issued, the provisions of this executive order shall prevail.

II. PROCEDURES

A. Summary of New and Updated Requirements

1. During Phase Two, when leaving their residence, individuals must continue to maintain a distance of at least six feet from persons not in their household, except when such a distance is impossible to maintain (e.g., when obtaining medical services or haircuts) and wear masks in accordance with Mayor’s Order 2020-080 (Wearing of Masks in the District of Columbia to Prevent the Spread of COVID-19).

2. The limit for outdoor gatherings is 25 people. Indoor gatherings may not exceed 10 people, unless a single household exceeds more than 10 persons. This applies to indoor home gatherings as well as any indoor gathering that is not subject to other rules (e.g., restaurants and houses of worship).

3. Individuals who violate the provisions of the Mayor’s Orders may be subject to civil or administrative penalties by other agencies.
4. **Members shall not take enforcement action, either through custodial or non-custodial (61-D) arrests, against members of the public for violations of the Mayor’s Orders.**

   a. Members who observe potential violations of the Mayor’s Orders should notify the individuals of the health and safety risks they may face by announcing a warning message. Whenever practical, members should provide the warning while maintaining a safe distance (e.g., using their vehicle’s PA system). The warning should include an explanation of the violation of the order and how the subject can voluntarily come into compliance.

   Example Warning for Large Gatherings: “We are currently in a public health emergency. Your gathering of more than 25 people (10 for indoor gatherings from more than one household) puts both you and others at unnecessary risk. We encourage you to comply with proper social distancing and refrain from gathering in large groups. Failure to do so puts you at risk that could result in severe illness and even death. Thank you for your cooperation.”

   b. Members shall tailor their warnings to specific violations as appropriate.

5. **Restaurants and Indoor Retail Food Sellers**

   a. Restaurants and other licensed food establishments may open for outdoor seating consistent with the requirements of the Mayor’s Orders including, but not limited to:

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<td>All outdoor customers must be seated, place orders, and be served at tables.</td>
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<td>Bar seating is prohibited if any bartender is working at that bar.</td>
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<td>All tables serving separate parties must be at least six feet apart.</td>
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<td>Restaurants and other licensed food establishments may continue to operate for patrons until midnight, but alcohol sales, service, and consumption (excluding carry-out and delivery) must end at 10:00 p.m.</td>
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   b. Indoor dining is suspended. Restaurants and indoor retail food sellers may continue to operate delivery, grab-and-go, and carryout services, provided that they continue to use social distancing protocols including marking six-foot distances outside and within their location to manage customer lines.

6. **Non-Essential Businesses**

   Nonessential retail businesses may open to customers for indoor shopping provided that the establishment limits the number of persons in the establishment to 50% of occupancy and establishes other protocols consistent with the Mayor’s Orders.
7. Barbershops and Hair Salons and Other Personal Services
   a. Barbershops and hair salons may continue to operate consistent with previous requirements including, but not limited to, providing hair services by appointment only and prohibiting customers from waiting inside the shop.
   b. Tanning, tattoo, waxing, threading, electrolysis, cryotherapy, facial and other skin services, and nail salons may open under the same conditions as barbershops and hair salons.

8. Places of Worship, Learning Institutions, Recreation and Exercise
   a. Places of worship may operate consistent with the Mayor’s Orders with indoor attendance up to 50% of capacity or 50 persons, whichever is fewer.
   b. Museums are closed. The National Zoo, libraries, colleges and universities, camps, and aftercare may open consistent with capacity and other requirements of the Mayor’s Orders.
   c. Playgrounds may open. The Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR) remains authorized to reopen parks, dog parks, tennis courts, tracks, and fields.
   d. Fitness establishments such as gyms, health clubs, yoga, dance and workout studios, including those in hotels, apartments, condominiums, and cooperatives, may open with capacity limits as outlined in the Mayor’s Orders. Gyms, private trainers, and other businesses and recreation centers must suspend all indoor group exercise classes and all outdoor group exercise classes of 25 or more people.

9. Other recreational facilities such as recreation centers, bowling alleys, climbing gyms, squash or racquet clubs, skating rinks, and skateboard parks may open with capacity limits as outlined in the Mayor’s Orders. Businesses and activities that remain closed include:

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<td>Hookah bars, cigar bars, and any other business operating pursuant to an exemption from the anti-smoking laws of the District of Columbia shall remain closed.</td>
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<td>Hot tubs, saunas, and steam rooms at gyms, in freestanding facilities, or in apartments, condominiums, and cooperatives shall remain closed.</td>
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<td>Bars, nightclubs and mixed-use facilities shall remain closed, except to the extent that they are serving food consistent with prior Mayor’s Orders and are operating pursuant to endorsements from the Alcoholic Beverage Regulation Administration (ABRA).</td>
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<td>Organized club team sport activities remain closed in District parks and fields.</td>
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<td>Spray parks shall remain closed.</td>
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<td>Theatres, cinemas, and other entertainment venues remain closed absent a waiver from Homeland Security and Emergency Management Agency (HSEMA) for a scheduled event.</td>
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B. Medical Marijuana Registration ID Cards

Members are reminded that the validity of each medical marijuana registration identification (ID) card that would otherwise expire after February 28, 2020, will be extended to the date 45 days after the end of the COVID-19 public health emergency.

C. Violations for Businesses that Serve Alcohol – Notify ABRA

1. Members who observe violations are not responsible for closing establishments, but shall contact the on-call ABRA hotline (202-329-6347) for notification purposes, complete an incident report for “ABC Violation or Incident”, and notify the Command Information Center (CIC) of the violation and provide the central complaint number (CCN). Timelines for follow-up by ABRA may be delayed due to the ongoing emergency.

2. Members unsure of the nature of the license of the establishment can contact the ABRA hotline or view the list at: https://abra.dc.gov/node/1415756.

D. Violations for Businesses that Do Not Serve Alcohol – Notify DCRA

Members who observe violations are not responsible for closing establishments, but shall contact the DCRA at dcra@dc.gov and include the establishment’s name and address, an explanation of the alleged violation, and the associated CCN. Members shall also complete an incident report for “Miscellaneous Report,” and notify the CIC of the violation and provide the CCN.

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