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STATE RELEASES UPDATED GUIDANCE FOR RESTAURANTS, WINERIES AND BREWERIES

December 3, 2020 – On November 24, the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) released updated guidance for Restaurants, Wineries and Breweries. The updated documents provide guidance for restaurants to support a safe, clean environment for workers and customers. Businesses must identify and monitor the County Risk Level for the county the business is operating in and make required adjustments to their operations.

Recently on December 1, the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) reassigned Mono County to the most restrictive Tier 1 Widespread (Purple) of the Blueprint for a Safer Economy (Blueprint), the State’s “stringent and slow plan for living with COVID-19 (Coronavirus).”

Mono County and Town of Mammoth Lakes Restaurant Operations

Regression to Tier 1 Widespread (Purple) closes indoor operations for a number of Activities and Business Tiers and applies additional capacity limits on others. Included in this category are further restrictions to the restaurant sector that prohibits all indoor dining. This requires restaurants to operate outdoors with modifications, such as take-out or delivery services only.

All restaurants operating in Mono County and the Town of Mammoth Lakes are required to adhere to the Tier 1 Widespread (Purple) Restrictions by no later than December 3, 2020.

Updated Guidance for Restaurants, Wineries and Breweries

Updated guidance is provided for the following business sectors:

- [Take-out restaurants](#)

- [Outdoor dining](#)
- [Dine-in restaurants](#)
- [Restaurants, wineries, and bars.](#)

A summary of changes are as follows:

- Added Tiers (yellow to purple) language
 - Included information about performances/performers in these settings and references forthcoming live performances guidance
- Added language about ventilation
- Revised Face Coverings section to reference CDPH guidance
- Includes consideration for employers to provide a second barrier (e.g., face shield or safety goggles) to workers who consistently come within 6 feet of customers and co-workers.
- Includes physical distancing between tables measuring from the backs of the chairs

Key prevention practices include:

- Ensuring adequate ventilation in all spaces
- Physical distancing to the maximum extent possible
- Use of face coverings by workers (where respiratory protection is not required) and customers/clients
- Frequent handwashing and regular cleaning and disinfection
- Training workers on these and other elements of the COVID-19 prevention plan

In addition, the CDPH recommends in place appropriate processes to identify new cases of illness in workplaces and, when they are identified, to intervene quickly and work with public health authorities to halt the spread of the virus.

Additional information regarding the Blueprint for a Safer Economy and industry guidance is available online: <https://covid19.ca.gov/roadmap-counties/> or by visiting the Mono County COVID-19 Portal in English: **MonoHealth.com/Coronavirus** or Spanish: <https://monohealth.com/coronavirus-es>.

Cover. Distance. Wash and **#StaySafeToStayOpen!**

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