



REOPENING UPDATE: JUNE 5, 2020

Governor Baker announced that beginning immediately, businesses and other organizations that are included within Phase 2 of the reopening plan, may open their physical workplaces and facilities to workers for purposes of preparing reopening. The actual start of Phase 2 will be announced, based on positive health data, on Saturday, June 6.

Enterprises that meet all the conditions specified in the executive order for Phase 2 include:

- Retail stores, (including stores in enclosed malls)
[Retail Checklist](#)
[Retail Safety Standards](#)
- Restaurants with seated food service prepared on-site and under retail food permits issued by municipalities, including beer gardens/wineries/distilleries
[Restaurant Checklist](#)
[Restaurant Safety Standards](#)
- Hotels, hotels, inns and short-term lodgings (no events, functions or meetings)
[Lodging Checklist](#)
[Lodging Safety Standards](#)
- Limited organized youth and adult amateur sports (no contact and no games or scrimmages and indoor facilities limited to youth programs)
- Professional Sports training
- Personal services at fixed place of business or at client location
- Non-athletic instructional classes in arts/education/life skills for youths under 18 years of age in groups of fewer than 10.
- Driving schools and flight schools
- Outdoor historical spaces – no functions or gatherings and no guided tours.
- Funeral homes – increased capacity to permit 40% occupancy for one service at a time.
- Warehouses & distribution centers
- Golf facilities including outdoor driving ranges
- Other outdoor recreational facilities
- Post-Secondary/Higher Ed/Vocational-Tech/Trade/Occupational Schools
- Day Camps including sports and arts camps
- Public libraries

[Guidance related to the reopening of outdoor recreational activities](#)

[Guidance related to the reopening of health and human services](#)

[Guidance related to the reopening of child care and summer camps](#)



GENERAL RECOMMENDATIONS FOR BUSINESSES

Identify the phase in which your industry or sector is eligible to reopen

- [When Can My Business Reopen?](#)
(Please check back, as this document will be updated)


Read the guidance for reopening:

- [Mandatory Workplace Safety Standards](#)
- [General Business Guidance](#)
- [Sector-Specific Protocols and Best Practices](#) (if applicable; additional guidance will be made available as we progress through the Phases)
- Please note that businesses that have been offering essential services and have remained open throughout the COVID-19 outbreak must adhere to the safety standards and create a COVID-19 Control Plan (see below) by May 25th. Businesses with office spaces that have been operating as an essential service have until July 1st to comply with occupancy limits.

Develop a COVID-19 Control Plan

- You may use the [COVID-19 Control Plan template](#) or create your own written plan.
- All businesses in the Commonwealth must develop a written control plan outlining how its workplace will comply with the mandatory safety standards for operation in the COVID-19 reopening period.
- Control plans do not need to be submitted for approval but must be kept on premises and made available in the case of an inspection or outbreak.
- Before reopening, the business must meet the Mandatory Workplace Safety Standards and attest to compliance
- Once the business has met the mandatory standards, complete, sign, and post the [Compliance Attestation Poster](#).
- Post the [Employer Guidance](#) and [Worker Guidance](#) posters.
- These should be displayed in an area within the business premises that is visible to employees, customers, and visitors.

Reopen brick-and-mortar operations safely and in line with guidance

- These standards will be jointly enforced by local Boards of Health and the state's Department of Labor Standards (DLS).
 - Businesses play a key role in setting a standard for safe public interactions and in restoring consumer confidence.
 - By adhering to these mandatory standards and best practices, businesses, employees, and customers will ensure Massachusetts is able to progress from Phase 1 to Phase 4, the "New Normal." It's all of our responsibility to ensure we move forward, and not backwards, in reopening the Massachusetts economy.
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ADDITIONAL RESOURCES:

[What Businesses Can Expect in Phase 1](#), which condenses key detail into a single page

The report, [Reopening Massachusetts](#), offers the full framework of the four-phased reopening and provides an overview of the issues underpinning the approach

The [Reopening: Four-Phase Approach](#) page outlines the phased approach and the key role that public health benchmarks play in reopening

The [Purchasing Hygienic or Protective Supplies](#) page includes information for employers and employees about supplies needed to return to workplaces, as well as a [Vendor Tool](#) to assist businesses in locating and purchasing hygienic and protective supplies

[Department of Public Health's Safer-At-Home Advisory](#) gives key guidance for all residents of the Commonwealth, including employers and employees, during Phase 1. Please note, businesses authorized to operate under Phase 1 are not subject to the 10-person limitation on gatherings.

Note for retail businesses: retail businesses may engage in curbside pickup sales as of May 25th. Please check the [Essential Services FAQ document](#) for current guidance on remote fulfillment. Additional notes on curbside pickup guidance will be available in the coming days.

