



Humboldt County COVID-19 Frequently Asked Questions Supplemental Shelter-in-Place Order

1. Why was this Order of the Health Officer issued?

This new order modifies the existing Shelter-in-Place Order (humboldt.gov/DocumentCenter/View/84938/Health-Officer-Order---Shelter-in-Place---Redlined) that was issued on March 30, 2020, to reflect statewide changes under the "State of California's Roadmap to Modify the Stay-at-Home Order." This Order allows for additional businesses to operate and adds to the list of allowable activities. This Order also outlines the factors used to determine how quickly Humboldt County can move through Stage Two of the four-stage reopening process.

2. Does this Order override the previous Shelter-in-Place or Facial Coverings orders?

No. This order supplements and modifies the Shelter-in-Place Order. The Facial Coverings Order (<https://humboldt.gov/DocumentCenter/View/85692/Health-Officer-Order---Wear-Facial-Coverings---Redlined>) issued by the County Health Officer on April 28 remains in effect. All orders will be in effect until modified or rescinded by the County Health Officer.

3. What's new in this Order?

This Order allows certain low-risk businesses to reopen as part of Stage Two of the state's four-stage reopening plan, in addition to businesses that were deemed essential in Stage One that have been in operation since the outbreak began. The Order also defines the factors that will determine Humboldt County's Stage Two reopening timeline. Those factors include:

- Trend in number of new cases and the time it takes for cases to double
- Current capacity of regional hospitals and the health care system to provide care for both COVID-19 and non COVID-19 patients, including during a surge in new cases
- Adequate supply of personal protective equipment for health care providers and personnel, including skilled nursing facilities and other congregate care settings
- Testing capacity to identify new cases and their contacts in a timely manner

- Ability to initiate and conduct case investigations for an increasing number of new cases and their contacts, including issuance of appropriate isolation and quarantine orders.

4. Is there a list of businesses allowed to operate under this Order?

Yes. Based on the health factors above, the County Health Officer will add or remove business sectors and industries to the Allowable Services List on the Humboldt County website here: humboldt.gov/AllowableServices

An individual business within an allowable category under the list may open to the public with modifications after obtaining an approval certificate from the Humboldt County Emergency Operations Center (EOC) and complying with the following requirements:

- The sector-specific safety guidance provided by the California Department of Public Health
- The business' safety plan as submitted to the EOC and approved
- The Health Officer's Facial Coverings Order which remains in full force and effect.

Businesses may submit Reopening Plans for review and approval here: humboldt.gov/2756/Business-Compliance.

5. Are additional activities allowed under this Order?

The following activities now are permitted under both this supplemental Order and the state Stay-at-Home Order:

- Attending a funeral with no more than 10 individuals present while maximizing streaming or similar technology
- Golfing as singles, carts allowed
- Tennis, table tennis, badminton and volleyball as singles rather than teams
- Offices, in all sectors not just essential. Employers should allow for and encourage employees to work remotely when the work can be done effectively in that manner
- Child care for children of all workers, not just essential, under the Governor's child care guidance rules and with approval by the EOC

6. What is still prohibited under this Order?

Public and private gatherings of any size with members outside of a person's own household, other than a funeral, continue to be prohibited. Residents must continue to limit activity outside of their residence except to seek or provide essential or low-risk services as defined by this Order or to enjoy outdoor recreation with members of your own household. Those at high risk of severe illness from COVID-19 should stay in their residences except to seek medical care or access essential services. People who are ill should stay home except to seek medical care. Non-essential travel is still prohibited.

7. When will higher-risk or Stage Three businesses begin to reopen?

The state has not indicated when it will allow higher risk or Stage Three businesses to reopen.