

Q: The Department of Health and Senior Service's Order prohibits certain activities and gatherings that are not as strict as local orders that are being enforced where I live. Which restrictions should I follow?

A: Local health authorities, unless otherwise provided, may provide for stricter limits on activities, business operations, etc., than what the Department of Health and Senior Services Order mandates. Counties, cities, and other local authorities may not allow for less restrictive measures than what is required in the Department's Order.

Q: Because my workplace has more than 10 people that need to show up to work, does the Order require me to keep more than ten employees away from the workplace?

A: No, gatherings where more than 10 people convene in the same space would not include people showing up to work in the same building for normal business operations unless otherwise prohibited by the Order. As stated, this Order does not prohibit people from visiting a variety of places, including grocery stores, gas stations, parks, and banks, so long as necessary precautions are taken and maintained to reduce the transmission of COVID-19, including maintaining at least six feet (6') of distance between all individuals that are not family members.

Q My business requires more than 10 people to be in the same room, but not in a typical office setting. Does the Order require that the business close? For example: a manufacturing facility or agricultural sale barn.

A: More than ten employees in the same room in order to carry on the business of a company, such as a manufacturing facility, would not violate the Order. People in such situations should take every measure to distance one another by at least 6 feet and practice other hygienic measures as have been previously advised on.

Q: Does my restaurant have to close?

A: No. Restaurants can be open for delivery or carryout services as long as the other requirements of the order are being followed. Restaurants are allowed to have 10 people or less within the restaurant for dining service. The ten person limitation includes both employees and customers together. Restaurants shall maintain at least six feet (6') of distance between all individuals that are not family members.