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COVID-19 Reopening Guidance for Retail Food Establishments

To restaurant, bar, distillery and brewery operators getting ready to reopen, the purpose of this guidance is just that, to offer you direction and provide a framework to reopen safely. Our goal is to support you as you establish best practices that fit your unique operation. Our hope is that the guidance will help you navigate a phased reopening that allows businesses such as yours to operate while managing public health risks, reducing the possibility for a need to re-introduce restrictions in the future. We have great confidence in you and we are here to help along the way.

We also recognize that not every establishment is the same and not every reopening scenario will align seamlessly with this guidance. We also understand that the nature of retail food establishments present challenges to your efforts and that no location will perform perfectly all the time. With that in mind, we want you to know that the Gallatin City-County Health Department wants to remain your partner in implementing measures that will help keep your customers and staff safe.

To that end, we have created a “package” of resources and the checklist below and urge you to consider them. These resources are intended to help you meet Governor Bullock’s Directive which allows you to reopen on **May 4, 2020**. As a reminder, all other Retail Food Laws must still be followed in addition to the requirements listed as “required” in the resources provided. As we continue to learn more about operating businesses during COVID-19 we will continue to share resources and the most current direction and advice from the Food and Drug Administration, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the Environmental Protection Agency, and the Department of Public Health and Human Services. Please check back frequently and don’t hesitate to call our COVID-19 call center at 548-0123 if you have questions. The call center is staffed with nursing staff and sanitarian weekly from 8am-5pm.

If you wish, you may return the completed and signed checklist after you have completed it by emailing it to EHS@gallatin.mt.gov or you can simply keep it for your records and have it available as a reference.

- Employee Health Agreement for COVID-19 Symptoms
- Facility Plan for Cleaning, Sanitizing & Disinfecting
- Facility Plan for Social Distancing & Reducing Shared Contact Surfaces
- COVID-19 Training Log
- GCCHD Provided Signs for customers and staff: [STOP, Stay Home if Sick](#)

Owner or Operator

Date

Operating your establishment during a pandemic presents large challenges, our intention of providing this resource is to do everything we can to support your efforts to keep yourself, your staff and community safe.

Sincerely,

Matt Kelley, MPH
Health Officer

This Document was published on April 28, 2020 to help establishments comply with the Governor’s Directive published on April 22, 2020. However, as new information on COVID-19 is discovered and Directives are adopted or modified, this document may be changed to reflect the most current information and Directives.

Additional Resources:

The Governor’s Directive can be found at: <https://covid19.mt.gov/joint-information-center>

Montana Retail Food Laws can be found at: <https://dphhs.mt.gov/publichealth/FCSS/RetailFood>

Questions? Contact the COVID-19 call center at 406-548-0123 or callcenter@readygallatin.com