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Alabama	Dine-in allowed	6-ft social distancing	5/11/2020	For staff interacting w/ guests	8-person party limit	https://alabamapublichealth.gov/covid19/assets/cov-sah-restaurants-bars.pdf
Alaska	Dine-in allowed	Tables 8-ft apart	4/24/2020	For staff interacting w/ guests	25% capacity; reservation only; Entryway signage required	https://gov.alaska.gov/wp-content/uploads/sites/2/0425-COVID-MANDATE-016-Attachment-F-Restaurants-Dine-In-Services.pdf
Arizona	Dine-in allowed	6-ft social distancing recommended	5/11/2020	Consider offering to staff	Recommended to operate w/ reduced occupancy but no strict requirements; Ideally no party sizes over 10	https://www.azdhs.gov/documents/preparedness/epidemiology-disease-control/infectious-disease-epidemiology/novel-coronavirus/guidance-restaurants.pdf
Arkansas	Dine-in allowed	Tables 10-ft apart	5/11/2020	All employee plus patrons until eating food	33% capacity (will go up to 66% capacity for Phase 2 of reopening); 10-person party limit; Entryway signage required	https://www.healthy.arkansas.gov/images/uploads/pdf/Directive_on_Resuming_Restaurant_Dine-in_Operations.pdf
California	Majority of state now open for dine-in; San Francisco area restaurants will re-open for outdoor dining 6/15/2020	6-ft social distancing (If tables cannot be removed, clearly mark ones not available)	Varies by County	Required if within 6 ft of guests; Recommended for other employees & guests until seated	Some counties only allow diners to sit with household members; Guests should not touch doors (prop open, use automatic doors, or have employee greet at entrance instead); Host recommended at peak times to monitor entrance & lines; Entry signage required; Recommended that guests are questioned about COVID symptoms at arrival & asked to use sanitizer & face coverings	https://covid19.ca.gov/pdf/guidance-dine-in-restaurants.pdf
Colorado	Dine-in allowed	6-ft social distancing	5/27/2020	All employees	8-person party limit; 50% indoor capacity w/ max of 50 patrons; Entryway signage required	https://drive.google.com/file/d/1_yyWSUnb40TKDBk9EcvYcSkOzhCDV8NA/view
Connecticut	Outdoor dining only	6-ft social distancing	5/20/2020	All employees	Signage required; Must complete self-certification on DECD website & receive Reopen CT badge before opening	https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/DECD/COVID_Business_Recovery/CTReopens_Restaurants_C5_V1.pdf?ja=en
Delaware	Dine-in re-opening in June	Tables 8-ft apart	6/1/2020	All employees	30% capacity; Guests can only sit with members of their household; Counter service locations 6-ft apart; Entryway signage required; staff members monitoring entry and lines	https://governor.delaware.gov/wp-content/uploads/sites/24/2020/05/Delaware-Economic-Reopening-Guidance-Phase-1-Revised_05202020.pdf
Florida	Dine-in allowed	6-ft social distancing	5/4/2020	Recommended	50% capacity; 10-person party limit	https://www.flgov.com/wp-content/uploads/covid19/Safe%20Smart%20Step_Templat4.29%20FINAL.pdf
Georgia	Dine-in allowed	6-ft social distancing	4/27/2020	All employees	10 diners per 300 sq ft; 10-person party limit; Entryway signage required	https://gov.georgia.gov/executive-action/executive-orders/2020-executive-orders
Hawaii	Dine-in re-opening in June w/ Safe Practices	6-ft social distancing	6/1/2020 for Maui, Kauai & Big Island; others to follow later in month		Counties to set own dates & guidelines for re-opening for state's approval	https://governor.hawaii.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/05/Gov_Reopening-Presentation-Slide-Deck_18-May-2020.pdf
Idaho	Dine-in allowed	Tables 10-ft apart suggested	5/16/2020	Varies by district	Varies by district/local health department; Some have specific guidelines & others require restaurants to submit plans for approval; State suggestions are 50% capacity & 6-person party limit; Idaho expected to move from Stage 2 to 3 on May 30 & some restrictions will be loosening	https://rebound.idaho.gov/stages-of-reopening/
Illinois	Outdoor dining only	Tables 6-ft apart	Outdoor: 5/29/2020 Indoor: TBD	All employees & guests (when within 6 ft of others; guests can remove to eat)	6-person party limit; Plexiglass between tables recommended as best practice; Entryway & restroom signage required	https://dceocovid19resources.com/assets/Restore-Illinois/businessguidelines3/restaurantbars.pdf
Indiana	Dine-in allowed (Indianapolis is outdoor only)		5/11/2020	Not required	50% capacity	https://www.coronavirus.in.gov/2393.htm
Iowa	Dine-in allowed	6-ft social distancing	5/1/2020	Not required	50% capacity; 6-person party limit	https://dia.iowa.gov/document/covid-19-frequently-asked-questions-food-lodging-businesses
Kansas	Dine-in allowed	Tables 6-ft apart (or physical barriers between tables)	5/4/2020	Strongly encouraged	10-person party limit	https://www.coronavirus.kdheks.gov/DocumentCenter/View/1058/Guidance-for-Reopening-Food-Service-Establishments-PDF---5-1-20
Kentucky	Dine-in allowed	6-ft social distancing	5/22/2020	All employees (when within 6 ft of others)	33% capacity; 10-person party limit only sitting with household members; Consider installing barriers between tables; Entryway signage required	https://govsite-assets.s3.amazonaws.com/HGn5jDAvTsK1N68x0Vp4_Healthy%20at%20Work%20Reqs%20-%20Restaurants%20-%20Final%20Version%201.1.pdf
Louisiana	Dine-in allowed	Tables 10-ft apart	5/15/2020	All employees & guests (guests can remove to eat)	25% capacity	https://gov.louisiana.gov/assets/Proclamations/2020/58-JBE-2020.pdf
Maine	Dine-in allowed in most counties	6-ft social distancing	5/18/2020	All employees (& guests until seated)	8-person party limit; Max of 50 people per room; Entryway signage required	https://www.maine.gov/decd/sites/maine.gov/decd/files/inline-files/COVID%20Checklist%20for%20ME%20Phase%201%20Restaurants-1.pdf
Maryland	Outdoor dining open only	6-ft social distancing (For booth seating, close every other booth)	Outdoor: 5/29/2020 Indoor: TBD	For staff interacting w/ guests	6-person party limit; Establish 6-ft marking system where customers & staff congregate; Signpost direction of foot traffic in main circulation routes; Entryway signage required	https://commerce.maryland.gov/Documents/BusinessResource/Restaurants-bars-COVID-19-Best-Practices.pdf

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Massachusetts	Closed for dine-in		Anticipated for later in June			https://www.mass.gov/info-details/reopening-massachusetts
Michigan	Dine-in allowed only in northern MI & UP; municipalities are allowed to enact different measures	Tables 6-ft apart	5/22/2020	For staff interacting w/ guests	50% capacity; May be a while before other regions open for dine-in as Michigan needs to reach Phase 5 of its re-opening plan before state officially opens restaurants; however, municipalities are allowed to enact different measures	https://www.michigan.gov/documents/whitmer/ML_SAFE_START_PLAN_689875_7.pdf
Minnesota	Outdoor dining opening 6/1	Tables 6-ft apart	TBD for indoor	Strongly recommended	4-person party limit (allowing up to 6 for families); Max # of patrons of 50	https://www.health.state.mn.us/diseases/coronavirus/businesses.html
Mississippi	Dine-in allowed	6-ft social distancing	5/7/2020	For staff interacting w/ guests	50% capacity; 6-person party limit; Entryway signage required	https://www.sos.ms.gov/content/executiveorders/ExecutiveOrders/1478.pdf
Missouri	Dine-in allowed, except in City & County of St. Louis and Jackson County	6-ft social distancing	5/4/2020	Recommended, as feasible	10-person party limit	https://content.govdelivery.com/attachments/MOQOV/2020/04/27/file_attachments/1437097/Economic%20Reopening%20Order%204-27-20.pdf
Montana	Dine-in allowed	6-ft social distancing	5/4/2020	No strict guidelines	50% capacity (going up to 75% June 1st at beginning of Phase 2); 6-person party limit (up to 10 June 1st)	https://covid19.mt.gov/Portals/223/Documents/Phase%20Two%20Directive%20with%20Appendices.pdf?ver=2020-05-19-145442-350
Nebraska	Dine-in allowed	6-ft social distancing	5/4/2020	All employees	50% capacity; 6-person party limit; partitions recommended to separate high traffic walking areas from tables	http://dhhs.ne.gov/Documents/COVID-19-Restaurant-In-Room-Dining-Reopening-Guidelines.pdf
Nevada	Dine-in allowed	Tables 6-ft apart	5/9/2020	All employees (guests encouraged)	50% capacity	https://nvhealthresponse.nv.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/05/Roadmap-to-Recovery-Phase-One-Initial-Guidance.pdf
New Hampshire	Outdoor dining open only for reservation & call-ahead service	6-ft social distancing	Outdoor: 5/18/2020 Indoor: TBD	All employees		https://www.covidguidance.nh.gov/
New Jersey	Closed for dine-in		Will remain closed until at least 6/5			
New Mexico	Outdoor dining open only	Tables 6-ft apart	Outdoor: 5/27/2020 Indoor: Anticipated for June	All employees & guests (guests can remove to eat)	50% capacity; 6-person party limit; Offer guests option to record names & contact info in a log for contract tracing; Recommended to temperature screen both employees & guests	https://cv.nmhealth.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/05/All-Together-New-Mexico-5-27-2020.pdf
New York	Closed for dine-in; Regional re-openings for outdoor dining began in June (New York City area still closed)	Tables 6-ft apart	Outdoor: 6/4/2020 (in select regions) Indoor: TBD		Dine-in will not open until a region is in Phase 3. (Some regions are currently in Phases 1 & 2.)	https://forward.ny.gov/industries-reopening-phase
North Carolina	Dine-in allowed	6-ft social distancing	5/25/2020	Strongly encouraged	50% capacity; 10-person party limit; entryway signage required	https://files.nc.gov/governor/documents/files/EO141-Phase-2.pdf
North Dakota	Dine-in allowed	6-ft social distancing	5/1/2020	Encouraged	50% capacity; 10-person party limit	https://ndresponse.gov/sites/www/files/documents/covid-19/ND%20Smart%20Restart/Restaurants/Restaurants%20Standards.pdf
Ohio	Dine-in allowed	6-ft social distancing	5/21/2020	All employees	10-person party limit; Signage required; Barriers recommended in high volume areas	https://content.govdelivery.com/attachments/OHOD/2020/05/07/file_attachments/1446150/Sector%20fact%20sheet%204%20Restaurants%2005.07.20.pdf
Oklahoma	Dine-in allowed	Every other table available for use (recommended to remove chairs of tables not in use)	5/1/2020	Recommended if within 6 ft of others		https://www.okcommerce.gov/wp-content/uploads/Full-Service-and-Quick-Service-Restaurant-Guidance.pdf
Oregon	Dine-in allowed (excluding Portland & Salem)	Tables 6-ft apart	5/15/2020	All employees	10-person party limit; Signage recommended; Recommended to have greeter/host managing customer flow at entrance/line & staff also monitoring restrooms & other areas people may congregate	https://shredsystems.dhsoha.state.or.us/DHSForms/Served/le2342B.pdf
Pennsylvania	Outdoor dining allowed in yellow & green phase counties (most of state except Philadelphia area)	6-ft social distancing (or physical barriers)	Outdoor: 6/5/2020 Indoor: TBD	All employees	Indoor dining will be allowed to re-open at 50% occupancy when county hits green phase (currently applicable to some rural counties but no official re-opening announcement made)	https://www.pa.gov/guides/responding-to-covid-19/#PhasedReopening
Rhode Island	Outdoor dining by reservation only	Tables 8-ft apart or separated by barriers	Outdoor: 5/18/2020 Indoor: TBD	All employees & guests (guests can remove to eat)	5-person party limit; No more than 20 tables in an outdoor space; Dine-in permitted when Rhode Island begins re-opening Phase II	https://www.reopeningri.com/
South Carolina	Dine-in allowed	Tables 8-ft apart; social distancing "recommended but not enforced"	5/11/2020	Encouraged	8-person party limit; Signage recommended at entry & on tables not to be used	https://sccommerce.com/sites/default/files/2020-05/SC%20restaurant%20reopening%20guidelines%20FINAL%205.1.20.pdf

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South Dakota	Dine-in allowed	6-ft social distancing recommended but not enforced	4/28/2020	Encouraged	6-person party limit recommended; State never had a stay-at-home order forcing restaurants to close. While providing guidelines, leaving it up to businesses & communities to decide	https://doh.sd.gov/documents/COVID19/COVID19_Restaurant_Business_Checklist.pdf
Tennessee	Dine-in allowed	Tables 6-ft apart or separated by barrier	4/27/2020 (Nashville & some counties didn't open until later in May)	All employees	75% capacity; 10-person party limit; Guests are to be screened at entry (temperature check recommended but asking questions acceptable)	https://www.tn.gov/content/dam/tn/governorsoffice-documents/covid-19-assets/Pledge_General.pdf
Texas	Dine-in allowed	6-ft social distancing	5/1/2020	Consider using, especially if within 6 ft of others	50% capacity; 6-person party limit; Recommended to have employee greet guests to open door (to minimize touching) and monitor traffic; Signage recommended Majority of state is now 'yellow' risk so only requirements are primarily to keep 6-ft distances, establish window for high-risk groups to visit, and post entryway signage; Additional requirements for regions still orange: 6-person party limit and recommended to have host opening door & monitoring traffic	https://gov.texas.gov/uploads/files/organization/opentexas/OpenTexas-Checklist-Restaurants.pdf
Utah	Dine-in allowed	6-ft social distancing	5/1/2020	All employees at restaurants in 'orange' risk region	Mobile/phone ordering & payment recommended for outside diners; 10-person party limit from no more than 2 households; No more than 50 diners; Must keep log of customers 2/ contact information	https://coronavirus-download.utah.gov/Health/Phased%20Health%20Guidelines%20V3.pdf
Vermont	Outdoor dining only w/ reservation or call ahead seating	Tables 10-ft apart	Outdoor: 5/22/2020 Indoor: TBD	All employees	50% capacity; 10-person party limit; entry signage required	https://accd.vermont.gov/news/update-new-work-safe-additions-be-smart-stay-safe-order
Virginia	Outdoor dining only (excludes northern areas near D.C. but this region expected to open soon)	6-ft social distancing; If employee is not seating guests, tables not in service should be clearly marked	Outdoor: 5/15/2020 Indoor: TBD	For staff in dining/service area (recommended for guests until seated)	50% capacity; 10-person party limit; entry signage required	https://www.virginia.gov/coronavirus/forwardvirginia/#856420
Washington	Dine-in allowed in 22 of 39 counties	6-ft social distancing between diners (or barriers between tables)	5/12/2020	All employees; Strongly suggested for guests when not seated at table	50% occupancy; 5-person party limit; Log of customers to be maintained w/ contact info; Signage required at entry; Must designate a site-specific COVID-19 Supervisor to monitor health & safety	https://www.governor.wa.gov/sites/default/files/Phase%20%20Restaurant%20Industry%20Re-open%20proposal_FINAL.pdf
West Virginia	Dine-in allowed	6-ft social distancing	5/21/2020	All employees	50% capacity; Signage required at entry	https://governor.wv.gov/Documents/Covid%20Week%205/2020.05.19%20Restaurants%20and%20Bars%20Guidelines.pdf
Wisconsin	Dine-in allowed		5/13/2020		No state restrictions as governor's stay-at-home order was struck down; Some counties (i.e. Milwaukee & Madison areas) still have restrictions	
Wyoming	Dine-in allowed	Tables 6-ft apart	5/15/2020	For staff interacting w/ guests	6-person party limit	https://www.gillette-newsrecord.com/news/wyoming/article_86e93d2f-eb1f-5976-97f0-a0732f9e8f7b.html

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