

On April 24th Governor Whitmer introduced [Executive Order 2020-59](#) which extends "Stay Home, Stay Safe".

Q: Are golf courses allowed to be open?

A: Yes, subject to strict conditions as required by this order and Executive Order 2020-43, governing places of public accommodation. Tee times must be scheduled and payments must be made in advance, online or by phone. Tee times must be spaced to avoid multiple foursomes from clustering or gathering at any stage of the course, and players must remain six feet from one another at all times. Maintenance workers and groundskeepers can come to work to maintain the safety and sanitation of the course, but neither the course nor its workers may provide goods, supplies, equipment, or services to golfers on premises. Accordingly, caddies, starters, and golf carts may not be provided, and clubhouses, pro shops, driving ranges, and miniature golf courses must remain closed. The order, however, does not prohibit a golf course from arranging for an accommodation for a golfer with a disability who requires one under state or federal law; confirmation of and arrangements for any such necessary accommodation must be carried out with the course in advance, online or by phone. Food and beverage may be sold for takeout, but may not otherwise be served to golfers. Under the order, all work must be carried out remotely to the greatest extent possible, and any in-person work that is permitted must be done in accordance with the mitigation measures required under section 11 of the order—including the heightened social-distancing rules required under section 11(h).

Specific Employee Information from [Executive Order 2020-59](#)

Section 11. Businesses, operations, and government agencies that remain open for in-person work must adhere to sound social distancing practices and measures, which include but are not limited to:

h. For businesses and operations whose in-person work is permitted under sections 10(c) through 10(e) of this order, the following additional measures must also be taken:

1. Barring gatherings of any size in which people cannot maintain six feet of distance from one another.
2. Limiting in-person interaction with clients and patrons to the maximum extent possible, and barring any such interaction in which people cannot maintain six feet of distance from one another.
3. Providing personal protective equipment such as gloves, goggles, face shields, and face masks as appropriate for the activity being performed.

4. Adopting protocols to limit the sharing of tools and equipment to the maximum extent possible and to ensure frequent and thorough cleaning of tools, equipment, and frequently touched surfaces.

DUE TO THE CORONAVIRUS STATE OF EMERGENCY, ALL PLACES OF PUBLIC ACCOMMODATION ARE CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC UNTIL MAY 28, 2020 AT 11:59 PM, PURSUANT TO EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-69. FURTHERMORE, EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-70 TEMPORARILY SUSPENDS ACTIVITIES THAT ARE NOT NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN OR PROTECT LIFE. DETAILED GUIDANCE FOR BUSINESSES REGARDING EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-70 CAN BE FOUND BY CLICKING [HERE](#).

- The Executive Order applies to any restaurant, bar, tavern, brew pub, microbrewery, brewery, distillery, winery, tasting room, club, bowling alley, movie theater, golf courses, or any other business that is licensed for the consumption of alcoholic liquor on the licensed premises. This includes the following license types that allow for on-premises consumption of alcoholic liquor:
 - Class C license
 - Tavern license
 - A-Hotel license
 - B-Hotel license
 - Special license
 - Club license
 - G-1 or G-2 license
 - Brew Pub license
 - Any combination of manufacturer licenses with On-Premises Tasting Room Permit for onpremises consumption:
 - Micro Brewer license
 - Brewer license
 - Small Wine Maker license
 - Wine Maker license
 - Small Distiller license
 - Distiller/Manufacturer of Spirits license
 - Mixed Spirit Drink Manufacturer license
 - Off-Premises Tasting Room license for on-premises consumption
 - Joint Off-Premises Tasting Room license for on-premises consumption
- Businesses that hold liquor licenses for the sale of alcoholic liquor to go, such as grocery stores, convenience stores, or liquor stores, are not closed to the public under the Executive Order. In offering food or beverage, a place of public accommodation subject to the Executive Order may permit up to five members of the public at one time in the place of public accommodation for the purpose of picking up their food or beverage orders so long as those individuals are at least six feet apart from one another while on premises. This includes the following license types that allow for the sale of alcohol only to go:
 - Specially Designated Distributor license
 - Specially Designated Merchant license – a Class C, Tavern, A-Hotel, or B-Hotel license that also holds a Specially Designated Merchant license may sell beer and wine to go, but not spirits or mixed spirit drink products
 - Any combination of manufacturer licenses with On-Premises Tasting Room Permit for sales of alcohol only to go:
 - Micro Brewer license
 - Brewer license
 - Small Wine Maker license
 - Wine Maker license
 - Small Distiller license
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