

# GUIDE TO EASE RESTRICTIONS

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# Rapid City's Plan to Ease Restrictions

The following are an easement of restrictions to affected businesses and establishments in Rapid City. The ease of restrictions are to ensure a uniform social distancing implementation throughout the community, and were approved by the Rapid City Common Council on April 27, 2020, effective immediately.

## Social Distancing

- A minimum six-foot space exists between tables, chairs, and barstools.
- Require social distance spacing while waiting for service or entry into business.
- Customer seating must be six-feet apart.
- Seating for large gatherings reduced to comply with a six-foot minimum distance between attendees.
- Customer seats in business and theaters marked as "not available due to social distancing guidelines".
- To support social distancing, broadcast approved public health announcements, once hourly, in retail stores larger than 50,000 sq. ft. in size.

## Cleaning & Disinfecting

- Require handwashing at regular intervals for restaurant and bar employees.
- Video lottery machines cleaned and disinfected between each customer.
- Posting of regular cleaning and disinfecting schedule, specific to each business.
- Exercise equipment and/or mats cleaned and disinfected between each customer.
- Enhanced cleaning/disinfecting requirements for motel and hotel rooms.
- Hand sanitizer locations throughout retail and grocery stores, readily available for public use.
- Ongoing strict social distancing policies to protect the elderly and those most-at-risk.
- Clearly marked one-way shopping aisles in grocery and retail stores.

## Personal Protective Equipment

- Plexiglass divider between cashier and customer, where physically possible, in retail and grocery businesses.
- Encourage public masking whenever possible.
- Encourage daily employee screening.
- Food service employees must be masked.
- Hair and nail salons, barber shop employees to be masked during customer contact times.

Rapid City's Plan to Ease Restrictions is to help reduce risk and ultimately protect the community and members. These restrictions may be modified, changed, or removed at any time at the discretion of the City Council.

## Capacity Limitations

- Restaurants, bars, and casinos shall be limited to a capacity of half their maximum posted occupancy.
- Limit number of customers in grocery, retail, recreation and fitness businesses based on available square footage. One customer for every 200 square feet.
- Public gatherings limited to 10 people.

Failure to comply with these restrictions will result in a violation to City Ordinance 6413.



"Thank you to all our business community members in helping slow the spread of COVID-19. We appreciate your patience and understanding during these trying times." - Mayor Steve Allender

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