



Chelan-Douglas Health District

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Chelan-Douglas Health District Approved for *a Modified Phase I Reopening*

East Wenatchee, WA – Yesterday, June 10, at 5:30 p.m., Secretary Wiesman of the Washington State Department of Health (DOH) approved Chelan-Douglas Health District's (CDHD) variance application to move to a ***Modified Phase I of Governor Inslee's Safe Start Plan***. The approval takes effect immediately and includes specific conditions and limitations for activities and businesses:

Recreation: Outdoor recreation involving 5 or fewer people outside your household (not including an instructor, with 6 foot distancing (camping, beaches, exercise classes, etc.)

Gatherings: Allowed outdoors only, with 5 or fewer people outside your household per week

Travel: Essential travel and limited non-essential travel for Phase I & II permissible activities

Businesses/employers:

- Remaining manufacturing
- Additional construction phases
- In-home/domestic services (nannies, housecleaning, etc.)
- Retail – essential or otherwise, may operate at 50% of building occupancy with Phase II requirements regarding physical distancing and other infection prevention measures; businesses are responsible for controlling access appropriately. (Note that building occupancy capacity is based on Fire Marshal's occupancy limits.)
- Real estate at 25% of building occupancy; indoor services limited to 30 minutes
- Professional services/office-based businesses at 25% of building occupancy; indoor services limited to 30 minutes for customers (telework remains strongly encouraged)
- Hair and nail salons/barbers at 25% of building occupancy
- Pet grooming at 25% of building occupancy
- Restaurants/taverns:
 - o All outdoor food and beverage service may operate subject to Phase II guidance at 50% outdoor capacity with all tables/chairs maintaining at least 6 feet of distance and table size no larger than 5 persons. Additional or new outdoor seating would be allowed subject to maintaining 6 feet distance between table and chairs, as well as receiving any city permit needed.

- All indoor food and beverage services may operate subject to Phase II guidance with the exception that at no time may the number of customers be at more than 25% indoor capacity with all tables/chairs maintaining at least 6 feet of distance and table size no larger than 5 persons. Furthermore, no bar-area seating is allowed.

“Businesses must carefully study and understand the Secretary’s letter and the other advisories which apply to their business,” said Barry Kling, Administrator of Chelan-Douglas Health District. To view a full list of the conditions and the Secretary’s letter, visit: <http://cdhd.wa.gov/wp-content/uploads/DOH-Approval-of-Modified-Phase-I.pdf>. Businesses now closed may reopen as soon as they are able to implement the standards issued by the state and operate within the limitations from the Secretary’s letter as described above. The Wenatchee Valley Chamber of Commerce has a tool kit for businesses to use to help them prepare for reopening, it can be found at: <http://wenatchee.org/covid-recovery-council>.

This reopening guidance is not only a matter of what businesses do. What we do as individuals counts. “We still need to protect each other – not only because it is a basic civic responsibility but also because controlling COVID-19 is the best way to reopen our community and keep it that way,” added Kling. Here is some guidance for individuals to do to help keep our Valley reopened:

- Wear face masks in public
- Maintain at least 6 feet apart from others whenever possible
- Wash or sanitize your hands frequently
- Don’t touch your face
- Avoid groups of more than five people outside of your household members

For more information about COVID-19, visit www.cdhd.wa.gov and follow us on [Facebook](#) & [Twitter](#).

COVID-19 Resources:

[Wenatchee Valley Chamber of Commerce](#)
[Chelan-Douglas Health District](#)
[Washington State Department of Health](#)
[Centers for Disease Control and Prevention](#)

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