

Temporary COVID-19 Sidewalk Café/Outdoor Dining Application

Perth Amboy Outdoor Dining Application Link:

<https://www.cognitoforms.com/BusinessImprovementDistrict1/TemporaryCOVID19SidewalkCaféOutdoorDiningApplication>

Department of Health Guidelines for Service in Outdoor Areas

Under guidelines outlined by the DOH to provide for healthy hygiene practices and a healthy environment, restaurants or alcoholic beverage establishments offering outdoor dining are required to follow certain protocols for operation, and must institute policies with respect to customers and while protecting their employees.

DOH requirements include, but are not limited to:

- Limit seating to eight (8) customers per table, and arrange seating so that tables are a minimum of six (6) feet apart.
- Prohibit patrons from entering indoor area except to walk through when entering or exiting or to use the restroom.
- Require customers to wear face coverings when inside the building, unless there is a medical reason for not doing so or if the patron is under 2 years old.
- Require employees to wash hands when entering work, and require employees to wear face coverings, unless it would inhibit their health, and to wear gloves when in contact with customers and when handling food, utensils, and other items.
- Eliminate self-serve food and drink options like buffets, salad bars, and drink stations.
- Prohibit smoking in outdoor areas where people are drinking and eating.
- Disinfect tables, chairs, and other shared items like menus, condiments or pens and encourage the use of digital menus.
- Frequently sanitize high-touch areas, for example, credit-card machines and counters.
- Encourage reservations and take phone numbers to help with contact tracing.
- Recommend customers wait in their cars or away from the establishment while waiting for a table if outdoor wait areas do not allow for proper social distancing.
- Provide tape, signs, and other guidance on floors, sidewalks, and walls to make sure patrons stay six feet apart while going to the restroom or waiting for a table.
- Install physical barriers and partitions, and provide hand sanitizer for customers.
- Conduct daily health checks of workers, and require employees with symptoms of COVID-19 to be sent home.
- Provide all workers with face coverings, gloves, and sanitation materials.

Full detail Information on Outdoor Dining Protocols:

- Executive Order 150: <https://www.nj.gov/oag/newsreleases20/EO-150.pdf>
- COVID-19 Protocols for Food or Beverage Establishments Offering Service in Outdoor Areas Pursuant to Executive Order No. 150:
<https://www.nj.gov/governor/news/news/562020/docs/ExecutiveDirective20-014OutdoorDining.pdf>

Information on ABC Licenses Procedure for Expansion Protocols:

- Governor Murphy Announces Outdoor Dining Protocols and Process to Expand Premises for Liquor License Holders: <https://www.nj.gov/governor/news/news/562020/20200603e.shtml>