



REOPENING GUIDANCE

Pennsylvania plans to proceed with returning to work cautiously. Broad reopenings or reopenings that are not structured around ongoing social distancing, universal masking, or other public health guidance could result in a spike of COVID-19 cases and additional stay-at-home and closure orders.

Throughout this process, we will have guidance in place to support best public health practices. This guidance will reinforce and build on existing worker and building safety orders. It will also be able to adapt to the changing nature of the pandemic, as well as lessons learned from communities that return to work strategically.

Pennsylvania will utilize a three-phase matrix to determine when counties and/or regions are ready to begin easing some restrictions on work, congregate settings, and social interactions.

Scranton and Lackawanna County will remain under the Red Phase of the Governor's Stay-at-Home Order through Thursday, June 4, and will move to the Yellow Phase at 12:01 AM on Friday, June 5.

These resources from the Pennsylvania Department of Health can help guide business owners, employees, and individuals with navigating the phased reopening:

- Yellow Phase Quick-Look
- Phased Reopening
- Business Guidance
- Building Safety Measures
- Worker Safety Order
- Workplace Safety Measures



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YELLOW Phase Quick-Look

Work & Congregate Setting Restrictions

- Work & Congregate Setting Restrictions
- Telework Must Continue Where Feasible
- Businesses with In-Person Operations Must Follow Business and Building Safety Orders
- Child Care May Open Complying with Guidance
- Congregate Care and Prison Restrictions in Place
- Schools Remain Closed for In-Person Instruction

Social Restrictions

- Stay at Home Order Lifted for Aggressive Mitigation
- Large Gatherings of More Than 25 Prohibited
- In-Person Retail Allowable, Curbside and Delivery Preferable
- Indoor Recreation, Health and Wellness Facilities and Personal Care Services (such as gyms, spas, hair salons, nail salons and other entities that provide massage therapy), and all Entertainment (such as casinos, theaters) Remain Closed
- Restaurants and Bars May Open Outdoor Dining, in Addition to Carry-Out and Delivery (effective 6/5/2020)