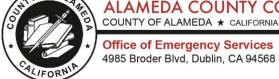
ALAMEDA COUNTY COVID-19 HEALTH EMERGENCY PRESS RELEASE



Alameda County Health Care Services Agency

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Alameda County Statement

ALAMEDA COUNTY, CA – On Friday, August 28, 2020, the State announced a shift from its Monitoring List to a color-coded four-tier Blueprint for Safe Reopening. Alameda County is in the <u>State's Purple Tier per their newly announced framework</u>, along with 37 other counties. Although the Purple Tier is the most restricted, it implicates both loosening and tightening restrictions for allowable local activities.

The State's Blueprint will go into effect on Monday, August 31, and the Governor noted in his announcement today that local jurisdictions may continue to be more restrictive in allowing local activities and businesses openings.

While the State once again permits retail in shopping malls, it also places additional restrictions on retail, which apply to businesses in Alameda County. Starting Monday, August 31, all indoor retail must limit capacity to a maximum of 25%, except for grocery stores, which must limit capacity to a maximum of 50%. Please visit https://covid19.ca.gov/industry-guidance/ and find "Retail" for reference.

At this time, this list reflects what is permitted in Alameda County and will still be in effect on Monday, August 31. We are carefully examining the additional activities that may be permitted or restricted by the State while Alameda County is in the Purple Tier and are evaluating our next steps.

We plan to share an update next week. We encourage you to visit the Alameda County COVID-19 website https://covid-19.acgov.org/sip.page? to learn what is currently permitted locally and review industry guidance.

To help the County of Alameda move to a less restrictive tier, please wear a mask in public, wash your hands regularly, keep at least six feet of physical distance when in public, and limit mixing with people outside your household.

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