


| TIER DETERMINATION<br>Based on Risk of Community<br>Disease Transmission   | Higher Risk  Lower Risk |                       |                    |                   |
|--|---|-----------------------|--------------------|-------------------|
|  | Widespread<br>Tier 1  | Substantial<br>Tier 2 | Moderate<br>Tier 3 | Minimal<br>Tier 4 |
| Adjusted Case Rate for Tier<br>Assignment<br>(Rate per 100,000<br>population excluding prison<br>cases, 7 day average with 7<br>day lag) | >7  | 4-7                   | 1-3.9              | <1                |
| Testing Positivity<br>(Excluding prison cases, 7<br>day average with 7 day lag)  | >8%   | 5-8%                  | 2-4.9%             | <2%               |

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| BUSINESS SECTORS  | Widespread Tier 1                | ↓<br>Substantial Tier 2  | Moderate Tier 3   | Minimal Tier 4  |
|---|----------------------------------|--|---|---|
| <b>Amusement Parks</b><br>(NEW 10/20/2020)  | Closed                           | Closed   | Smaller parks open with modifications <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Max 25% capacity or 500 people, whichever is fewer</li> <li>• Outdoor attractions only</li> <li>• In-county visitors only</li> <li>• Reservations or advanced ticket sales required</li> </ul> | Larger parks open with modifications <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Max 25% capacity</li> <li>• Reservations or advanced ticket sales required</li> </ul> |
| <b>Bars, Breweries, and Distilleries</b><br>(where no meal provided)<br>(follow Restaurants guidance where meal is provided)  | Closed                           | Closed   | Open outdoors with modifications  | Open indoors with modifications <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Max 50% capacity</li> </ul>  |
| <b>Cardrooms, Satellite Wagering</b>  | Outdoor only, with modifications | Outdoor only, with modifications   | Open indoors with modifications <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Max 25% capacity</li> </ul>  | Open indoors with modifications <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Max 50% capacity</li> </ul>  |
| <b>Childcare</b>  | Open with modifications          | Open with modifications  | Open with modifications   | Open with modifications   |
| <b>Critical Infrastructure</b><br><a href="https://covid19.ca.gov/img/EssentialCriticalInfrastructureWorkers.pdf">https://covid19.ca.gov/img/EssentialCriticalInfrastructureWorkers.pdf</a> | Open with modifications          | Open with modifications  | Open with modifications   | Open with modifications   |
| <b>Dance and Yoga Studios</b>   | Outdoor only, with modifications | Open indoors with modifications <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Max 10% capacity</li> </ul> | Open indoors with modifications <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Max 25% capacity</li> </ul>  | Open indoors with modifications <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Max 50% capacity</li> </ul>  |
| <b>Day Camps</b>  | Open with modifications          | Open with modifications  | Open with modifications   | Open with modifications   |


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| <b>Family Entertainment Centers and Drive-in Theaters</b><br>(updated 10/20/2020) | Outdoor only, with modifications e.g. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Kart racing</li> <li>• Mini golf</li> <li>• Batting cages</li> <li>• Playgrounds</li> <li>• Skate parks</li> <li>• Roller and ice skating at max 25% capacity</li> <li>• Laser tag/Paintball</li> </ul> | Outdoor only, with modifications e.g. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Kart racing</li> <li>• Mini golf</li> <li>• Batting cages</li> <li>• Standalone, outdoor attractions defined as ride attractions operated independently from and are located on distinct and separate grounds from other amusement attractions, such as a carousel, Ferris wheel, or train ride</li> </ul> | Open indoors for naturally distanced activities with modifications <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Max 25% capacity</li> <li>• Bowling alleys</li> <li>• Climbing walls</li> <li>• Escape rooms</li> <li>• Indoor bumper cars</li> <li>• Indoor batting cages</li> <li>• Kiddie rides</li> <li>• Virtual reality</li> </ul> | Open indoors for activities with increased risk of proximity and mixing with modifications <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Max 50% capacity</li> <li>• Arcade games</li> <li>• Ice and roller skating</li> <li>• Indoor playgrounds</li> <li>• Trampolines</li> <li>• Indoor laser tag</li> <li>• Indoor skate parks</li> </ul> |
| <b>Gyms and Fitness Centers</b><br>(updated 10/20/2020)                           | Outdoor only, with modifications <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Outdoor hot tubs can open only for use by household groups or in cases where 6 feet of distancing can be maintained.</li> </ul>  | Open indoors with modifications <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Max 10% capacity</li> <li>• +Climbing walls</li> </ul>   | Open indoors with modifications <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Max 25% capacity</li> <li>• +indoor pools</li> </ul>  | Open indoors with modifications <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• +Saunas</li> <li>• +Spas</li> <li>• +Steam rooms</li> <li>• Max 50% capacity</li> </ul>   |
| <b>Hair Salons &amp; Barbershops</b>  | Open indoors with modifications  | Open indoors with modifications   | Open indoors with modifications  | Open indoors with modifications  |


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| <b>Higher Education</b>                                  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Closed for indoor lectures and student gatherings</li> <li>• Some courses conducted in certain indoor settings, like labs and studio arts may be open</li> </ul>  | <p>Open indoors with modifications</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Max 25% capacity or 100 people, whichever is fewer, for lectures and student gatherings</li> <li>• Some courses conducted in certain indoor settings, like labs and studio arts may be open at regular capacity</li> <li>• Conduct student activities virtually when possible</li> </ul> | <p>Open indoors with modifications</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Max 50% capacity or 200 people, whichever is fewer, for lectures and student gatherings</li> <li>• Some courses conducted in certain indoor settings, like labs and studio arts may be open at regular capacity</li> <li>• Conduct student activities virtually when possible</li> </ul> | <p>Open indoors with modifications</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Max 50% capacity, for lectures and student gatherings</li> <li>• Some courses conducted in certain indoor settings, like labs and studio arts may be open at regular capacity</li> <li>• Conduct student activities virtually when possible</li> </ul> |
| <b>Hotels and Lodging and Short-term Lodging Rentals</b> | <p>Open with modifications</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fitness centers must operate outdoors</li> <li>• Outdoor hot tubs can open only for use by household groups or in cases where 6 feet of distancing can be maintained.</li> </ul> | <p>Open with modifications</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• +Fitness centers 10% max capacity</li> </ul>   | <p>Open with modifications</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• +Fitness centers 25% max capacity</li> <li>• +Indoor pools</li> </ul>  | <p>Open with modifications:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• +Fitness centers 50% max capacity</li> <li>• +Spa facilities etc.</li> </ul>  |
| <b>K-12 Schools</b>                                      | <p>Closed for in-person learning</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• May apply for a waiver for K-6 in-person instruction with Health Department</li> </ul>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Schools may not reopen fully for in-person instruction until the county has been in the Red Tier for two weeks. Local school and health officials may decide to open elementary schools, and school officials may decide to conduct in-person instruction for a limited set of students in small cohorts.</li> </ul>            | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Local school and health officials may decide to open schools, and school officials may decide to conduct in- person instruction for a limited set of students in small cohorts.</li> </ul>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Local school and health officials may decide to open schools, and school officials may decide to conduct in- person instruction for a limited set of students in small cohorts.</li> </ul>  |

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| <b>Limited Services</b><br><i>generally does not require close contact</i><br>Includes:<br>Laundromats<br>Dry cleaners<br>Auto repair shops<br>Car washes<br>Landscapers<br>Door-to-door services/sales<br>Pet grooming<br>Dog walking<br>Residential cleaning services<br>Janitorial cleaning services<br>HVAC services<br>Appliance repair<br>Electricians<br>Plumbers<br>Mechanical tradespersons<br>Handypersons<br>General contractors<br>Faith-based counseling | Open with modifications          | Open with modifications  | Open with modifications  | Open with modifications  |
| <b>Movie Theaters</b>   | Outdoor only, with modifications | Open indoors with modifications <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Max 25% capacity or 100 people, whichever is fewer</li> </ul> | Open indoors with modifications <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Max 50% capacity or 200 people, whichever is fewer</li> </ul> | Open indoors with modifications <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Max 50% capacity</li> </ul> |
| <b>Museums, Zoos, and Aquariums</b>   | Outdoor only, with modifications | Open indoors with modifications <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Indoor activities max 25% capacity</li> </ul>                 | Open indoors with modifications <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Indoor activities max 50% capacity</li> </ul>                 | Open indoors with modifications  |
| <b>Nail Salons</b><br>(updated 9/22/2020)   | Open indoors with modifications  | Open indoors with modifications  | Open indoors with modifications  | Open indoors with modifications  |

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| <b>Offices</b>  | Remote                           | Remote  | Open indoors with modifications<br>• Encourage telework   | Open indoors with modifications<br>• Encourage telework   |
| <b>Outdoor Playgrounds, Campgrounds, Outdoor Pools and Outdoor Recreational Facilities</b><br>(updated 9/28/2020)   | Open with modifications          | Open with modifications   | Open with modifications   | Open with modifications   |
| <b>Personal Care Services</b><br>(updated 10/20/2020)<br>Includes:<br>Tattooing/Body Art<br>Piercing Shops<br>Esthetic and skin care services<br>Facials Electrolysis/Electrology<br>Massage services (in non-healthcare settings)<br>Body waxing | Open indoors with modifications  | Open indoors with modifications   | Open indoors with modifications   | Open indoors with modifications   |
| <b>Places of Worship</b><br>Includes:<br>Worship services<br>Weddings (ceremony only)<br>Funerals (ceremony only)   | Outdoor only, with modifications | Open with modifications<br>• Max indoor 25% capacity or 100 people, whichever is fewer<br>• Max outdoor capacity is 60 people for weddings and funerals (ceremonies only) | Open with modifications<br>• Max indoor 50% capacity or 200 people, whichever is fewer<br>• Max outdoor capacity is 60 people for weddings and funerals (ceremonies only) | Open with modifications<br>• Max indoor 50% capacity<br>• Max outdoor capacity is 60 people for weddings and funerals (ceremonies only) |

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| <b>Professional Sports</b><br>(updated 10/20/2020) | Open <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Without live audiences</li> <li>With modifications</li> </ul> | Open <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Without live audiences</li> <li>With modifications</li> </ul>                            | Open <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>With modifications</li> <li>Permanent venues with live audiences outdoors only</li> <li>Capacity must be limited to max 20%</li> <li>Reservations required</li> <li>Assigned seating only</li> <li>In-seat concessions only (no concourse sales)</li> <li>Regional attendees only (within 120 miles)</li> </ul> | Open <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>With modifications</li> <li>Permanent venues with live audiences outdoors only</li> <li>Capacity must be limited to max 25%</li> <li>Reservations required</li> <li>Assigned seating only</li> <li>In-seat concessions only (no concourse sales)</li> <li>Regional attendees only (within 120 miles)</li> </ul> |
| <b>Racetracks</b><br>(without spectators)          | Open <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Without live audiences</li> <li>With modifications</li> </ul> | Open <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Without live audiences</li> <li>With modifications</li> </ul>                            | Open <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Without live audiences</li> <li>With modifications</li> </ul>   | Open <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Without live audiences</li> <li>With modifications</li> </ul>   |
| <b>Restaurants (dine-in)</b>                       | Outdoor only, with modifications  | Open indoors with modifications <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Max 25% capacity or 100 people, whichever is fewer</li> </ul> | Open indoors with modifications <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Max 50% capacity or 200 people, whichever is fewer</li> </ul>  | Open indoors with modifications <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Max 50% capacity</li> </ul>  |
| <b>Restaurants (take-out and delivery)</b>         | Open with modifications   | Open with modifications  | Open with modifications   | Open with modifications   |

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| <b>Retail (all)</b><br>(including critical infrastructure)<br>Includes:<br>Bookstores<br>Clothing stores<br>Shoe stores<br>Convenience stores<br>Farmers' markets<br>Florists<br>Gas stations<br>Grocery stores<br>Home and furnishing stores<br>Jewelry stores<br>Libraries<br>Pharmacies<br>Sporting goods stores<br>Toy stores | Open indoors with modifications <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Max 25% capacity</li> </ul>  | Open indoors with modifications <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Max 50% capacity</li> </ul>  | Open indoors with modifications   | Open indoors with modifications  |
| <b>Shopping Centers</b><br>(Malls, Destination Centers, Swap Meets)   | Open indoors with modifications <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Max 25% capacity</li> <li>• Closed common areas</li> <li>• Closed food courts, but restaurants can offer take-out</li> </ul> | Open indoors with modifications <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Max 50% capacity</li> <li>• Closed common areas</li> <li>• Reduced capacity food courts (see Restaurants)</li> </ul> | Open indoors with modifications <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Closed common areas</li> <li>• Reduced capacity food courts (see Restaurants)</li> </ul> | Open indoors with modifications <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reduced capacity food courts (see Restaurants)</li> </ul>             |
| <b>Wineries</b>   | Outdoor only, with modifications  | Outdoor only, with modifications  | Open indoors with modifications <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Max 25% capacity indoors, or 100 people, whichever is fewer</li> </ul>                   | Open indoors with modifications <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Max 50% capacity or 200 people indoors, whichever is fewer</li> </ul> |
| <b>Youth Sports</b>   | Open with modifications   | Open with modifications   | Open with modifications   | Open with modifications  |

Businesses must follow relevant State Industry Guidance; view guidance and Blueprint details at:

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Maximum % building capacity (max % capacity) includes all people within the building.  
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