

City of Broken Arrow

Business Closures and Limitations under Emergency Declaration Order Dated March 19, 2020

Summary

The order limits explicitly restaurants to curbside, drive-thru, take-out, and delivery services. It is up to the restaurant or business owner's discretion as to how they operate those services, but they should follow CDC guidelines for best practices.

Restaurants, food courts, cafes, coffeehouses, and other places of public accommodation offering food and beverages are closed for dine-in customers and guests' on-premises consumption. Services are restricted and limited to curbside, drive-thru, take-out, and delivery services, excluding institutional or in-house food cafeterias that serve residents, employees, and clients of businesses, childcare facilities, hospitals, and long-term care facilities.

The following commercial establishments and places of public accommodation shall be and are hereby closed to ingress, egress, use, and for occupancy by members of the public:

1. Bars, taverns, brew pubs, breweries, microbreweries, distilleries, wineries, tasting rooms, clubs, and other places of public accommodation offering alcoholic beverages for on-premises consumption.
2. Hookah bars, cigar bars, and vaping lounges offering their products for on-premises consumption.
3. Theaters, cinemas, indoor and outdoor performance venues, and museums.
4. Gymnasiums, fitness centers, recreation centers, indoor sports facilities, indoor exercise facilities, exercise studios, and spas.

5. Amusement parks, arcades, bingo halls, bowling alleys, indoor climbing facilities, skating rinks, trampoline parks, and other similar recreational or entertainment facilities.

Frequently Asked Questions

What should be closed?

All bars in Broken Arrow are to be closed indefinitely.

All restaurants and food courts may provide carry out, drive-thru, and delivery service only. Dine-in service will be prohibited indefinitely. All theaters, gyms, and recreation and entertainment facilities are to be closed indefinitely.

What is open?

You can still go shopping at grocery stores, malls, markets, convenience stores, liquor stores, pharmacies, drug stores, food pantries, hardware stores, and retail stores. All of those stores are allowed to remain open. If any of those stores have a food court area in them, that food court should be closed. Additionally, daycares and health care facilities such as hospitals and physician offices are allowed to remain open. Food trucks may remain open but no on-premises consumption.

When does my business need to close?

Your businesses (as defined in the proclamation) should close by March 20, 2020 at 11:59pm and remain closed until further notice.

How long do businesses need to close?

Indefinitely. Businesses who are being asked to close need to remain closed until told otherwise. The decision to allow businesses to re-open is contingent upon CDC best practices and Tulsa Health Department guidelines.

What other kinds of businesses need to close?

Sports facilities (both indoor and outdoor), skating rinks, bowling alleys, and indoor climbing facilities are asked to close indefinitely.

Do liquor stores need to close?

No.

Do retail stores need to close?

No. Unless the establishment has fixed seating and other areas designed for people to congregate, it can remain open.

Do places of worship need to close?

Worship organizations are asked to do what is best for their congregation. The City defers to the recommendations provided by the CDC.

Are catered events allowed?

No. The goal is to prevent group activities that facilitate rapid virus transmission.

What should breweries, microbreweries, and taprooms do?

Breweries and taprooms who serve beer as carry out can operate as usual. Tasting rooms and other fixed seating areas must close indefinitely.

Do movie theaters need to close?

Yes. All movie theaters should be closed indefinitely.

My bar/club is a private, members-only establishment. Do I need to close?

Yes.

Do performance centers need to close?

Yes.

Are museums open?

No.

Do hair salons and nail salons need to close?

No.

Can bars still serve food?

Bars with dine-in options that operate food services may offer a drive-thru, curbside pick-up, take out, and delivery. The bar itself should not be open to the public.

Can I order take-out food inside a restaurant?

Yes. Businesses who are closed may take your order over the phone, online or in-person. The executive order only applies to those wanting to dine inside. All dine-in services will not be available.

Are employees who work at closed businesses still allowed to work there?

Yes. The purpose of the order is to limit the number of customers who congregate inside commercial establishments. Employees are allowed to stay and work. The executive order does not prohibit an employee, contractor, vendor, or supplier of a place of public accommodation from entering, exiting, using, or occupying that place in their professional capacity.

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