

Nail Salons May Resume Indoor Operations at 25% Capacity on Oct. 5

Effective Monday, October 5, nail salons in the City of Long Beach may resume indoor operations up to 25% capacity. The City, which has revised its Health Order to reflect this change, is still encouraging outdoor operations to the extent possible.

[Click here](#) to view the full list of Nail Salon Protocols required to prevent the spread of COVID-19. Below are some key requirements:

- No walk-in customers are allowed.
- Ensure physical distancing measures of 6 feet between patrons and employees.
- Workers must be assigned their own tools and defined workspace.
- Face masks must be worn by everyone in the salon.
- If operating outdoors, an outdoor reception area for customer check-in is required.
- Barriers such as plexiglass must be installed in areas where physical distancing cannot be maintained.
- Stagger appointments to reduce reception area congestion and ensure adequate time to properly sanitize workstations.
- Encourage the use of credit cards or contactless payment.
- Remove magazines, coffee stations and similar amenities.

Downtown nail salon operators with questions may contact Economic Development & Policy Manager Austin Metoyer at AustinM@dlba.org or DLBA Communications Manager Samantha Mehlinger at SamanthaM@dlba.org.

Bars, Breweries, Wineries, Etc. May Open (with Permits) Oct. 5

Effective Monday, October 5, at 12:01 AM, the City of Long Beach is allowing bars, breweries, wineries, pubs, craft distilleries, and brewpubs that do not hold a City-issued restaurant permit to begin operating outdoors. These establishments must do so in accordance with the City's health protocols for restaurants. To review the revised City Health Order detailing this change, [click here](#) and refer to highlighted sections on pages 1 and 8.

The City provided the following instructions for bars/breweries/etc. in the form of a [press release](#) yesterday afternoon.

- Businesses must obtain City permits to operate outdoors. Please visit DLBA's website to review this procedure and download necessary forms. [Click here](#) and refer to the section labeled "Open Streets Initiative."
- Indoor operations must remain closed to the public. This includes ordering or picking up food or beverages, which must instead be conducted outdoors.
- Alcohol must be purchased with a meal.
- Meals must be prepared by a provider regularly engaged in the business of preparing meals for sale to the public – in other words, licensed restaurants or food trucks.

Health and safety protocols must be adhered to in order to prevent the spread of COVID-19. The full list of requirements are detailed in the [Dine-In Restaurant Protocols](#) section of

the City Health Order. Please note that the language has not yet been updated to reflect that bars may operate, but the requirements listed there for restaurants are the correct guidelines to follow. These include but are not limited to the following.

- Customers must wear cloth face coverings whenever they are not eating and/or drinking; this includes upon entry to the facility, when walking anywhere in the facility, and when using restrooms. This applies to all adults and to children over the age of 2.
 - Customers may remove cloth face coverings while seated at a table and eating and/or drinking.
 - Customers who refuse to wear a cloth face covering may be refused service and asked to leave.
- On-site outdoor seating at a table shall be limited to no more than 6 people in the same party.
- Outdoor seating must incorporate 6-foot physical distancing requirements between customers at different tables.
- Measures to ensure physical distancing are adhered to where customers or employees are in a queue. Place tape or other markings at 6-foot intervals in any area where members of the public may form a line or stand.
- Entertainment operations are prohibited. This includes, but is not limited to, disk jockey and live music and entertainment.
- Receptions, banquets, or other large gatherings are prohibited.
- All employees must be provided with and wear face coverings, and servers must also wear face shields.

Businesses with questions about the permitting process for outdoor operations may contact DLBA Placemaking Manager Stephanie Gonzalez at StephanieG@dlba.org. Other questions may be directed to Economic Development & Policy Manager Austin Metoyer at AustinM@dlba.org.

Open Streets Initiative Extended Through 2020: FAQ for Businesses

The Open Streets Initiative has been extended through December 31, 2020, thanks to a vote on September 15 by the Long Beach City Council. Businesses currently permitted for expanded outdoor services through this Initiative will remain approved through year-end, including those operating with expanded footprints in the Pine Avenue pedestrian area between First and Third Streets.

Please note that the City Council also directed City staff to work with business improvement districts, including DLBA, to identify options to permanently approve some Open Streets parklets and street closures, including on Pine Avenue.

For those who wish to apply for expanded outdoor services through the Open Streets Initiative, such as sidewalk dining, parklet space, or the Pine Avenue pedestrian area, please refer to the following FAQ.

Who is eligible?

Under the current [City Health Order](#) and as required by State law, only dining, fitness, and personal care service businesses are eligible to operate outdoors. Currently, restaurants, fitness studios/gyms, and most personal care services may only operate outdoors. Salons and barbershops are also eligible for expanded outdoor operations, but they can operate indoors at 25% capacity.

Please note, retail businesses accessible from the street are

still able to operate indoors per the current Long Beach Health Order, so outdoor programming is unavailable to retailers at this time.

How do I apply?

To apply for expanded outdoor operations under the Long Beach Open Streets Initiative, please review and complete the following steps.

- Read the City's [Open Streets Toolkit](#) to identify which type of outdoor expansion is right for your business.
- Refer to [DLBA's website](#) to download the necessary forms for your business and expansion type.
- Contact DLBA Economic Development & Policy Manager Austin Metoyer, who will connect you with appropriate City staff to submit your application and forms: AustinM@dlba.org.

My business is within the Pine Avenue pedestrian area. How do I apply?

- Review the [City's web page](#) dedicated to the Pine Avenue street closure.
- [Click here](#) to download necessary forms, which include outdoor event permits and insurance requirements as well as an ABC application for those who wish to serve alcohol.
- Contact DLBA Economic Development & Policy Manager Austin Metoyer, who will connect you with appropriate City staff to submit your application and forms: AustinM@dlba.org.

Where can I find City Health Protocols for my business type?

- [Click here](#) to find City Health Protocols specific to business type.

Pine Avenue Closure: August 14-Oct 31



Today, August 14, Pine Avenue is being closed to vehicular traffic between 1st to 3rd Street to accommodate outdoor dining and other activities allowed under the current City's health order. The 24/7 closure, which will last through at least October 31, will enable residents and visitors to enjoy safe outdoor dining, personal care services, and fitness activities at many of Pine Avenue's beloved establishments. Businesses along this stretch of Pine Avenue may begin setting up outdoor accommodations for immediate use, assuming permitting requirements, insurance measures, and City Health Order protocols have been met. Depending on business location, outdoor expansions may extend onto the sidewalk or into on-street parking spaces. To participate, businesses must submit an Occasional Event Permit form to the City, adhere to current City health protocols, and satisfy insurance requirements.

Delivery/Pickup Zones: Zones for business deliveries, as well

as for takeout and curbside pick-up traffic, will be located at the northwest corner of Broadway and Pine, and at the southeast corner of 3rd Street and Pine. Signage will be posted at these locations identifying them as delivery zones. Businesses are also encouraged to use Tribune Court (north/south alley located between Pine Avenue and The Promenade) for deliveries and loading only – not for takeout/pickup. If you use this space, please be mindful not to block adjacent parking lot access. If it becomes apparent that additional space is needed for delivery and pickup, the City will consider other options.

The City of Long Beach has created an informational webpage about this street closure, which includes necessary forms for businesses and can be found at longbeach.gov/pineclosure. This webpage will be updated regularly as additional information becomes available. Below are additional informational resources.

[Expanded Outdoor Operations Forms](#) for Closure-Area Businesses

[Closure Fact Sheet for Businesses](#)

[Dine Out DTLB](#): An interactive map of Downtown restaurants currently open for outdoor dining, takeout or delivery.

**Governor Orders Additional
Sectors to Close Indoor**

Operations

This afternoon, Governor Gavin Newsom [announced](#) new regulations affecting multiple sectors. Due to rising cases of COVID-19, the following business types in Los Angeles County, including Long Beach, must close indoor operations per order of the State of California. There is no sunset date for these regulations as of yet.

- Fitness Centers
- Offices for Non-Critical Sectors
- Personal Care Services
- Hair Salons and Barbershops
- Malls
- Places of worship must also cease indoor operations.

This action applies to 30 counties.

Following new statewide Health Orders, the City of Long Beach typically updates its own Health Order. DLBA will update you regarding this document when it is revised.

Additionally, the Governor is ordering the [statewide closure](#) of all indoor operations for dine-in restaurants, wineries and tasting rooms, movie theaters, family entertainment centers, zoos and museums, and cardrooms. Bars must close all operations. These closures were already in effect in L.A. County as of July 1. The closures were originally estimated to last at least three weeks.

DLBA will continue to provide you with news about updated regulations as they occur. In addition to these direct emails, we issue a weekly Business Resource Newsletter each Thursday summarizing new government actions and rules related to COVID-19, economic assistance options, technical resources, and DLBA initiatives. [Click here](#) to sign up.

Eateries and Museums Must Close Indoor Operations Effective Immediately

Effectively immediately per order of the State government, the following sectors in L.A. County, including Long Beach, must close indoor operations due to the risk of spreading COVID-19: restaurants, wineries, tasting rooms, movie theaters, family entertainment centers, zoos, museums and cardrooms. [This regulation](#) is expected to remain in place for 3 weeks. Bars must remain closed. This action applies to 19 counties throughout the state.

In these counties, all parking facilities at State beaches will be closed over the holiday weekend. In Long Beach, per order of the City, beaches will also close.

The State will enforce its public health orders with “Multi-Agency Strike Teams” that will work with county and local health agencies to target non-compliant workplaces.

Please note: The City of Long Beach released a revised health order later on the evening of July 1 that is largely in line with the Governor’s order. It also bans the use of face masks with one-way breathing valves, which increase the risk of spreading COVID-19 by allowing droplets to escape the mask. [Click here to view the Health Order.](#)

Context for this action: According to California Governor Gavin Newsom, 5,898 new cases of COVID-19 were reported

yesterday, June 30. The positivity rate is 6% among those tested (87,000 people). Fourteen days ago, the positivity rate was 4.6%. In the past 24 hours, 110 lives were lost in California due to COVID-19. Newsom emphasized the importance of wearing masks and avoiding group gatherings to help prevent the spread of the virus.

Open Streets Resources for Downtown Long Beach businesses: To learn how to apply for expanded outdoor operations through the Long Beach Open Streets Initiative, including in public spaces such as sidewalks or parking spots, [click here](#). DLBA is assisting Downtown businesses who wish to apply for expanded outdoor operations by connecting them with appropriate City staff. Please contact DLBA Placemaking Manager Mariah Hoffman for questions or additional information: MariahH@dlba.org.

A note from DLBA President & CEO Kraig Kojian: In order to protect the health and safety of the residents, businesses, and workers who make up our Downtown community – and to ensure we do not experience further closures – we must take these guidelines seriously. We do not have a vaccine yet. Community solidarity is the best medicine we have right now. It is our best and only path forward. That means wearing face coverings. It means standing six feet apart. It means not gathering in groups. Let's show each other and the communities around us that in Long Beach, we stand apart to stick together. We cover our faces to protect our friends. And we hold each other to the same standards we hold ourselves. This is how we will continue on the road to recovery: together.