

NEW JERSEY REOPENING INFORMATION

In **Stage One**, restrictions are relaxed on low-risk activities.

- May 2: [State Parks and Forests reopen for passive recreation.](#)
- May 2: [Golf courses reopen.](#)
- May 17: [Charter fishing and watercraft rental businesses reopen.](#)
- May 18: [Non-essential construction resumes.](#)
- May 18: [Non-essential retail reopens for curbside pickup.](#)
- May 20: [In-person sales at car and motorcycle dealerships and at bicycle shops resumes.](#)
- May 22: [Public and private beaches, boardwalks, lakes, and lakeshores reopen.](#)
- May 22: [Campgrounds reopen.](#)
- May 22: [Some outdoor recreational businesses, including batting cages and golf ranges, shooting and archery ranges, horseback riding, private tennis clubs, and community gardens, restart their operations.](#)
- May 22: [The limit on outdoor gatherings, including the capacity limit for some outdoor recreational businesses, increases from 10 to 25 individuals.](#)
- May 22: [Professional sports teams can practice and engage in games or matches, if their leagues resume competition.](#)
- May 26: [Elective surgeries and invasive procedures, both medical and dental, resume.](#)
- June 1: [Horse racetracks reopen, with no spectators allowed.](#)
- June 9: [Stay-at-home order lifted and limits on indoor and outdoor gatherings increased.](#)
- June 9: [Outdoor recreational and entertainment businesses reopen, with the exception of amusement parks, water parks, and arcades.](#)

In **Stage Two (New Jersey is currently in Stage Two)** moderate-risk activities restart. When leaving home, New Jerseyans should wear a face covering and keep a social distance from others. All workers who can work from home should continue to work from home.

- June 15: [Child care centers reopen their doors to all clients.](#)
- June 15: [Outdoor dining reopens.](#)
- June 15: [Non-essential retail stores reopen for indoor shopping.](#)
- June 15: [Motor Vehicle Commission agencies reopen for pick-up and drop-off services.](#)
- June 15: [Libraries reopen for curbside pickup.](#)
- June 22: [Organized sports activities resume.](#)
- June 22: [Personal care businesses, including barber shops and hair salons, reopen.](#)
- June 22: [Swimming pools reopen.](#)
- June 22: [Limit on outdoor gatherings increases to 250 people \(anticipated\).](#)

- June 29: [Motor Vehicle Commission agencies begin to offer behind-the-wheel road tests and resume issuing new licenses and permits.](#)
- July 3: [Limit on outdoor gatherings increases to 500 people \(anticipated\).](#)
- July 6: [Youth day camps and summer programs can operate.](#)
- July 6: [School districts may hold in-person summer educational programs](#)
- July 6: [Modified outdoor graduation ceremonies begin.](#)
- July 6: [NJ TRANSIT rail and light rail service resumes to full weekday schedule.](#)
- July 7: [Motor Vehicle Commission agencies resume in-person transactions, including issuing new licenses and permits.](#)
- July 15: [Seated capacity limits lifted on NJ TRANSIT and private-carrier buses, trains, light rail vehicles and Access Link vehicles.](#)
- July 20: [Certain sports are allowed to resume practices and outdoor contact drills.](#)
- August 3: [Motor Vehicle Commission agencies resume driver knowledge exams by appointment.](#)
- August 3: [Limit on indoor gatherings decreased to 25 people](#)
- August 13: [Colleges and universities allowed to resume all in-person instruction](#)
- August 13: [Schools allowed to open for in-person instruction at the start of the school year, provided they can meet required health and safety protocols](#)
- September 1: [Gyms and health clubs may reopen indoor facilities at limited capacity, provided they follow mandatory health and safety protocols](#)
- September 1: [Amusement parks and water parks may reopen indoor facilities subject to mandatory health and safety protocols](#)
- September 1: [Limit for indoor gatherings that are religious services or celebrations, political activities, wedding ceremonies, funerals, or memorial services increases to 25 percent capacity with a maximum of 150 people.](#)
- September 4: [Restaurants may resume indoor dining at limited capacity subject to mandatory health and safety protocols](#)
- September 4: [Theater and indoor performance venues can reopen at 25 percent capacity with a maximum of 150 people.](#)

Stage Three:

In **Stage Three**, higher-contact activities restart with significant safeguarding. New Jerseyans follow all safety guidelines and respect social distancing.

Phased-in businesses and activities, with adherence to safeguarding and modification guidelines, may include:

- Expanded dining,

- Limited entertainment,
- Expanded personal care,
- Bars with limited capacity.

Precautions that apply across all stages include:

- Work that can be done from home should continue to be done from home.
- Clinically high-risk individuals who can stay at home should continue to do so.
- All residents and businesses should follow state and federal safeguarding guidelines: wash hands; wear masks in public; respect social distancing; minimize gatherings; disinfect workplace and businesses; and no mass gatherings

For additional information on COVID-19, its impact on businesses, and mitigation requirements for businesses, please visit the State of New Jersey's [COVID-19 Business Information Hub](#).