

REOPEN Wethersfield

May 28, 2020

2:00 p.m.



Welcome and Introductions

Mark Trahan, Chair

Wethersfield Economic Development and Improvement Commission (EDIC) and Redevelopment Agency

Today's Guests

- Mike Rell, Mayor
- Gary Evans, Town Manager
- Peter Gillespie, Planning and Economic Development
- Anthony Dignoti, Fire Marshal
- Steve Lattarulo, Building Official
- Charles Morrison, Zoning Official
- Derrick Gregor, Town Engineer
- Barbara Gigliotti, Central CT Health District
- Deb Raymond, Chamber of Commerce

Governor's Executive Orders

Already Open

- Manufacturing
- Construction
- Real Estate
- Utilities
- Essential Retail
- Childcare
- Hospitals

May 20 Openings (Phase 1)

- Restaurants (outdoor only, no bar areas)
- Remaining Retail
- Outdoor Recreation
- Offices (Work From Home where possible)

- Personal Services (Hair) June 1
- Museums, Zoos (outdoor only)
- University Research

Business Sector Rules

Strict controls on distancing and hygiene safeguards. This will include, among other measures:

- Capacity limit of 50% for businesses that reopen.
- Strict cleaning and disinfection protocols in all settings.
- Those who can work from home should continue to do so
- Those in high-risk groups (comorbidities) and over the age of 65 should continue to stay safe and stay home.
- Facemasks should continue to be worn in public at all times.
- Social gatherings will be restricted to a maximum of 5 people.
- Self-Certification https://business.ct.gov/Recovery

Business Sector Rules (Continued)

- Training Programs
- Hand sanitizer shall be made available at entrance points and common areas, where possible
- Cleaning, disinfectant products, and/or disposable disinfectant wipes should be made available near commonly used surfaces, where possible (e.g., ticket counters).
- Post clear signage that includes the state hotline (211) for employees and customers to report potential violations of these rules.
- Whistleblower Protection: Employers may not retaliate against workers for raising concerns about COVID related safety and health conditions. Additional information can be accessed at www.OSHA.gov

Available Resources

- State of Connecticut https://portal.ct.gov/Coronavirus
- Individual Sector Rules For Businesses
- ► Town of Wethersfield https://wethersfieldct.gov/coronavirus
- Central Connecticut Health District https://www.ccthd.org/
- Roadmap for reopening Connecticut from Governor Lamont May 26
- https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/Office-of-the-Governor/News/20200526-Governors-Reopen-Report.pdf?la=en

Restaurants - Outside Dining Retail - Outside Display

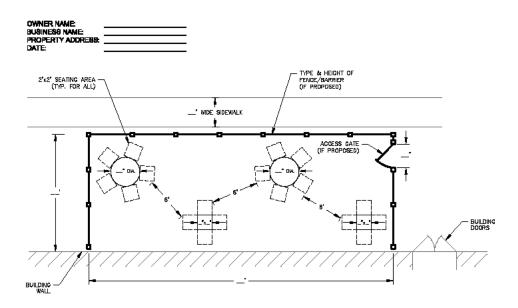
- ► Town Outdoor Activities Application https://wethersfieldct.gov/coronavirus
- ► Charles Morrison <u>tempoutdooractivity@wethersfieldct.gov</u>
- **(860)** 721-2835

Electronic copy of application and all data and plans in support of application to include:

- <u>Narrative</u> Describing Proposal to include: Days of the week, hours of the day, # tables, # of seats, occupancy of bar or restaurant, service plan, liquor service, social distancing plans and details of any temporary signage.
- <u>Sketch Plan</u> (reasonably accurate scale) for layout shall include: location of all improvements, electricity, dimensions, seating plan, bathroom locations, barriers/protection between vehicles and seating areas, lighting, tents/umbrellas, traffic flow, trash receptacles and all proposed signage.

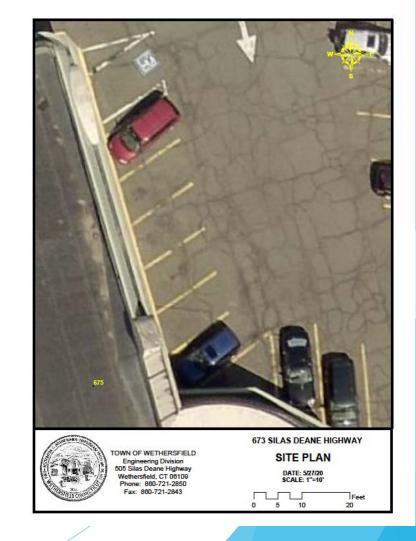
Sample Sketch Plan





TOWN OF WETHERSFIELD SAMPLE OUTSIDE SEATING LAYOUT

MAY 2020 NOT TO SCALE



Restaurants (Outdoor Dining)

- Expedited Review 10 Day Timeframe
- Sidewalks and Parking Lots
- 6 foot separation distance between chairs
- Bars Closed
- Coordinated Review With:
 - Building Official
 - Health District
 - Engineering
 - Fire Marshal

Restaurants (Outdoor Dining)

- Use rolled or packaged silverware.
- Use single use packets or containers
- Sanitize seating area, tables, and common items after each seating.
- Offer paper menus and dispose after guests have ordered, or display menu on a wall/white board, and/or encourage customers to view the menu on their phone

Building/Fire/Code Enforcement

- ► Inspections Will Be Provided to Assist Business Re-Openings
- Will Enforce All Executive Orders
- If Lighting Proposed Electrical Permits Still Required No Tripping Hazards
- Handicapped Accessibility Provisions
- Tent Permits Required No side walls permitted
- Anthony.Dignoti@wethersfieldct.gov Fire Marshal
- Steve.Lattarulo@wethersfieldct.gov Building Official
- PPE available visit CBIA.com

Central Connecticut Health District

- Barbara Gigliotti
- Existing Operating Restaurants with Take Out Service Do Not Need Re Inspection
- Restaurants That Have Been Closed Need Re-Inspection
- ► Face Masks Required For Patrons and Employees



Hair Salons and Barber Shops

- June 1
- ► Hair salons & barbershops will open at 50% capacity
- By appointment only,
- With waiting rooms closed.
- Services offered will be restricted to hairdressing and eyebrows, nothing that would require removal of a facemask (e.g., beard trimming, lip waxing, etc.).



Retail

- Retail businesses can open at up to 50% capacity
- Fitting Room Requirements
- Social Distance Markers
- Partitions
- Stores shall consider having designated hours for vulnerable populations (e.g., the elderly or those with underlying health conditions).



Offices

- Offices can open at up to 50% capacity.
- ▶ Employees are encouraged to continue to work from home where possible.
- Stagger Shifts
- Limit Visitors
- Office Arrangement Distance Partitions Discrete Work Zones



Museums and Zoos (Outdoor Only)

- Museums and zoos can open outdoor exhibits at up to 50% capacity.
- Establishments should leverage signage,
- Floor markings, and
- Enhanced presence of attendants and other personnel to enforce occupancy rate.



Outdoor Recreation

- ▶ 1:1 Training, outdoors maintain 6 feet
- Golf
- Boat Tours (subject to 5 passengers)
- Outdoor Shooting Range
- Sport Fishing (subject to 5 passengers)





- Here To Help
- As a chamber member:
- Announce your reopening to over 2000 contacts
- If already open, help brainstorm on how to make your business stand out
- Networking with other businesses to establish a professional "loyalty"
- Will help organize a Business After Hours (BAH)
- Virtual meetings for networking
- Deb Raymond Wethersfield@sbcglobal.net

Phase 2 Re-Openings June 20?

- Hotels (No Bars)
- Libraries
- Gyms and Sports Clubs
- Bowling Alleys
- Movie Theaters
- Zoos
- Museums
- All Personal Services

- Outdoor Events Under 50 People
- Outdoor Amusement Parks
- Restaurants (No Bars)
- Nail Salons
- Amusement Parks
- ► Tattoo Parlors
- Select Youth Sports
- Summer Day Camps June 22
- Social Clubs and Pools

Phase 3? July 20

- Bars
- Indoor Event Spaces and Venues
- Indoor Amusements
- Outdoor Events (Up To 100 People)



Thank You. Stay Safe. Shop Local.

