

Phase I guidelines for: Private Seasonal Campgrounds, RV Parks, Seasonal Trailer Parks, Tourist Cabins or Cottages, Beach Clubs and Drive-In Movie Theaters

Beginning on May 20, 2020, this revised COVID-19 Guidance makes revisions pursuant to changes made by Governor Raimondo's [Executive Order 20-32](#). This guidance document describes procedures for private seasonal campgrounds, RV parks, seasonal trailer parks, tourist cabins or cottages, beach clubs and drive-in movie theaters (herein referred to as "facilities") operating in accordance with established guidelines. If you have any questions about this guidance, please contact the Department of Business Regulation via the online form at <https://dbr.ri.gov/questioncomplaints/> or at 401.462.9500.

Summary of Phase I operations

Pursuant to Governor Raimondo's [Executive Order 20-32](#), the 14-day self-quarantine restriction for any person coming to Rhode Island from another state for a non-work-related purpose remains in place. This means that any person coming to Rhode Island to your facility, from out of state, will need to immediately self-quarantine upon their arrival in accordance with EO 20-32.

Private Seasonal Campgrounds and RV Parks and Seasonal Trailer Parks:

Operators/Managers must adhere to the following requirements in order to operate during the COVID-19 pandemic. This guidance is effective until further notice. If your facility cannot adhere to these restrictions, your facility must remain closed until further notice.

- 1. Only units that are completely independent or self-contained are permitted to stay at your facility or be occupied at this time.** (i.e. these are units that can operate independently or with connections to sewer, water and electric systems. They must contain a water flushed or a properly installed and maintained alternative toilet, lavatory, bath, shower and kitchen sink.)
- 2. No dependent camping sites are permitted to be rented at any recreational facility until further notice.** (i.e. these are units that are not independent or self-contained – do not have a permanent toilet, lavatory or shower facility and are dependent upon a service building for toilet, lavatory and shower facilities). The areas of your campground/recreational facility that would normally accommodate dependent campers/persons must remain closed and unoccupied until further notice.
- 3. Only Transient camping with self-contained units are permitted at this time** (i.e. short-term (for example daily, weekly or monthly rentals). Only Rhode Island residents are allowed to stay, and persons who are in this state for an extended stay and have either completed 14 days of self-quarantining or have at least a 14-day site reservation with a self-contained unit should be allowed to stay.
- 4. Recreational facilities should remain secured so that admittance can be monitored by the operator/manger.**

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5. Close and lock all public amenities such as, but not limited to, restrooms, bathhouses, pools, recreation halls, exercise rooms, pavilions, common areas and playgrounds, etc. until further notice. (With the following exceptions: employees should have access to restrooms, which should be disinfected frequently throughout the day. At the discretion of the facility owner/operator, the following amenities may be made available to campers; retail stores and laundromats. For these two items, if the facility owner/operator chooses to open it must require compliance with social distancing guidelines including, limiting the number of people using the amenity and cleaning/disinfecting procedures following accordance with CDC guidelines).
6. The facility owner/operator should adopt strict mitigation measures to limit guest-to-guest and staff-to-staff interaction, adhering to social distancing protocols by maintaining at least 6 feet distance from any other person and advise that face coverings must be worn when the person is not within their immediate campsite. Staff must be provided with face coverings.
7. Where possible, all business interactions with registered guests should be telephonic or through on-line or mobile registration means.
8. Any social community gatherings should be cancelled until further notice.
9. All people must adhere to social distancing protocols (at least 6 feet distance from any other person, they are not quarantining with), wear a face covering, and wash hands in accordance with CDC guidelines.
10. No visitors and/or off-site guests should be allowed until further notice. With the exception for essential services/deliveries such as groceries, home care, supplies etc.
11. Residents/customers who violate these rules should be asked to leave the facility.
12. The potential for transmission via water uptake is uncertain at this time and therefore swimming in natural waters is not advised until further notice. At the discretion of the facility owner/operator, the following activities may be made available in accordance with social distancing protocols, boating and use of boat ramps. Click here for resources for patrons http://www.dem.ri.gov/programs/media/documents/DEM-marina-distanceRI-1_vF.pdf. Additional information and guidance can be found at RIDEM under the heading "Marinas" at: <http://www.dem.ri.gov/programs/media/covid19.php>

Quarantine Requirements for all Out-of-State Visitors Coming to RI:

Prior to the arrival of any person, you must advise any person coming to Rhode Island from another state, that will be staying at your facility, that they must immediately self-quarantine for 14 days. Quarantine information can be found at the RI Department of Health (RIDOH) website:

<https://health.ri.gov/diseases/ncov2019/>.

- Facility owners/managers are encouraged to monitor quarantined people to ensure they follow the 14-day quarantine requirement.
- Guests should be encouraged to bring their own groceries and supplies to last them through the 14-day quarantine.
- If someone arrives at your facility with flu-like symptoms, they need to immediately contact their healthcare provider or RIDOH at: (401) 222- 8022. If calling after normal business hours, they can call: 211.



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- Any person quarantined pursuant to this provision shall not leave their place of quarantine for any reason other than to seek necessary medical treatment. Therefore, operators/managers should advise all people arriving to Rhode Island from another state that they should have enough food and essential items for at least 14 days, since they will not be allowed to leave their place of quarantine. They are required to stay indoors during self-quarantine.
- Any person intending to come to Rhode Island from another state for a period shorter than 14 days should be discouraged from doing so, since they must immediately self-quarantine upon arrival in Rhode Island for 14 days every time they enter Rhode Island.
- Any cases of COVID-19 must be promptly reported to RIDOH at: (401) 222-8022.

Drive-in Movie Theaters:

Drive-in Operators must adhere to the following requirements in order to operate during the COVID-19 pandemic. This guidance is effective until further notice and may change at any time. However, if your drive-in theater cannot adhere to these requirements, your facility must remain closed until further notice.

1. Where possible, business interactions with customers should be online, telephonic or through mobile pre-ticket purchasing means. Face-to-face interaction should be discouraged and limit customer-staff and staff-to-staff interaction.
2. Limit the number of vehicles allowed in the facility to accommodate vehicle spacing of at least every other parking space.
3. Staff must be provided with and wear face coverings.
4. Occupants of vehicles should be advised they must wear a face covering when windows are down and at all time when outside the vehicle.
5. Advise customers to stay in, or near their vehicles as much as possible and practice social distancing when they are in proximity of others.
6. If restrooms are kept open, staff must monitor by limiting the number of people who enter to not more than 5 people at one time (unless a restroom is too small to enable 6-foot social distancing for 5 people, in which case the limit should be smaller) and adhere to social distancing protocols. Restrooms shall be kept extra clean and disinfected every 30 minutes.
7. Only take-out orders are permitted at the concession stand. Where possible, utilize online, telephonic or mobile ordering. Face-to-face interaction should be discouraged and limit customer-staff and staff-to-staff interaction. If a 6-foot distance cannot be achieved between customers and staff at take-out windows, a plexiglass type shield should be put in place between staff and customers. Staff must monitor customers to make sure they are adhering to social distancing protocols while ordering or picking-up food. Customers should be spaced at least 6-feet apart from each other when in line and waiting. Orders can be delivered to vehicles by staff or customers can pick-up orders from a take-out window. A pager system can be used to alert customers to pick-up their order to avoid lines. If using pagers, they must be disinfected after each use.
8. Must adhere to social distancing protocols and CDC guidelines for disinfecting at all times.
9. Playgrounds, play areas, or any other amenities should be closed until further notice.
10. Customers who violate these rules should be asked to leave the facility.



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Beach Clubs:

Indoor facilities and all other amenities normally made available to guests shall remain closed. However, through May 23, 2020, or if this date is extended by Executive Order, beach clubs that have a food establishment license can continue to offer takeout orders for pick-up, drive-thru, or delivery. With possession of the appropriate liquor license beach clubs can also offer takeout beer, wine and mixed drinks with food orders. Outside dining may be offered if establishments can meet the requirements pursuant to Executive Order 20-32 and as outlined in ReopeningRI.com at:

https://www.reopeningri.com/resource_pdfs/RI-Restaurant_Guidance_Phase-I-%2005.11.20.pdf.

Otherwise, guests must pick-up orders and take home, there is no on-site food consumption allowed unless the establishment can meet the requirements for outside dining. No congregating on the premises is permitted. Operators/managers shall be responsible for making sure their guests understand they must leave the premises with their orders.

Facilities that shall remain closed until further notice:

- Tourist Cabins or Cottages that do not have rooms that are self-contained to accommodate guests to self-quarantine for 14 days (i.e. kitchens for cooking, refrigerators which can accommodate 14-days of food supplies, and in room bathrooms with a sink and toilet).
- Any recreational Facility that has dependent camping (such as: Boys & Girls camps, summer camps, day camps, adult/youth camps, etc.)

Where not specified above, all facilities should follow the general guidance from the Rhode Island Department of Health (RIDOH) and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) regarding gathering sizes and social distancing.

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