

CORONAVIRUS RESPONSE REQUIREMENTS, MAY 1 TO MAY 31

Please see complete details in Executive Order 21-09 [here](#).

REQUIREMENTS FOR ALL HOOSIERS:

1. Face coverings recommended for all Hoosiers. Local governments, businesses and other entities may impose more stringent requirements
2. Face coverings are required in all state of Indiana facilities, and all COVID testing and vaccination sites
3. All K-12 schools are required to follow face covering requirements as outlined in EO 21-09
4. The state will continue to provide weekly assessments via a color-coded system to inform Hoosiers about the status of COVID-19 in each county and across Indiana. Any limits on venue capacity or social gatherings will be determined by local officials. The following are guidelines for consideration to limit community spread:
 - Blue – 100 percent capacity
 - Yellow – 50 percent capacity
 - Orange – 25 percent capacity
 - Red – up to 25 percent capacity
5. All businesses are required to maintain a COVID response plan that includes safeguards and measures to ensure a safe environment for employees, customers, clients, and members
6. Businesses should communicate to all employees that their activities outside of work have the potential to increase the spread of COVID in their workplaces and communities
7. All customers in restaurants, bars and nightclubs are recommended to be seated when receiving service. Individuals from non-household parties should be spaced 6 feet apart at tables, counters or other seating arrangements
8. Hoosier pre-K to 12 schools should consult with their local department of health and use the Indiana Department of Health metrics for decisions about in-person, hybrid and virtual opportunities for the remainder of the current school year
9. All Hoosiers should maintain social distancing of six feet in public spaces, inside or outside, and especially when with others who are not members of your immediate household
10. Wash your hands frequently; use hand-sanitizer when hand-washing is not available
11. If you test positive for COVID, isolate according to CDC guidelines
12. Do not go to work or other locations when you feel sick or symptomatic. Free COVID tests are available throughout the state
13. Hoosiers 65 and older and those with known high-risk medical conditions, especially those who have not been vaccinated, should remain vigilant about protecting their exposure to COVID. Hoosiers who will be in contact with those individuals should remain cautious
 - Do not visit if you are symptomatic or have received a positive COVID test
 - Face coverings are recommended
14. Hoosiers who will be in contact with individuals 65 and older and those with known high-risk medical conditions, especially those who have not been vaccinated, should remain cautious

COVID-19 COUNTY METRICS AND GUIDELINES

The Indiana Department of Health has established a color-coded county map that measures weekly cases per 100,000 residents and the seven-day positivity rate for all tests completed. Each county is assigned a color based on the average of scores for the two metrics. The map is updated each Wednesday at www.coronavirus.in.gov. These guidelines are designed to inform local decision-making.

BLUE. The county has a point score of below 1.0 when percent positivity and new cases per 100,000 residents are combined. There is low community spread.

- All general requirements are in effect
- Current activities continue
- Communities should evaluate the source of positive tests, undertake targeted testing, quarantine, and isolate

YELLOW. The county has a point score of 1.0 to 1.5 when percent positivity and new cases per 100,000 residents are combined. There is moderate community spread.

- All general requirements are in effect
- Communities should evaluate the source of positive tests, undertake targeted testing, quarantine, and isolate
- Local public health officials, health care providers, elected officials, school leadership and other key local leaders should convene regularly to discuss actions that could be implemented to decrease the spread of COVID in their communities
- Consider restrictions on the size of social gatherings and events

ORANGE. The county has a point score of 2.0 to 2.5 when percent positivity and new cases per 100,000 residents are combined. Community spread is approaching high levels.

- All general requirements are in effect
- Communities should evaluate the source of positive tests, undertake targeted testing, quarantine, and isolate
- Local public health officials, health care providers, elected officials, school leadership and other key local leaders should convene regularly to discuss actions that could be implemented to decrease the spread of COVID in their communities
- Strongly consider limiting the size of social gatherings and events

RED. The county has a point score of 3.0 or higher when percent positivity and new cases per 100,000 residents are combined. Very high positivity and community spread.

- All general requirements are in effect
- Communities should evaluate the source of positive tests, undertake targeted testing, quarantine, and isolate
- Local public health officials, health care providers, elected officials, school leadership and other key local leaders must convene regularly to discuss actions that could be implemented to decrease the spread of COVID in their communities
- Hospitals, long-term care and other congregate settings may impose visitation limits
- Social gatherings should be limited
- Capacity at all events should be limited to reduce virus spread
- Businesses should consider capacity restrictions and adhere to social distancing guidelines