



Winter Outdoor Dining in Hoboken

City of Hoboken COVID-19 Small Business Recovery Strategy
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Gov. Murphy Executive Order 183

- As of September 4, food or beverage establishments are permitted to offer **in-person service at indoor areas**, with the following requirements:
 - Number of patrons in indoor areas limited to 25% of indoor capacity, excluding employees
 - Tables must be 6 ft apart in all directions from any other table or seat, including individual seats in bar areas
 - Patrons must wear face coverings while inside walking to restrooms, until food arrives, and after eating
 - Patrons must only consume food or beverages, and place orders while seated at a table or bar
 - Only servers may bring food or beverage to patrons

Gov. Murphy Executive Order 163



When it is not practicable for individuals in outdoor public spaces to socially distance and keep a six-foot distance from others... all individuals shall wear face coverings”

Outdoor Business Options



SIDEWALK CAFÉ EXPANSION

- Daily use of sidewalk area in front of business for restaurant seating or retail

strEATERY

- Daily use of curbside parking space(s) for restaurant seating or retail

PARKLET

- Seasonal use of curbside parking space(s) as a platform extension of the sidewalk for restaurant seating or retail

OPEN STREETS

- Temporary scheduled closure of certain blocks of streets for restaurant seating or retail

MASK UP & KEEP



SOCIAL DISTANCE

MASK UP AND SOCIAL DISTANCE

- **MASK UP sign should be posted in outdoor dining area.**
- **6' egress for pedestrians must be provided in a straight path that is clear of any obstructions.**
- **Tables and chairs must be set 6' apart measured from the back of opposite facing chairs or from table-to-table where they are set side by side.**
- **No standing occupancy is allowed in the outdoor dining area.**
- **Waiting customers are not permitted to congregate.
Recommend taking reservations or cell phone numbers to call customers when their table is ready.**



NO MASK = NO ENTRY

- **NO MASK NO ENTRY** sign should be posted at entrance.
- **Customers must wear a mask to and from the restroom.**
- **6' social distancing marks should be placed on the floor for restroom lines.**

Hours of Operation

- **Sidewalk cafes, strEATERIES and parklets shall be closed at 11 PM every night for the remainder of the season.**
- **Business is responsible for ensuring that the last seating allows for adequate time to meet these hours of operation.**

Entertainment

- **NO DJs and NO amplified music, broadcast announcements or speakers are allowed in outdoor dining areas including sidewalk cafes, strEATERIES, parklets, and Summer Streets. Live acoustic music is permitted until 10 PM.**
- **All outdoor entertainment should end by 10 PM.**
- **TVs and projectors are allowed but must be on mute.**
- **TVs and projectors cannot be permanently attached to the structure, and must be returned inside at the end of the day.**
- **Sound from indoor speakers or entertainment should not be plainly audible beyond the property line.**

Outdoor Dining Permit Extensions

- **New applications for expanded sidewalk cafés, Parklet, and strEATERY permits will be accepted until October 1, 2020.**
- **Parklet and strEATERY permits currently expire on October 31, 2020.**
- **Permit holders must apply for a permit extension by October 15, 2020 and receive City approval to continue operating until December 31, 2021.**
- **Separate permit extension process applies for County roads.**
- **State ABC COVID-19 Extension of Premises permits are valid through November 30, 2020.**

Outdoor Dining Permit Extensions

- **Approved sidewalk café equipment should be broken down and properly secured overnight from April to September, and must be removed overnight from October to March.**
- **Approved strEATERY materials should be broken down and properly secured overnight year round.**
- **Approved parklets will require a snow removal plan to remove snow from the parklet and from 4' in all directions adjacent to the parklet.**

Structures or Seasonal Canopies

- **Per EO 163, “food or beverage establishments are permitted to offer in-person service at outdoor areas, defined as open air spaces that either 1) have no roof or cover or 2) have a fixed roof or temporary or seasonal awning or cover, with at least two open sides that would comprise over 50 % of the total wall space if the space were fully enclosed.”**
- **Shade, seasonal canopies, sheds, or other structures more than 50% enclosed would be considered indoor dining.**
- **Seasonal canopies must be removed during storms or snow events.**
- **Structures may remain during snow events, if approved by the Building Department.**

Structures or Seasonal Canopies

- **Temporary “pop-up” seasonal canopies less than 10’ x 10’ do not require a permit. Larger canopies require approval from the Hoboken Building Department and Hoboken Fire Department.**
- **Businesses in the Washington-Hudson Historic District or Terminal Historic District shall not attach seasonal canopies to their building and shall not drill or otherwise create holes in the building façade without first obtaining a Certificate of No Effect from the Historic Preservation Office.**
- **All installations should be either free-standing to not affect the building or should be designed so as to avoid non-reversible damage to the façade.**

Heat: Propane

- **Propane or any other heater with an LP cylinder requires a permit from the Hoboken Fire Department.**
- **Heater cannot be placed within 5' of building, under an overhang or canopy, or within 5' of anything combustible.**
- **Fire extinguisher must be located within 25' of heater.**
- **Patrons must not interact with heater.**
- **Heat tank cannot be stored inside or within 10' of the establishment (heater can, but tank must be removed).**
- **Heater must be removed during storms or snow events.**
- **Heater must automatically turn off when tipped over. Tip drill shall be performed to ensure safety.**
- **Heater must be UL listed with classifications and safety instructions from manufacturer. Personnel must understand the functionality of the heater.**

Heat: Electric

- **Electric heater requires approval from the Hoboken Building Department.**
- **Fire extinguisher must be located within 25' of heater.**
- **Patrons must not interact with heater.**
- **Heater must be removed during storms or snow events.**
- **Heater must be UL listed with classifications and safety instructions from manufacturer. Personnel must understand the functionality of the heater.**

Snow Removal

- **Permit extensions will require an approved snow removal plan, tailored to specific permitted location.**
- **Snow removal plan shall indemnify the City and County from snow plowing in roadways.**
- **Sidewalk cafés and strEATERIES must be removed daily, and during storms or snow events.**
- **Parklets must remove snow from the parklet and from 4' in all directions adjacent to the parklet.**
- **Parklets on Snow Emergency Routes may be required to be removed for reasons of public safety.**

Questions? Contact

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STRUCTURES OR SEASONAL CANOPIES

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