

Mendocino County Public Health



Guidelines for Drive-In and Drive-Through Events

Although gatherings are currently banned by the State except for faith-based services and cultural ceremonies as well as protests, the County permits events with a limited number of individuals practicing social distancing to be recorded or live-streamed so that multiple individuals can participate remotely, including in their vehicles, with the following limitations:

Event Participant Requirements

- The live portion of the event must involve not more than 12 individuals. These 12 individuals must be the same 12 individuals for the entire event, such that for an event like a graduation, the practice of graduates walking across a stage and shaking hands would not be permitted. If the event is a reoccurring event, the event must not involve more than 6 individuals and must be a Work Group. A Work Group is defined as a Stable Group of 6 individuals, a group of individuals with not more than six (6) members over a 4 week time period, who engage in certain work-related activities, such as employment, volunteer activities, and the live-streaming or video-recording of events.
- Social Distancing Requirements should be maintained between the individuals participating in the live event to the extent possible, including:
 - maintaining at least six feet of physical distancing from other individuals (physical distancing not required for members of the same household, living unit or Stable Group);
 - frequently washing hands with soap and water for at least twenty seconds as frequently as possible or using hand sanitizer that is recognized by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention as effective in combatting COVID-19, covering coughs or sneezes (into the sleeve or elbow, not hands);
 - o regularly cleaning high-touch surfaces, not shaking hands; and
 - o wearing facial coverings as much as possible for those who are not on camera;
- The participants in the live portion of the event should also take measures to ensure that any additional risk of transmission of COVID-19, due to singing or any similar activity, is mitigated. Such measures may include the use of a plexiglass screen between singers in the same venue, proper ventilation, distancing greater than six feet, and ensuring singers are not positioned face-to-face.

Remote Participant Requirements

- Participation in the event can be done remotely from one's home or one's vehicle, including that people in a household or living unit, or Stable Group, may travel to a particular location together to view the live-streamed or video-recorded event as a group, while remaining in their vehicles.
 - "Stable Group" means a Stable Group of 12 individuals who form a Household Support Unit, or up to 14 children with 2 supervising adults forming a Childcare Group or a Children's Extracurricular Activity Group, as defined in the County's Shelter in Place Order and State Cohort Guidance, for the purposes of engaging in those activities allowed under this Order. Stable Groups are not required to engage in social distancing from each other when they are engaging in activities

- permitted under this order, but they should continue to comply with all other applicable requirements (i.e., staying home while sick, obeying quarantine and isolation orders, etc.).
- When people are viewing such event in their vehicles, the vehicles must be parked at least 6 feet apart.

Additional Safety Considerations

- Social distancing and hygiene practices are required for any restroom facilities. Additionally the event organizer should consider the length of the event such that the least number of individuals will require the use of a restroom during the event.
- For a drive-in event, the organizer should plan the even in a way that people do not need to leave their vehicles running during the event, such as holding the event during a cool part of the day or limiting the duration of the event.
- The event organizer should take steps to limit the number of individuals at a single event, such as breaking large events into multiple smaller events.

Drive-Through Events

• Drive-through events should comply with all rules similar to curbside pickup including but not limited to encouraging social distancing during pickup, e.g., loading items directly into a person's trunk; taking steps to minimize shared contact points; and using facial covering.

Permissible Stable Groups for Adults and Children

Adults	Children
Household Support Group	Household Support Group
	Children's Extracurricular Activity Group
	Childcare Group