

Town of Chester
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In compliance with Governor Lamont's Executive Order allowing the reopening of restaurants for outdoor dining, the following guidelines are to be followed for those operating in the Town of Chester.

For further information or with questions, contact:

Judy Brown, Zoning Enforcement Officer

Email: judybrown@chesterct.org

Phone: 860-526-0013, Ext. 208

Town Restaurant Re-Opening Guidelines:

1. If your restaurant is not already approved for outdoor dining OR you are extending your outdoor dining area, you must submit a request for approval of outdoor dining with a sketch indicating placement of tables and chairs with the measurements of the separation distances between groupings to the Town Zoning Compliance Officer for approval.
2. Submittal must include area to be used for outdoor dining including: parking areas, lawn areas, etc. This includes expansion of any patio approvals.
3. If proposed outdoor dining area is in a parking area, please include a detailed description of how traffic and parking will be handled and monitored to ensure the safety of those dining, service staff and pedestrians.
4. A safety barricade will be required if outdoor dining area is set up in a parking lot. This may include but is not limited to bollards, jersey barriers, or similar.
5. Please note: Establishments with current, in-force liquor permits to serve alcohol are allowed to serve alcohol only with food without applying for a separate patio or extension-of-use permit. Permit documentation verifying validity must accompany the request for approval of outdoor dining submitted to the Zoning Enforcement Officer.
6. The allowance of dining in approved areas is temporary and should not be construed as a permanent approval.

As the Town of Chester continues to encourage the successful reopening of its restaurants and other retail establishments, please follow these guidelines. The goal is to successfully reestablish Chester's vital economy and community. Thank you for helping to make this a success.

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APPLICATION FOR COVID-19 RELATED ZONING REVIEW OF OUTDOOR DINING

Please submit via email completed form and information to judybrown@chesterct.org

Date: _____

Applicant's Name: _____

Business Name: _____

Property Location: _____

Phone #: _____ Email: _____

Description of Proposal including services to be provided: _____

Hours of Operation: _____

Personal Protection to be provided for staff: _____

Attachments REQUIRED:

Sketch showing outside area to be used for dining.

Placement of dining tables and distance between tables.

If using parking areas please show safety measures being installed to separate vehicular traffic and dining area.

Questions:

Are you using additional electricity? Yes _____ No _____

Are you using a tent? Yes _____ No _____

Size: _____

Approvals from all other regulatory authorities must accompany application.

Notice of Approval to be provided by Zoning Compliance Officer and posted on premises.

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Temporary Outdoor Dining Permit

Applicant's Name: _____

Business Name: _____

Property Location: _____

Date Received: _____

Date Reviewed by Zoning Compliance Officer: _____

Approved: _____ **Denied:** _____

Conditions:

Approvals from other regulatory authorities must accompany application

Approval for COVID-19 Temporary Outdoor Dining

Approved: _____ **Date:** _____
Title



State of Connecticut Restaurant Re-Opening Guidelines:

1. For full details, go to:
https://portal.ct.gov//media/DECD/Covid_Business_Recovery/CTReopens_Restaurants_C5_V1.pdf?la=en
2. Only outdoor areas can open at this time. Indoor areas and bar areas shall remain closed.
3. Appoint a program administrator who is accountable for implementing these rules.
4. Institute a training program and ensure employee participation in the program prior to reopen.
5. Complete the self-certification on the DECD website to receive a Reopen CT badge.
6. Employees must wear a facemask or other cloth face covering.
7. Bar areas must be closed.
8. Hand sanitizer made available at the entrance.
9. Indoor areas must be closed.
10. Contactless payment encouraged.
11. No reusable menus; either paper menus or written on a chalkboard or whiteboard.
12. Tables spaced at least 6 feet apart.
13. Use single use packets or containers for condiments.
 - **Restaurant must self-certify with the state;**
 - **Must then apply and be approved by town ZEO (and Fire Marshal if necessary);**
 - **Go through Health District procedure (showing other permits and getting quick inspection by CRAHD)**