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MISSISSIPPI – Back to Business and Safer at Home – COVID-19 (Updated through 12/22/20)

ALL EXECUTIVE ORDERS

https://www.sos.ms.gov/Education-Publications/Pages/Executive-Orders.aspx

DEPT OF HEALTH SITE

https://msdh.ms.gov/msdhsite/_static/14,21866,420.html#EO1507

GENERAL TOPIC	SUMMARY	
General	Mississippi has reopened under a "Safe Recovery" order, under which all businesses can operate with capacity limits and other restrictions. See Executive Order 1525, superseded by Exec Order 1535. The restrictions on persons and businesses have been dialed up and down at different times, and more restrictions have been added for certain specified counties. See Executive Orders for current updates	
Stay at Home	No stay at home order (except see below re infected persons and their households). All individuals currently living in Mississippi are "strongly encouraged" to follow CDC guidelines, including social distancing, avoiding large gatherings, wearing masks, etc. See Exec Order 1535 and updates at Exec Orders . See DOH Site Persons are ordered to self-isolate if they are infected with COVID 19 DOH Order to Isolate All household members of an infected person are ordered to quarantine. DOH Order re Quarantine	
Businesses	Under the Safe Recovery order, all businesses can operate, with certain services and activities restricted, including capacity limits for certain businesses. See Exec Order 1535 and updates at Executive Orders . See DOH Site for sector specific requirements.	
Restaurants/Bars	May operate, including on site dining, subject to capacity limits and other requirements. Bar hours are reduced to between 7 a.m 11 p.m., and only seated customers can be served. See <u>Exec Order</u> 1535 and updates at <u>Executive Orders</u> . See DOH Site for sector specific requirements	

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Travel	No travel restrictions. Recommendations to follow CDC guidelines.	
Gatherings	Gathering limits have been dialed up and down at different times. Under Exec Order 1535, gatherings are limited to 10 people indoors and 50 outdoors where social distancing is not possible. See Exec Order 1535, DOH Site, Executive Orders for updates.	
Enforcement	The orders may be enforced by all state, county and local law enforcement, as well as by other governmental entities (such as state and local departments of health) to the fullest extent under Mississippi law. Violations of this Order are subject to the provisions of Miss. Code Ann. § 33-15-43.	
Other	Orders also include provisions re courts, evictions, sports, schools, hospitals and other topics.	
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