

Town of Middlebury
Emergency Management Bulletin
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Quarantine Restrictions Relaxed

Out-of-Staters from designated counties in New York, New Hampshire, Maine and Rhode Island can come into Vermont without quarantining. Vermont residents who stay overnight in these counties may also return to Vermont without quarantine or testing. The Department of Financial Regulation is monitoring COVID activity in counties in New England and New York and will periodically update their map. Maine has three “forbidden” counties requiring quarantine on entry or return to Vermont- York, Cumberland, and Androscoggin (down east Maine); New Hampshire 3 southern counties- Merrimack, Rockingham, and Hillsborough. New York counties are primarily everything south of Albany and around metro areas in the west. You can find the map (green colored counties are okay) and its updates at: <https://dfr.vermont.gov/about-us/covid-19/modeling/covid-19-modeling-graphics>

If you are coming in from a restricted area or know people who are, they can fill out the quarantine certification attesting that they have quarantined for 14 days prior to coming to Vermont to lodge. This certificate must be left with the host or hotel clerk. Here is the link to the certificate: <https://accd.vermont.gov/content/be-smart-stay-safe-certificate-of-compliance>

In all cases, the state requests they register with the SARA Alert so they receive updates on their stay. <https://apps.health.vermont.gov/EpiInfoWebSurvey/Home/9c2e5941-1ba7-4ab4-84be-558ba7684f5d>

Come In Out of the Rain and Dine

Limited indoor seating is open starting Monday, the 8th – restricted to a maximum of 25% of capacity with social distancing rules in place as no one had figured out how to dine or drink with a mask on. I’m sure some entrepreneur out there will invent something. You can’t belly up to the bar yet, but you can have your brew or cocktail at a table. You must make reservations so that dining operators can control access. Municipalities are provided the option of keeping indoor dining closed.

The Agency of Commerce and Community Development has updated rules for all of this, at: <https://accd.vermont.gov/news/update-new-work-safe-additions-be-smart-stay-safe-order>
Sector specific rules for dining are at 7.1

Winooski Outbreak

Normally when we hear something breaking out in Chittenden County it refers to people in orange jumpsuits “going over the wall” as it were from the jail. In this case it refers to 36 positive tests in a cluster in Winooski since yesterday. This is not a community wide outbreak, but limited to a social network of families in a congregating living environment. Since discovered, VDH is actively engaged in contact tracing and “boxing” the outbreak in. Over 500 tests were administered in the past few days. Since this is localized, there is no plan right now to have this effect the spigot opening.

Pop-Up Testing Location Change

If you plan on going for pop-up testing next week, the location has been changed. It's NOT at the Legion post, it's going to be held at the Department of Health office at 156 South Village Green, off of Court Street, across the lot from the People's Bank. Future local testing will be held there as well.

Go Back Out in the Rain

Capacity for outdoor camping has now been raised to 50% of capacity. ACCD has also published rules. <https://accd.vermont.gov/news/update-new-work-safe-additions-be-smart-stay-safe-order>
Sector specific rules for lodging, campgrounds, and overnight camping and limited residential are at 6.1 and 8.3