

## City of Rio Grande City

### Business Commitment to Keeping our Community COVID-19 Free

Businesses in operation will continue to follow CDC guidelines. In order to ensure our community continues to stay free of COVID-19, we are requesting every business to commit to social distancing and use of face covering both in and outside of the business. This is an essential step on ensuring we avoid this infectious disease from spreading within our community.

An owner, operator, or representative of \_\_\_\_\_, a business or organization that will continue to operate, I certify that:

#### **Prior to beginning of each work day, the business will screen all employees.**

Send home any employee who has any of the following new or worsening signs or symptoms of possible COVID-19: - Cough - Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing - Chills - Repeated shaking with chills - Muscle pain - Headache - Sore throat - Loss of taste or smell - Diarrhea - Feeling feverish or a measured temperature greater than or equal to 100.0 degrees Fahrenheit - Known close contact with a person who is lab confirmed to have COVID-19.

Do not allow an employee with known close contact to a person who is lab-confirmed to have COVID-19 to return to work until the end of the 14-day self-quarantine period from the last date of exposure (with an exception granted for healthcare workers and critical infrastructure workers). Have employees wash or sanitize their hands upon entering the business. Have employees maintain at least 6 feet separation from other individuals. If such distancing is not feasible, other measures such as face covering, hand hygiene, cough etiquette, cleanliness, and sanitation should be rigorously practiced.

Regularly and frequently clean and disinfect any regularly touched surfaces, such as doorknobs, tables, chairs, and restrooms. Disinfect any items that come into contact with customers. Make hand sanitizer, disinfecting wipes, soap and water, or similar disinfectant readily available to employees and customers. Place readily visible signage at the business to remind everyone of best hygiene practices.

#### **As an employee:**

Before starting the day, each employee should wash hands and wear face covering if interacting face to face with customers. Employees must maintain six (6) feet of separation while in the office. Gathering/meeting of no more than 10 employees should be allowed. If a meeting must be held, video or teleconferencing is preferred. If video or teleconferencing cannot be afforded, minimum six (6) feet of separation between employees should be maintained during meeting.

#### **If you are a restaurant business:**

The capacity to operate under will be based on the Fire Chief occupancy specifications. Parties are to maintain at least 6 feet distance apart from other parties at all times, including while waiting to be seated in the restaurant. Make a hand sanitizing station available upon entry to the restaurant. No tables of more than 6 people. Dining: Do not leave condiments, silverware, flatware, glassware, or other traditional table top items on an unoccupied table. Provide

condiments only upon request, and in single use (non-reusable) portions. Use disposable menus (new for each patron). If a buffet is offered, restaurant employees serve the food to customers. Contactless payment is encouraged. Where not available, contact should be minimized.

**This business will:**

- Provide sanitation supplies accessible to all employees such as disinfectants, hand sanitizer of at least 60% alcohol and antibacterial soap.
- Require every employee and customer to maintain social distancing requirements at all times (at least six (6) feet apart).
- Require every employee in the food industry to wash their hands with soap following the recommended process of no less than 20 seconds.
- Require every employee to wear a protective mask. To avoid bacteria passing from the hands to the mask, hands must be washed before placing mask and the inside of the mask must not be touched. The mask must be changed every four hours.
- Require customers to not enter the business unless they are wearing a mask.
- Control the number of customers in the store and ensure social distancing inside as well as while customers wait outside.
- This business will ensure common areas touched/visited by customers will be sanitized routinely throughout the day. This should be no less than eight times a day (i.e. door handles, countertops).

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ 2020.

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Business Name/Trade Name and Address

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Owner/Operator/Representative

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Phone Number