Bowling Phase 2 and 3 COVID-19 Requirements

All bowling facilities operating must adopt a written procedure for employee safety and customer interaction that is at least as strict as these requirements and complies with the safety and health requirements below.

Bowling:

Phase 2 and Phase 3:
- Two bowlers per lane.
- Only league play and practice for league play allowed.
- No spectators allowed in Phases 2 and 3.
- Bowlers must maintain 6 feet of distance between bowlers in other lanes and in other areas of the facility.
- Sharing of equipment is not allowed.
- Players may not switch between teams in league play.
- Individual lanes are required to schedule 15 minutes between each user for cleaning and sanitizing.
- Shoes and balls, including finger holes, must be disinfected after every use.
- Bowling Phase 2 and Phase 3: Arcades and amusement and/or redemption activities closed.
- Restaurants and pro-shops adhere to required guidelines for food service and retail for the phase that their respective county is in.
- Mask use required. Bowling is not considered an allowable exception for exercise activities or team sports.

Safety and Health Requirements

All businesses have a general obligation to keep a safe and healthy work site in accordance with state and federal law and safety and health rules for a variety of workplace hazards. In addition, they must comply with the following COVID-19 work site-specific safety practices as outlined in the Governor’s “Stay Home, Stay Healthy” Proclamation 20-25, and in accordance with L&I General Requirements and Prevention Ideas for Workplaces and the Washington State Department of Health Workplace and Employer Resources and Recommendations.

Employers must specifically ensure operations follow the main L&I COVID-19 requirements to protect workers, including:

- Educate workers in the language they understand best about coronavirus and how to prevent transmission, and the employer’s COVID-19 policies.
- Maintain minimum six-foot separation between all employees (and customers) in all interactions at all times. When strict physical distancing is not feasible for a specific task, other prevention measures are required, such as use of barriers, minimizing staff or customers in narrow or enclosed areas, and staggering breaks and work shift starts.
- Provide (at no cost to employees) and require the wearing of personal protective equipment (PPE), such as gloves, goggles, face shields and face masks as appropriate or required for the work activity being performed. Cloth face coverings must be worn by every employee not
working alone on the job site unless their exposure dictates a higher level of protection under L&I safety and health rules and guidance.

- Exceptions to this requirement for cloth face coverings include when working alone in an office, vehicle, or at a job site; if the individual is deaf or hard of hearing and is communicating with someone who relies on language cues such as facial markers and expression and mouth movements as a part of communication; if the individual has a medical condition or disability that makes wearing a facial covering inappropriate; or when the job has no in-person interaction.

- For additional details, refer to Washington Coronavirus Hazard Considerations for Employers (except COVID-19 care in hospitals and clinics) Face Coverings, Masks, and Respirator Choices and Which Mask for Which Task?. Cloth face coverings are described in the Department of Health guidance.

- Ensure frequent and adequate hand washing with adequate maintenance of supplies. Use disposable gloves where safe and applicable to prevent virus transmission on tools or other items that are shared.

- Establish a housekeeping schedule that includes frequent cleaning and sanitizing with a particular emphasis on commonly touched surfaces.

- Screen employees for signs/symptoms of COVID-19 at the start of their shift. Make sure sick employees stay home or immediately go home if they feel or appear sick. Cordon off any areas where an employee with probable or confirmed COVID-19 illness worked, touched surfaces, etc. until the area and equipment is cleaned and sanitized. Follow the cleaning guidelines set by the Centers for Disease Control to deep clean and sanitize.

- Post a sign at the entrance to the business that customers are required to wear a cloth face covering.

A site-specific COVID-19 supervisor shall be designated by the employer at each job site to monitor the health of employees and enforce the COVID-19 job site safety plan.

A worker may refuse to perform unsafe work, including hazards created by COVID-19. It is unlawful for an employer to take adverse action against a worker who has engaged in safety-protected activities under the law if the individual’s work refusal meets certain requirements. Information is available in these publications: Safety and Health Discrimination in the Workplace brochure and Spanish Safety and Health Discrimination in the Workplace brochure.

Employees who choose to remove themselves from a work site because they do not believe it is safe to work due to the risk of COVID-19 exposure may have access to certain leave or unemployment benefits. Employers must provide high-risk individuals covered by Proclamation 20-46 with their choice of access to available employer-granted accrued leave or unemployment benefits if an alternative work arrangement is not feasible. Other employees may have access to expanded family and medical leave included in the Families First Coronavirus Response Act, access to unemployment benefits, or access to other paid time off depending on the circumstances. Additional information is available at Novel Coronavirus Outbreak (COVID-19) Resources and Paid Leave under the Washington Family Care Act and the Families First Coronavirus Response Act.

No businesses, including all previously authorized and essential businesses, may operate until they can meet and maintain all the requirements in this document, including providing materials, schedules, and equipment required to comply. Additional considerations may be adopted, as appropriate.
All issues regarding worker safety and health are subject to enforcement action under L&I’s Division of Occupational Safety and Health (DOSH).

- Employers can request COVID-19 prevention advice and help from DOSH: [www.lni.wa.gov/DOSHConsultation](http://www.lni.wa.gov/DOSHConsultation).
- Employee workplace safety and health complaints may be submitted to the DOSH Call Center: 1-800-423-7233 or via email to [adag235@lni.wa.gov](mailto:adag235@lni.wa.gov).