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TO: Interested Stakeholders

FROM: Governor Jay Inslee

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Updated “Restaurants, Taverns, Breweries, Wineries and Distilleries” Section on July 31, 2020

Updated Restaurants, Movie Theaters, and Weddings and Funerals on October 9, 2020

SUBJECT: Gatherings Limited, Live Entertainment Prohibited, Modifications to Restaurants/Taverns, Family Entertainment and Recreational Centers, Card Rooms, Movie Theaters, Weddings and Funerals and Safe Start Plan Adjusted – Proclamations 20-25, “Stay Home – Stay Healthy” through 20-25.6, “Safe Start – Stay Healthy”

This memorandum serves to a) revise the maximum limits of individuals participating in gatherings, b) prohibit live entertainment in Phases 1 through 3 and all modified phases of the Safe Start Plan, and c) adjust various other provisions of the Safe Start Plan.

Gatherings

Effective July 20, 2020, gatherings are not to exceed ten (10) individuals in Phase 3. The existing limitation of five (5) individuals in Modified Phase 1 and Phase 2 is unchanged. For purposes of this memorandum and Washington’s Safe Start Plan, the definition of “gatherings” is likewise unchanged.

The limitations on gatherings do not apply to religious practices, weddings, funerals, business activities, or any other activity covered separately by a Governor-issued memorandum or safety plan.

For any Governor-issued order that expressly refers to the gathering limitations, the new Phase 3 limitation on gatherings will govern.

Live Entertainment

Effective July 20, 2020, all live entertainment is prohibited except performances outdoors for members of the same household where social distancing of a minimum of 10 feet is always maintained from the entertainer and facial coverings are worn by all individuals. “Live entertainment” refers to any activity in which an individual or individuals perform for an audience of an individual or individuals, where all are physically present. This prohibition applies without

regard to the nature or location of the event, whether or not the performer receives compensation, and whether the performer is featured or in the background. This prohibition does not apply to household members within their own homes.

For purposes of this memorandum, “live entertainment” encompasses:

1. All musical performances, including but not limited to, group acts, soloists, and disc jockeys;
2. All stage productions, including but not limited to, theater, dancing, comedy, poetry, acrobatics, performance art, animal stunts, and adult entertainment;
3. Any combination of the activities above; and
4. All substantially similar activities.

Additional Changes to the Safe Start Plan

Effective July 30, 2020, the following changes to the **Safe Start Plan** will apply:

1. Restaurants, Taverns, Breweries, Wineries, and Distilleries.

***** Subsections (a), (c), and (e) updated October 6, 2020 (requirements [here](#)) *****

- a. Alcohol service, delivery, and consumption, including beer, wine, and spirits, service must end at 11:00 p.m.
- b. Vending and other game areas, including billiards, darts, and video games, are prohibited.
- c. In Phase 2, table size is limited to six (6) individuals, and occupancy is 50 percent. In Phase 3, table size is limited to eight (8) individuals, and occupancy is 50 percent.
- d. Bar-area seating is prohibited in all phases; however, counter-style seating is permitted in other areas (both indoor and outdoor), with at least six feet separation between parties
- e. – **Removed** – (formerly the limitation on one household per table)
- f. For purposes of the Safe Start Plan, “bars” are defined as taverns, breweries, wineries, and distilleries.
- g. Indoor service at taverns, breweries, wineries, and distilleries is prohibited, unless food service is provided as described in guidance document
- h. If a temporary structure is erected to provide outdoor service, the structure cannot be enclosed by more than two walls. The limitation on walls applies to both rigid and flexible walls.

2. Family Entertainment and Recreational Centers

Indoor family entertainment and recreational centers, including miniature golf, putt putt, bowling alleys, indoor go-karts, arcades, and substantially similar activities, are prohibited.

3. Card Rooms

Indoor card rooms are prohibited.

4. Movie Theaters

***** Superseded on October 6, 2020 *****

Indoor movie theaters are now permitted to operate at 25 percent capacity in Phase 2 and 50 percent capacity in Phase 3. Please consult the relevant memorandum, [here](#), and the corresponding requirements, [here](#).

5. Weddings and Funerals

***** Superseded on September 16, 2020 *****

Please consult the relevant memorandum, [here](#), and requirements document, [here](#).

General questions about how to comply with Proclamations 20-25 through 20-25.6 can be submitted [here](#).

Violations related to Proclamations 20-25 through 20-25.6 can be reported [here](#).