

Tier 2 Resurgence Mitigations

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Tier 2 mitigations may be applied to regions that are experiencing a sustained resurgence of COVID-19 or regions that have been under more stringent Tier 3 mitigations but have not yet achieved metrics that allow for a resumption of either Tier 1 or Phase 4 Restore Illinois activities. If a region again experiences a sustained resurgence of COVID-19 with Tier 2 mitigations in place, a return to stricter measures may be necessary to curtail further spread. **Tier 2 includes the following mitigations:**

SETTING	MITIGATION REQUIREMENTS
<p>Bars and Restaurants</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All bars and restaurants close at 11pm and may reopen no earlier than 6am the following day • No indoor service • All bar and restaurant patrons should be seated at tables outside • No ordering, seating, or congregating at bar (bar stools should be removed) • Tables should be 6 feet apart • No standing or congregating indoors or outdoors while waiting for a table or exiting • No dancing or standing indoors • No tables exceeding 6 people • Reservations required for each party • No seating of multiple parties at one table • Includes private clubs and country clubs
<p>Meetings, social events and gatherings (including weddings, funerals, potlucks, hotel centers, etc.)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Limit to 10 guests in both indoor and outdoor settings <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Applicable to professional, cultural and social group gatherings. • Not applicable to students participating in-person classroom learning or sports. • This does not reduce the overall facility capacity dictated by general Phase 4 business guidance such as office, personal care, retail, etc. • Hotel room occupancy should be limited to registered guests only, with the maximum allowance being the number of individuals permissible per existing fire code for each applicable guest room • Hotel fitness centers should be closed, or operated only on a reservation model with capacity limited to 25% of the maximum occupancy for the room • No party buses
<p>Organized group recreational activities (including sports and fitness centers)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recreation and sporting facilities limit to lesser of 25 guests or 25% of overall room capacity both indoors & outdoors • No groups of more than 10, including fitness classes, but multiple groups are allowed if separated by impermeable barriers and within overall facility capacity limits • Face coverings must be worn at all times in fitness centers, including while engaged in individual exercise regardless of person or machine spacing • Sports should follow the mitigation measures set forth in the Winter Update to the All Sport Guidelines, which outlines appropriate levels of practice and competition based on individual sport risk • Outdoor Activities (not included in the above exposure settings) continue per current DCEO guidance

In addition, IDPH recommends the following actions be taken:

- Display prominent masking and distancing signage
- Discourage non-essential travel to other states and international locations
- Discourage groups greater than 4 individuals in ages 12 -17 from congregating outside of school
- Promote work from home when possible

IDPH will continue to track the positivity rate in regions requiring additional mitigations to determine if mitigations can be relaxed, if additional mitigations are required, or if current mitigation should remain in place.

- For regions experiencing a resurgence of COVID-19, Tier 2 mitigations may be applied if a region's sustained test positivity rate is between 8 and 12 percent over a 14-day monitoring period (measured with the 7-day rolling average)
- For regions experiencing declining spread of COVID-19, Tier 2 mitigations will go into effect if a region meets the following three metrics:
 - Test positivity rate below 12 percent for three consecutive days (measured with the 7-day rolling average)
 - Available intensive care unit (ICU) capacity greater than or equal to 20 percent for three consecutive days (measured with the 3-day rolling average)
 - A sustained decline in the number of COVID-19 patients in the hospital (measured with the 7-day rolling average over 7 of 10 days)

Please see the Illinois Gaming Board's website for Tier 1 and Tier 2 mitigations for casino gambling and video gaming.

Follow the latest regional metrics at: <https://dph.illinois.gov/regionmetrics>.

For more information on guidance for businesses, please visit the FAQ on [DCEO's website](#).