



**SECTOR SPECIFIC WORKPLACE STANDARDS
FOR DRIVE-IN MOVIE THEATERS TO ADDRESS COVID-19
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Purpose

These sector specific COVID-19 safety standards for Drive-In Movie Theaters are issued to provide Drive-Ins with instructions to help protect against the spread of COVID-19 as in-person services resume.

These standards are minimum requirements only and are not exclusive or exhaustive. The public health data and matrix for disease prevention upon which these guidelines are based can and does change frequently, and the operator of a Drive-In is responsible for adhering to all local, state and federal requirements.

Early Closure

In accordance with the [COVID-19 Order No. 53](#), Requiring Early Closing for Certain Businesses and Activities, Drive-In Movie Theaters must close to the public by 9:30 pm and may not re-open to the public before 5:00 am the following day ("mandatory closing period"). During this daily mandatory closing period, Drive-In Movie Theaters must not admit any customers, patrons, or members of the public. Drive-In Movie Theaters may permit employees to stay on premises during the mandatory closing period.

Vehicles

- Capacity must be reduced to allow for adequate distancing between cars.
- Customers must remain in their vehicles at all times, except when purchasing concessions or using the restroom facilities.

Concessions and Payments

- Concessions may allow dine-in services but must follow [restaurant guidance](#) issued as part of the Commonwealth's ReOpening Plan.
- Concession stand lines must have markers to ensure social distancing.
- Remote payment should be used when possible.

Restrooms

- Lines must have markers to ensure distancing.
- Facilities should be cleaned frequently to minimize the spread of COVID-19.

Uses

- Drive-In Theaters are not restricted in what they show and may show content in addition to movies (e.g., pre-recorded concerts, graduation ceremonies, etc.)
- Live performances must follow the rules for performers in the Theaters and Performance Venues guidance located on the [Reopening Website](#), including distance between performers and between performers and audience members