Guidelines for Reopening Casino and Gaming Areas



This guidance is intended to convey the message of Governor Hogan and the Maryland Strong: Roadmap to Recovery as it relates to Calvert County residents, business owners, workers and visitors at this moment in time. The Roadmap lays out important guiding principles:

Marylanders should continue to wear face coverings or masks in indoor public places.

Marylanders should continue to practice physical distancing.

It is important that all of our actions in the near future are consistent with these guiding principles. Re-opening or changing the way a business or venue operates is a major undertaking. Below we have a collection of general ideas that businesses or owners should take into consideration when developing business-specific plans for re-opening or alteration of operations:

- » The total number of persons permitted cannot exceed 50% of the maximum occupancy.
- » Provide signage and queues for guests indicating proper social distancing and proper hand washing, including restrooms.
- » All gaming tables must be spaced 9 feet apart along all sides.
- » No more than 6 persons can be seated at a table.
- » Gaming machines must be spaced 6 feet apart to maintain proper social distancing between guests.
- » An EPA registered disinfectant is available to properly clean any high contact surfaces.
- » Disinfectant must be available at all times for patrons to wipe down equipment.
- » Assign staff to monitor and disinfect high contact areas (gaming machines, door handles, counters, restrooms, etc) frequently.
- » Provide hand sanitizer for guests and all hand washing stations are readily available.
- » Guests must wear face coverings.
- » Ventilation and HVAC systems are functioning as designed.
- » Implement symptom screening for staff prior to entering the building. These records will be maintained for 30 days.
- » Assigned staff are designated to monitor social distancing and face covering requirements among guests.
- » Staff are trained on the safe use of disinfectants and personal protective equipment.
- » Staff shall wear face coverings when interacting with the other staff and guests. Masks shall cover both mouth and nose.
- » All food service areas should follow the guidelines for restaurants and bars.
- » Develop a response plan for staff to follow should a staff member be exposed to COVID-19 or test positive for COVID-19.

^{*}Requirements may change at any point contingent on health necessities or new directives from the Governor's Office.