



# **MISSOURI** Restaurant News

May 3, 2020



## **Show-Me Strong Recovery Plan – Phase 1 Dining Rooms may Reopen May 4 in Some Communities**

Governor Mike Parson, on April 27, announced a plan to allow most Missouri businesses, including restaurants, to reopen when the current Stay at Home order expires at 11:59 P.M. on Sunday, May 3. Phase 1 of the [\*\*Show-Me Strong Recovery Plan\*\*](#) permits restaurants to open dining rooms under the following conditions:

*Restaurants may offer dining-in services, provided that the limitations on social distancing and other precautionary public health measures, including proper spacing of at least six feet (6') between tables, lack of communal seating areas to parties that are not connected, and having no more than ten (10) people at a single table, are properly adhered to. The continued use of drive-thru, pickup, or delivery options is encouraged.*

Phase 1 will remain in place through Sunday, May 31, and will be re-evaluated before it expires. At that time, it may be restricted further, made less restrictive, or extended in its current form. The Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services issued the official [\*\*Reopening Order\*\*](#) – also on April 27. The Governor's office informed MRA that the capacity restrictions in paragraph 4 *do not apply to restaurants*.

**Note:** The Show-Me Strong Plan allows local officials to order stricter guidelines they feel are necessary for their area.

[\*\*MRA issued its STATEMENT\*\*](#) on the Governor's Plan accompanied by a list of guidelines for restaurant owners to consider as they determine the best course for their business and what will be expected and appreciated by their loyal patrons as they're welcomed back

into restaurant dining rooms.



## MISSOURI RESTAURANT COMMITMENT

The Missouri restaurant industry has an outstanding track record of protecting our employees and guests. To educate the public on additional safety protocols that restaurants may choose to enact as the industry resumes on-premise dining, MRA created the [Missouri Restaurant Commitment](#).

MRA hopes dining establishments will make and post this commitment so that all may see that restaurants have always kept food safety and the health of our customers and staff members our top priority.

**Note:** Two slightly different posters are available; the commitments are the same - only the design is changed.



### Webinar May 7 at 2:00 P.M. CDT

MRA member [ECOLAB](#) invites you to join an informational webinar by a leading expert on COVID-19. The focus of the webinar will be:

- Resuming operations safely and efficiently with the highest level of cleanliness
- Protecting your staff and your guests to maintain the high standards of your brand

Meeting number (access code): 617 766 688

Meeting password: XJePGrgu328

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