

Executive Orders:

9/30/2020

Executive Order 20-246; Local Government Public Meetings ([EO 20-246](#))

- Extends Executive Order 20-69 regarding virtual local government public meetings for one month. Beginning November 1, 2020, local government bodies should prepare to meet in person as required by Florida law.

9/25/2020

Executive Order 20-244; Phase 3, Right to Work, Business Certainty, Suspension of Fines ([EO 20-244](#))

- Eliminates all prior state-level restrictions on businesses, such as restaurants.
- Provides that no COVID-19 emergency ordinance may prevent an individual from working or operating a business.
- Provides that restaurants may not be limited by a COVID-19 emergency order by any local government to less than 50% of their indoor capacity. If a restaurant is limited to less than 100% of its indoor capacity, such COVID-19 emergency order must satisfy the following:
 - Quantify the economic impact of each limitation or requirements on those restaurants; and explain why each limitation or requirement is necessary for public health.
- Suspends the collection of fines and penalties associated with COVID-19 enforced upon individuals.

9/11/2020

Executive Order 20-223; Miami-Dade and Broward Counties ([EO 20-223.pdf](#))

- Approved Miami-Dade and Broward counties to move into Phase 2 of the Governor's Safe. Smart. Step-by-Step. Plan for Florida's Recovery.

9/4/2020

Executive Order 20-214; Palm Beach County ([EO 20-214.pdf](#))

- Approved Palm Beach County to move into Phase 2 of the Governor's Safe. Smart. Step-by-Step. Plan for Florida's Recovery.

Executive Order 20-213; Emergency Management - Extension of Executive Order 20-52 COVID-19 ([EO 20-213.pdf](#))

- Extends the previous declaration of emergency in EO 20-52 for an additional 60 days as a result of COVID-19. The state of emergency is now good through November 3, 2020.

9/1/2020

Executive Order 20-212; Bright Futures ([EO 20-212.pdf](#))

- Extends the deadline for students graduating in the 2019-20 school year to earn the minimum qualifying SAT or ACT score to earn a Bright Futures scholarship until December 1, 2020.

8/31/2020

Executive Order 20-211; Limited Extension of Mortgage Foreclosure and Eviction Relief ([EO 20-211.pdf](#))

- Provides a limited extension to Executive Order 20-180 for one month, or until 12:01 a.m. on October 1, 2020.
- The EO only halts the final action of certain foreclosures and evictions for persons affected by the COVID-19 emergency. The EO does not cover tenants whose lease expires or when non-payment occurs due to reasons other than the COVID-19 emergency.
- The EO applies only to residential tenants, not to commercial evictions.

8/28/2020

Executive Order 20-210; ([EO 20-210.pdf](#))

- Delays the renewal deadline through December 31, 2020 for the holder of any license, permit, registration, or certificate issued by the Department of Business and Professional Regulation or Division of Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco, for the purposes of engaging in the manufacturing, sale, or distribution of alcoholic beverages in the State of Florida.

8/7/2020

Executive Order 20-193; Amending Executive Order 20-179 ([EO 20-193.pdf](#))

- Extends Executive Order 20-69 regarding local government public meetings until 12:01 a.m. on October 1, 2020.

8/6/2020

Executive Order 20-192; Amending Executive Orders 20-68, 20-139, 20-166, and 20-179 ([EO 20-192.pdf](#))

- Directs the Department of Business and Professional Regulation to ensure restaurants implement employee screening protocols based off CDC guidance.
- Rescinds the requirement that people traveling into Florida have to quarantine for 14 days.

7/29/2020

Executive Order 20-180; Limited Extension of Mortgage Foreclosure and Eviction Relief ([EO 20-180.pdf](#))

- Extends Executive Order 20-94, as extended by Executive Orders 20-121, 20-137 and 20-159, and as amended herein, until 12:01 a.m. on September 1, 2020.
- Amends EO 20-94 to only apply to those negatively impacted by COVID-19. Once an individual is no longer affected, all late payments are due.

Executive Order 20-179; Emergency Management – COVID-19 – Local Government Public Meetings ([EO 20-179.pdf](#))

- Extends Executive Order 20-69, as extended by Executive Orders 20-112, 20-123, 20-139 and 20-150, until 12:01 a.m. on September 1, 2020, which suspend state requirements that local governmental bodies have a physical quorum for certain public meetings.

7/7/2020

Executive Order 20-166; Emergency Management – Extension of Executive Order 20-52–COVID-19 (EO 20-166.pdf)

- Extends the previous declaration of emergency in EO 20-52 for an additional 60 days as a result of COVID-19. The state of emergency is now good through September 5, 2020.

6/30/2020

Executive Order 20-159; Limited Extension of Mortgage Foreclosure and Eviction Relief (EO 20-159.pdf)

- Extends Executive Order 20-94, as extended by Executive Orders 20-121 and 20-137, until 12:01 a.m. on August 1, 2020.

6/23/2020

Executive Order 20-150; Emergency Management – COVID-19 – Local Government Public Meetings (EO-20-150.pdf)

- Extends Executive Order 20-69 regarding local government public meetings until 12:01 a.m. on August 1, 2020.

6/3/2020

Executive Order 20-139; Phase 2: Safe. Smart. Step-by-Step. Plan for Florida’s Recovery (EO-20-139.pdf)

- Articulates Governor DeSantis’ Phase 2 plan to reopen Florida and provides an effective date of Friday, June 5 at 12:01 a.m.
- 64 counties with the exception of Miami-Dade, Broward and Palm Beach counties, may begin Phase 2. Those three counties can be considered upon approval with a written request from the County Mayor or the County Administrator.
- Extends Executive Orders 20-80 and 20-82 with exceptions for persons involved in commercial activity and students traveling for the purpose of academic work, internships, sports training and any other activity or program approved by the educational institution.
- The EO allows:
 - Restaurants and other establishments, and bars and other vendors, to operate at 50% indoor capacity. All bar areas may be open with seated service. This section does not apply to nightclubs.
 - Entertainment businesses, including movie theaters, concert houses, auditoriums, playhouses, bowling alleys, and arcades may operate at 50% percent building capacity.
 - Pari-mutuel facilities to operate with a written request from the County Mayor or the County Administrator and after approval from DBPR.
 - Personal services, including tattooing, body piercing, acupuncture, tanning and massage, to operate with appropriate safety guidelines as outlined by the Department of Health.
- Extends Executive Order 20-69 until June 30, 2020.

6/1/2020

Executive Order 20-137; Limited Extension of Mortgage Foreclosure and Eviction Relief ([EO-20-137.pdf](#))

- Extends Executive Order 20-94 until July 1, 2020.

5/22/2020

Executive Order 20-131; Expanding Full Phase 1: Safe. Smart. Step-by-Step. Plan for Florida's Recovery ([EO 20-131.pdf](#))

- Enables organized youth activities to operate effective immediately.

5/15/2020

Executive Order 20-123; Full Phase 1: Safe. Smart. Step-by-Step. Plan for Florida's Recovery ([EO 20-123.pdf](#))

- Articulates the "Full Phase 1" standards and provides an effective date of Monday, May 18th. Those standards include:
 - An expansion of the lawful capacity of restaurants, museums, libraries and retail establishments to 50% with proper social distancing.
 - The opening of gyms and fitness centers at 50% capacity with appropriate social distancing and sanitation practices.
 - A process by which counties may seek state approval to operate vacation rentals within their jurisdiction and amusement parks may submit plans for reopening with local approval.

5/14/2020

Executive Order 20-122; Broward and Miami-Dade Counties to Phase 1: Safe. Smart. Step-by-Step. Plan for Florida's Recovery ([EO 20-122.pdf](#))

- Broward and Miami-Dade Counties are allowed to begin Phase 1, outlined in EO-112, effective May 18th at 12:01 a.m.

Executive Order 20-121; Limited Extension of Mortgage Foreclosure and Eviction Relief ([EO 20-121.pdf](#))

- Extends Executive Order 20-94 until 12:01 a.m. on June 2, 2020.
- Suspends mortgage foreclosures for residential and commercial properties and eviction for non-payments of rent by residential tenants due to COVID-19 until June 2.
- Does not relieve an individual from their obligation to make mortgage or rent payments.

5/9/2020

Executive Order 20-120; Expanding Phase 1: Safe. Smart. Step-by-Step. Plan for Florida's Recovery ([EO 20-120.pdf](#))

- Palm Beach County is allowed to begin Phase 1, outlined in EO-112, effective May 11th at 12:01 a.m.
- Barbershops, hair salons and nail salons that adopt appropriate social distancing and safety measures as outlined by DBPR may re-open beginning May 11th.

5/8/2020

Executive Order 20-114; Extension of Executive Order 20-52 – COVID-19 ([EO 20-114.pdf](#))

- Extends the state of emergency declared in EO 20-52 for 60 days.

4/29/2020

Executive Order 20-112; Phase 1: Safe. Smart. Step-by-Step. Plan for Florida’s Recovery ([EO 20-112.pdf](#))

- Articulates Governor DeSantis’ Phase 1 plan to reopen Florida. This includes allowing:
 - Restaurants and food establishments on-premises consumption of food and beverage, so long as they adopt appropriate social distancing measures and limit their indoor occupancy to no more than 25 percent of their building occupancy.
 - In-store retail sales establishments to open storefronts if they operate at no more than 25 percent of their building occupancy and abide by the safety guidelines issued by the CDC and OSHA.
 - Museums and libraries to open at no more than 25 percent of their building occupancy
 - Elective surgeries at hospital ambulatory surgical centers, office surgery centers, dental offices, orthodontic offices, endodontic offices or other health care practitioners' offices.

EO 20-112 continues to strongly encourage senior citizens and individuals with a significant underlying medical condition to stay at home. Additionally, it states that all persons in Florida should continue to avoid large groups, avoid nonessential travel and adhere to guidelines from the CDC regarding isolation for 14 days following travel on a cruise or from any international destination and any area with a significant presence of COVID-19. **This EO excludes Miami-Dade, Broward and Palm Beach Counties.**

Executive Order 20-111; Limited Extension of Essential Services and Activities and Vacation Rental Prohibition ([EO 20-111.pdf](#))

- Extends Executive Orders 20-87 and 20-91 until 12:01 am May 4, 2020.

4/16/2020

Executive Order 20-104; Emergency Temporary Action Related to Unemployment Compensation ([EO 20-104.pdf](#))

- Suspends the biweekly “actively seeking work” reporting requirement by claimants.

4/10/2020

Executive Order 20-103; Extending Executive Order 20-87 on Vacation Rental Closures ([EO 20-103.pdf](#))

- Extends Executive Order 20-87, related to vacation rentals, until April 30, 2020.

4/8/2020

Executive Order 20-97; Municipal Elections in Pasco County ([EO 20-97.pdf](#))

- Delays elections in Pasco County at the request of Pasco County Supervisor of Elections Brian Corley.

4/6/2020

Executive Order 20-95; Documentary Stamps for SBA Loans (https://www.flgov.com/wp-content/uploads/orders/2020/EO_20-95.pdf)

- Directs the Department of Revenue to issue an emergency order suspending document stamp taxation imposed under Chapter 201, Florida Statutes, for notes and other written obligations made pursuant to Title I of the CARES Act. In short, the Governor's order allows employers receiving money from the Paycheck Protection Program and Economic Injury Disaster Loan to use the full dollar amount to pay employees, rent and other bills.

4/2/2020

Executive Order 20-94; Emergency Management – COVID-19 – Mortgage Foreclosure and Eviction Relief (https://www.flgov.com/wp-content/uploads/orders/2020/EO_20-94.pdf)

- Suspends mortgage foreclosures for residential and commercial properties and eviction for non-payments of rent by residential tenants due to COVID-19 emergency for 45 days.
- Does not relieve an individual from their obligation to make mortgage or rent payments

Executive Order 20-93; COVID-19 Emergency Order – Reemployment Assistance Program (https://www.flgov.com/wp-content/uploads/orders/2020/EO_20-93.pdf)

- Directs the Department of Economic Opportunity (DEO) and other executive agencies to take necessary actions to improve DEO's Reemployment Assistance Program. These actions include emergency procurement of resources needed to accommodate the increase in the number of applications.

4/1/2020

Executive Order 20-92; Amends Executive Order 20-91; Essential Services and Activities During COVID-19 Emergency (https://www.flgov.com/wp-content/uploads/orders/2020/EO_20-92.pdf)

- Allows local governments to adopt stricter regulations than what is contained within Executive Order 20-91 and makes clear that local governments may not add essential services to the list of those so designated in EO-91 without approval from the State Coordinating Officer in coordination with the Surgeon General.

Executive Order 20-91; Essential Services and Activities During COVID-19 Emergency (https://www.flgov.com/wp-content/uploads/orders/2020/EO_20-91-compressed.pdf)

- Requires all persons in Florida to limit their movements and personal interactions outside of their home to only those necessary to obtain or provide essential services or conduct essential activities.

- Guidance on what is deemed an essential service can be found here <https://www.cisa.gov/publication/guidance-essential-critical-infrastructure-workforce> and [Executive Order 20-89](#).
- Essential activities include attending religious services, participating in outdoor recreational activities (while practicing social distancing), taking care of pets and caring for a loved one or friend.

3/31/2020

Executive Order 20-90; Emergency Management – COVID-19 – Broward and Palm Beach County Closures (https://www.flgov.com/wp-content/uploads/orders/2020/EO_20-90.pdf)

- Directs Broward and Palm Beach County beaches to remain closed pursuant to Executive Order 20-68.
- The Broward County Administrator and the Palm Beach County Administrator shall have the ability to enforce, relax, modify or remove these beach closures, as warranted.

3/30/2020

Executive Order 20-89; Emergency Management – COVID-19 – Miami-Dade County, Broward County, Palm Beach County, Monroe County Public Access Restrictions (https://www.flgov.com/wp-content/uploads/orders/2020/EO_20-89.pdf)

- Orders Miami-Dade County, Broward County, Palm Beach County and Monroe County to restrict public access to businesses and facilities deemed non-essential.

Executive Order 20-88; Emergency Management – COVID-19 – Re-employment of Essential Personnel (https://www.flgov.com/wp-content/uploads/orders/2020/EO_20-88.pdf)

- Allows the re-employment or continued employment of certain state employees under the state retirement system if it assists the COVID-19 emergency response.
- Applies to employees in the following:
 - Law enforcement officers
 - First responders
 - Emergency management and public safety personnel
 - Health and medical professionals
 - Other critical COVID-19 response personnel as identified and determined by a state agency head

3/27/2020

Executive Order 20-87; Emergency Management – COVID-19 – Vacation Rental Closures (https://www.flgov.com/wp-content/uploads/orders/2020/EO_20-87.pdf)

- Orders all parties engaged in rental of vacation rental properties to suspend vacation rental operations. Vacation rentals are prohibited from making new reservations or bookings and shall not accept new guests for check-in for the duration of this order.
- Order expires on April 10, 2020 unless the Governor extends the order in a subsequent order.

Executive Order 20-86; Emergency Management – COVID-19 – Additional Requirements of Certain Individuals Traveling to Florida (https://www.flgov.com/wp-content/uploads/orders/2020/EO_20-86.pdf)

- Directs all persons who enter the State of Florida from an area with substantial community spread, to include the State of Louisiana, inclusive of those entering the State of Florida by roadways, to isolate or quarantine for a period of 14 days from the time of entry into the State of Florida or the duration of the person's presence in the State of Florida, whichever is shorter.

3/26/2020

Executive Order 20-85; Emergency Management – COVID-19 – Telehealth and Immunizations for State Group Insurance (https://www.flgov.com/wp-content/uploads/orders/2020/EO_20-85.pdf)

- Extends telehealth programs and immunizations to state employees without any additional costs to the employee.

3/24/2020

Executive Order 20-83; Emergency Management – COVID-19 – Protective Measures for Vulnerable Populations, Gatherings of Private Citizens and Density of the Workforce (https://www.flgov.com/wp-content/uploads/orders/2020/EO_20-83.pdf)

- Directs the State Surgeon General and State Health Officer to issue a public health advisory to all persons over 65 years of age urging, but not mandating, them to stay home and to take such other measures as necessary to limit their risk of exposure to COVID-19.

Executive Order 20-82 Emergency Management – COVID-19 – Isolation of Individuals Traveling to Florida (https://www.flgov.com/wp-content/uploads/orders/2020/EO_20-82.pdf)

- Directs all persons who enter the State of Florida from an area with substantial community spread, to include the New York Tri-State Area (Connecticut, New Jersey and New York), to isolate or quarantine for a period of 14 days from the time of entry into the State of Florida or the duration of the person's presence in the State of Florida, whichever is shorter.

3/23/2020

Executive Order 20-80; Emergency Management – COVID-19 – Airport Screening and Isolation (https://www.flgov.com/wp-content/uploads/orders/2020/EO_20-80.pdf)

- Directs all persons whose point of departure originates from outside the State of Florida in an area with substantial community spread, to include the New York Tri-State Area (Connecticut, New Jersey and New York), and entering the State of Florida through airports to isolate or quarantine for a period of 14 days from the time of entry into the State of Florida or the duration of the person's presence in the State of Florida, whichever is shorter.

3/20/2020

Executive Order 20-72; Emergency Management – COVID-19 – Non-essential Elective Medical Procedures (https://www.flgov.com/wp-content/uploads/orders/2020/EO_20-72.pdf)

- All hospitals, ambulatory surgical centers, office surgery centers, dental, orthodontic and endodontic offices, and other health care practitioners' offices in the state of Florida are prohibited from providing any medically unnecessary, non-urgent or non-emergency procedure or surgery which, if delayed, does not place a patient's immediate health, safety or wellbeing at risk, or will, if delayed, not contribute to the worsening of a serious or life-threatening medical condition.

Executive Order 20-71; Emergency Management – COVID-19 – Alcohol Sales, Restaurants, and Gyms (https://www.flgov.com/wp-content/uploads/orders/2020/EO_20-71.pdf)

- Restricts vendors to only sell alcohol in sealed containers to be consumed off-premises.
- Suspends all restaurants within the state of Florida from on-premise food consumption for customers. Kitchens may continue to operate for take-out and delivery services.
- Closes all gyms and fitness centers in Florida

Executive Order 20-70; Emergency Management – COVID-19 – Broward and Palm Beach County Closures (https://www.flgov.com/wp-content/uploads/orders/2020/EO_20-70.pdf)

- Orders all restaurants, bars, taverns, pubs, night clubs, banquet halls, cocktail lounges, cabarets, breweries, cafeterias and any other alcohol and/or food service business establishment with seating for more than ten people within Broward County and Palm Beach County to close on-premises service of customers.
- This order does not not apply to delivery services, pick-up or take out services.

Executive Order 20-69; Emergency Management – COVID-19 – Local Government Public Meetings (https://www.flgov.com/wp-content/uploads/orders/2020/EO_20-69.pdf)

- Suspends state requirements that local governmental bodies have a physical quorum and that those meetings be located in a specific public place and allows for the use of telephonic and video conferencing.
- The executive order does NOT waive any of the Florida Sunshine Laws.

3/17/2020

Executive Order 20-68; Emergency Management – COVID-19 regarding bars, beaches, and restaurants
(https://www.flgov.com/wp-content/uploads/orders/2020/EO_20-68.pdf)

- Requires bars, pubs and nightclubs that generate more than 50% of its gross revenue from the sale of alcohol to suspend the sale of alcohol for 30 days starting 3/17/2020.
- Limits individuals accessing public beaches to gatherings of 10 or fewer people.
- Requires restaurants to limit occupancy to 50% of current building occupancy, to keep a 6-foot distance between groups and limits groups of patrons to 10 individuals.

3/9/2020

Executive Order 20-52; Emergency Management – COVID-19 Public Health Emergency
(https://www.flgov.com/wp-content/uploads/orders/2020/EO_20-52.pdf)

- Declares a state of emergency exists within the State of Florida to access emergency resources and additional powers available during a state of emergency.
- Designates the Director of the Division of Emergency Management as the State Coordinating Officer and directs him to execute the state Comprehensive Emergency Plan
- Allows medical workers, social workers and counselors with valid licenses in good standing from other states to practice in Florida under the Red Cross or with the Florida Department of Health

3/1/2020

Executive Order 20-51; Establishes Coronavirus Response Protocol and Directs Public Health Emergency
(https://www.flgov.com/wp-content/uploads/orders/2020/EO_20-51.pdf)

- Directs State Health Officer and Surgeon General, Dr. Scott Rivkees, to declare a public health emergency in the State of Florida. Additionally, it directs the State Health Officer to follow the guidelines established by the CDC in establishing protocols to control the spread of COVID-19 and educate the public on prevention.
- Requires the Florida Department of Health to actively monitor, at a minimum, all persons meeting the definition of a Person Under Investigation ("PUI") as defined by the CDC for COVID-19 for a period of at least 14 days or until the PUI tests negative for COVID-19.