

PSATS Daily COVID-19 News

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Governor to Amend Crowd Size Orders

This morning at 10 am, the Governor and Secretary of Health will be announcing an amendment to the existing COVID-19 orders to allow for adjusted capacity to gathering limits. These changes will go into effect on Friday, October 9th, and will take into account a venue's occupancy limit when determining overall allowable capacity for both indoor and outdoor events and gatherings.

Pennsylvanians must continue to social distance and wear masks. Regardless of the size of an event or gathering, those things are still imperative to stopping the spread of COVID-19.

An event or gathering is defined as a temporary grouping of individuals for defined purposes that takes place over a limited timeframe, such as hours or days, including fairs, festivals, concerts, or shows and groupings that occur within larger, more permanent businesses, such as shows or performances within amusement parks, individual showings of movies, business meetings or conferences, or each party or reception within a multi-room venue. Groups of people who share space within a building in the ordinary course of operations, such as in an office building, classroom, production floor, or similar regularly occurring operation of a business or organization, are not events or gatherings. Venues must require attendees to comply with 6-foot social distancing requirements, to wear masks or face coverings, and to implement best practices such as timed entry, multiple entries and exit points, multiple restrooms, and hygiene stations. The adjusted capacity limits are listed in the table below.

Maximum Occupancy Calculator for indoor events:

Maximum Occupancy	Allowable Indoor Rate
0-2,000 people	20% of Maximum Occupancy
2,001 - 10,000 people	15% of Maximum Occupancy
Over 10,000 people	10% of Maximum Occupancy up to 3,750 people

Maximum Occupancy Calculator for outdoor events:

Maximum Occupancy	Allowable Outdoor Rate
0-2,000 people	25% of Maximum Occupancy
2,001 - 10,000 people	20% of Maximum Occupancy
Over 10,000 people	15% of Maximum Occupancy up to 7,500 people