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Clallam County approved for Phase 2 of Safe Start plan for COVID-19 Recovery

Residents and business owners urged to stay safe by following Phase 2 guidance

CLALLAM COUNTY, WA — Clallam County Health and Human Services received notification this afternoon that Washington State Secretary of Health John Wiesman approved Clallam County's request for [a variance](#) to move from Phase 1 to Phase 2 under the state's [Safe Start plan for COVID-19 recovery](#) beginning June 1st. **This means that Phase 2 eligible businesses will be able to open on Monday.**

Businesses and activities authorized under Phase 2 include ([full list here](#)):

- Hair and nail salons/barbers
- Restaurants and taverns (at 50% capacity)
- In-store retail (at 30% capacity)
- Remaining manufacturing
- Remaining construction
- In-home/domestic services
- Pet grooming
- Professional services/office-based businesses (telework still strongly encouraged)
- Real estate
- Indoor religious services (at 25% capacity, up to 50 people)
- Gatherings with up to five people from outside your household per week

Overnight camping will become allowable once the remainder of the state moves to Phase 2.

For businesses to reopen during Phase 2, they must follow their [industry-specific COVID-19 safety guidance](#) published by the Washington State Department of Health. If businesses have additional questions about how to reopen safely, they can contact the Clallam County Department of Environmental Health at (360) 417-2506.

“As we begin reopening, the lessons we have learned about how to protect ourselves and others from COVID-19 will become even more important,” noted Clallam County Health Officer Dr. Allison Berry Unthank. “We all must do our part to continue to protect our community by practicing safe physical distancing, staying home when we are sick, washing our hands frequently, and wearing cloth face coverings when physical distancing is not possible. We have accomplished great things together in this response and I know that we can continue to protect ourselves and our community as we move into this next phase”

For more information on COVID-19 and how to stay safe:

[Clallam County Coronavirus Information](#)

[Washington Department of Health COVID-19 Information](#)

Business Guidance and Resources

- [Governor's Safe Start Resources](#)

- [State Department of Health Sector-specific Guidance](#)
- [Washington State Department of Labor & Industries](#) for workplace safety issues