



# COVID-19 COMPLIANCE STRIKE FORCE TEAM

On July 1, 2020, Governor Gavin Newsom announced the establishment of a Covid-19 Compliance Strike Force Team consisting of representatives from several State agencies tasked with ensuring compliance with executive orders, mandates, and industry guidelines that were adopted, or mandated by the State of California and its various State agencies in order to curb the spread of Covid-19.

The Covid-19 Compliance Strike Force Team is tasked with targeting businesses and agencies that are not in compliance with State executive orders, mandates, and industry guidelines. The particular focus of the Strike Team will be "higher risk" work places such as bars, restaurants, personal care services, retail establishments, manufacturing businesses, supermarkets, food packing plants, meat packing plants, and other business sectors that are at the highest risk for exposing both employees and customers to the Covid-19 virus. Higher risk work places are those where individuals are in close contact with either other employees or with customers.

The Covid-19 Compliance Strike Force Team includes representatives from the California Highway Patrol; the Division of Occupational Safety and Health; Alcohol Beverage Control; Barbering & Cosmetology; Business Oversight; Consumer Affairs; Food and Agriculture; Labor Commissioner's Office; and the Governor's Office of Business and Economic Development.

The primary goal of the Strike Force Team is to inform and educate businesses and agencies that are not in compliance with State executive orders, mandates, and industry guidelines, and to help those businesses and agencies become compliant.

However, those businesses and agencies that refuse to correct noncompliance or those that wish not to comply with the State executive orders, mandates, and industry guidelines may receive fines and citations. Those businesses and agencies that are issued a State license (such as a license from the Alcohol Beverage Control or a Barbering & Cosmetology license) may also have their license suspended and revoked.