



GUIDANCE FOR STATE COLOR TIER SYSTEM

RED TIER: SUBSTANTIAL

What WILL Change

Sonoma County will be eligible to move into the Red Tier “Substantial” on California’s Color Tier System **Sunday, March 14, 2021**. The following will change once in the Red Tier:



Restaurants can operate indoors with 25% capacity or 100 people, whichever is fewer



Movie Theaters can operate indoors with 25% capacity or 100 people, whichever is fewer



Museums, Zoos, and Aquariums can operate indoors with 25% capacity



Gyms can operate indoors with 10% capacity



Retail stores (clothing, books, jewelry, etc.) may open at a maximum 50% capacity



Grocery stores may operate indoors at a 100% capacity

What you NEED to know

- Where the State sets an indoor capacity percentage limit in the red tier, then the **total indoor capacity can be determined by using the posted fire maximum capacity limit and ability of individuals from different households to be able to maintain social distancing**. Where there is no posted fire maximum capacity limit, then contact your local fire protection district.
- **The County could move back into the Purple Tier** if all three metrics (daily case rate, overall positivity rate, and health equity positivity rate) fall within the purple tier metric for two consecutive weeks.
- A county can only move forward **one tier at a time**, even if metrics qualify for a more advanced tier
- **County of Sonoma is in alignment with State Public Health Orders**, but may restrict County Public Health Orders if needed

Update Safety Plan

Update required **Appendix A Safety Plan** to reflect modifications. View full Appendix A requirements at [SoCoLaunch.org](https://www.socolaunch.org)

*For businesses located in an incorporated city, **check with your city for compliance guidelines and permits needed** for reopening and expanding services.*

For a **complete list of local and state guidelines**, view the resources below: